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JULY 7, 2026

Ensuring Ongoing Commitment and Accountability for Los Palos Incident

As the impacts from the June 17, 2026, fire at the Lineage Logistics (Lineage) facility at 1400 S. Los Palos St. continues to be felt by residents, it is imperative that the necessary support, resources, and assistance be provided to impacted community members to safeguard public health and wellbeing. Although the main fire has been put out, a significant amount of debris remains in the facility that needs to be cleared out, including rotting meat and other food byproducts that can present a public health risk to surrounding communities, including unincorporated East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, and western Commerce, if not disposed of quickly and appropriately.

The County continues to cooperate with the City of Los Angeles, who has activated its emergency response for Boyle Heights. But for unincorporated East Los Angeles, the community in the coverage area with the largest impacted population, the County is the local governmental jurisdiction that residents look to for response. To support unincorporated East Los Angeles residents, the First District has partnered with County departments, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), and community-based organizations (CBOs) to offer resources and health screenings. This includes establishing the Los Angeles County Community Resiliency Center at the East Los

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Angeles Civic Center, as well as other ongoing sites at Our Lady of Victory Church and Salazar Park. This is in addition to other sites that were activated at Belvedere Park, City Terrace Park, and Saybrook Park. Across these locations, over 9,000 air purifiers, food boxes, water crates, and N95 masks have been distributed, in addition to linkages to County department resources. These have come at significant cost to the County, the First District, and several County departments. These costs will continue to accrue as the level of need in the community is compounded by evolving conditions on the ground that continue to adversely impact residents.

The operator of the facility, Lineage, has stated that it is “committed to this community during this recovery, and beyond.” It is imperative that those words are supported with concrete action and partnership, with Lineage providing the needed resources to support the County’s recovery efforts throughout the response. Although there are several parties involved, the local jurisdictions are looking to Lineage to coordinate and provide a response. Absent a clear commitment from Lineage to provide continued financial and logistical support to the community and the County's efforts to provide support at critical community locations, including the Los Angeles County Community Resiliency Center, the community remains at risk.

Meanwhile, concerns remain in the community regarding impacts on health, water quality, and air quality. At the same time, local businesses continue to experience detrimental impacts, as well as workers in the community. Questions remain regarding housing for impacted residents, how smoke and toxins will be remediated, ongoing

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support for needed long-term health monitoring and response, critical support from CBOs, clarity on the cleanup plan – including demolition and hauling activities and routes, the means by which claims will be expediently processed, and required monitoring to ensure community health and wellbeing long-term.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors send a five-signature letter, drafted by County Counsel, to Lineage requesting a response in writing within 48 hours addressing the County's requests and concerns to ensure ongoing support for impacted residents, including but not limited to:

- Commitments for ongoing resources and financial support to sustain critical County community response centers, including but not limited to food, water, N95 masks, and air purifiers, in addition to resources and services from County Departments, to support locations at the Los Angeles County Community Resiliency Center, the Our Lady of Victory Church, and Salazar Park.
- Support for essential community responses, including:
 - Immediate, temporary housing for Boyle Heights and East Los Angeles residents impacted by the recent fire;
 - Long-term housing assistance for impacted residents and their pets and service animals for the duration of the remediation efforts;
 - A smoke and toxin remediation program at no cost to renters, homeowners, and business owners;
 - Funding for community health clinics and County health services involved

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- in the ongoing community response;
- Financial support for community-based organizations supporting residents and local businesses;
- Creating a dedicated multilingual hotline and claims center; and
- Participation in community meetings to directly inform and receive feedback from impacted residents and businesses.
- Comprehensive plans to address the following:
 - Material removal schedule with phase milestones for full interior clearance;
 - A daily manifest of all materials to be removed, including proposed disposal destination and decontamination plans;
 - Odor and vector control plans that mitigate public health impacts to surrounding neighborhoods;
 - Fire water runoff management, including testing results published daily;
 - Air quality monitoring during demolition and hauling operations with real-time data reported to South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), published and analyzed daily;
 - Removal of hazardous materials, including but not limited to asbestos, lithium batteries, and mold;
 - Identification of certified waste haulers, biohazard disposal contractors, and environmental remediation firms;

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- Retention of a certified industrial hygienist or licensed environmental professional of record responsible for site oversight; and
- Publishing of designated operating hours and daily number of truck hauls that minimize impacts on the surrounding community, with advanced notification of any significant changes.

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