
Please protect the RHNA process

1 message

From: Isaac Gendler <isaacgendler@everyactionadvocacy.com>
To: cityclerk@lacity.org
At: Tue, Aug 25, 2020 at 6:44 AM

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To: cityclerk@lacity.org
At: Mon, Aug 24, 2020 at 9:52 PM

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