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1           [There is no reportable action as a result of the  
2           Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING LADIES AND  
7 GENTLEMEN. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED SESSION  
8 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS  
9 TUESDAY, JULY THE 23RD. WE TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT OUR  
10 SERGEANT AT ARMS, PAUL KOBLENZ IS PRESENT AND PREPARED TO  
11 SERVE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, OUR COUNTY  
12 COUNSEL TODAY IS RICK WEISS. OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS IN  
13 PLACE. WE HAVE CONSTITUTIONAL QUORUM WITH THE PRESENCE OF BOTH  
14 SUPERVISORS YAROSLAVSKY AND MOLINA. OUR INVOCATION THIS  
15 MORNING WILL BE RENDERED BY THE REVEREND YOUNG HEE CHUNG, OF  
16 THE WILSHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT THE INVITATION OF THE  
17 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND OUR PLEDGE VETERAN IS DANIEL ORTIZ,  
18 LIFE MEMBER OF POST NUMBER 4696 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF  
19 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT THE INVITATION OF SUPERVISOR  
20 GLORIA MOLINA. IF YOU'D BE KIND ENOUGH TO RISE FOR THIS  
21 MORNING'S INVOCATION. PASTOR?

22

23   **REV. YOUNG HEE CHUNG:** LET US PRAY. LOVING AND GRACIOUS GOD, WE  
24 THANK YOU FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL DAY WHERE OUR LEADERS HAVE  
25 GATHERED HERE TO DISCUSS ISSUES AFFECTING OUR COMMUNITIES.



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1 THIS MORNING I ASK YOU TO SEND US YOUR SPIRIT OF TRUTH SO THAT  
2 WE MAY BE RENEWED AS FAITHFUL WATCHMEN AND LEADERS OF THIS  
3 COUNTRY, STATE, AND CITY. PLEASE OPEN OUR HEART THAT WE MAY  
4 DISCERN WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE. THROUGH THIS MEETING MAY WE  
5 EFFECTIVELY SERVE PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING JUSTICE AND PEACE IN  
6 THIS TIME OF INJUSTICE AND CONFUSION. BLESS ALL OF US WITH  
7 YOUR HEAVENLY WISDOM AND POWER SO THAT WE MAY BE COURAGEOUS  
8 AND STRONG IN CONFRONTING OUR DIFFERENCES AS WE STRIVE TO DO  
9 WHAT IS BEST FOR THE COMMON GOOD FOR ALL. WE PRAY THESE THINGS  
10 IN YOUR MIGHTY NAME, AMEN.

11

12 **DANIEL ORTIZ:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE  
13 OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR NATION. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE  
16 DELIGHTED TO HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING PASTOR CHUNG, WHO IS A  
17 SENIOR PASTOR OF THE WILSHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WHERE HE  
18 HAS LED THE CHURCH'S DIVERSE CONGREGATION SINCE 2008. UNDER  
19 HIS LEADERSHIP, WILSHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HAS  
20 STRENGTHENED ITS OUTREACH EFFORTS, WHICH INCLUDES SERVICES IN  
21 ENGLISH, KOREAN AND SPANISH. IT ALSO HAS A VERY VIBRANT  
22 FILIPINO MINISTRY. THE CHURCH HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED  
23 AS A HISTORICAL MONUMENT BY THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL. AND  
24 THROUGH MANY LANGUAGES, A LOT GOES ON AT THE CHURCH. BUT  
25 WILSHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HAS A MISSION OF SERVICE,



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1 COMPASSION, FELLOWSHIP AND FOR MANY IS COMMON GROUND. PRIOR TO  
2 JOINING WILSHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, PASTOR CHUNG SERVED  
3 AT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES IN VAN NUYS, LOS FELIZ, AND  
4 HAWAII. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S OF THEOLOGY  
5 DEGREES IN KOREA HIS NATIVE LAND AND AFTER RELOCATING TO  
6 CALIFORNIA EARNED HIS MASTER OF DIVINITY AND DOCTOR OF  
7 MINISTRY DEGREES FROM THE CLAIREMONT THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL. HE  
8 AND HIS WIFE ARE THE PROUD PARENTS OF ONE DAUGHTER, ANNIE, A  
9 GRADUATE OF CAL, CAL IN THE HOUSE. AND SO PASTOR CHUNG  
10 RECENTLY REMINDED HIS CHURCH COMMUNITY TO VALUE THE SMALL  
11 THINGS IN LIFE SAYING "EVEN THOUGH OUR SCHEDULES MAY TEMPT US  
12 TO HURRY AND TO WORRY, LET US TAKE A MOMENT TO SOAK IN THE  
13 GIFTS OF TODAY," END QUOTE. SO, PASTOR CHUNG, WE THANK YOU FOR  
14 THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION AND FOR REMINDING US OF A LESSON  
15 THAT WE SHOULD ALL TAKE TO HEART, THAT TODAY IS THE MOST  
16 PRECIOUS GIFT THAT WE HAVE BEEN AFFORDED. SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF  
17 THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT WE EXTEND TO YOU THIS  
18 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AND WISH YOU GODSPEED. [APPLAUSE.]  
19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, PLEASE.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. MY CERTIFICATE  
22 OF APPRECIATION TO DANIEL ORTIZ. HE IS REPRESENTING LOS  
23 ANGELES POST 4696 OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. MR. ORTIZ  
24 HAS SERVED AS A SPECIALIST IN THE 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION OF  
25 THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1990 TO 1993. HE BRAVELY SERVED



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1 DURING OPERATION DESERT STORM AND HIS COMMENDATIONS INCLUDE A  
2 COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE, A SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE RIBBON AS WELL  
3 AS, AND A NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. WE WANT TO EXTEND  
4 OUR GRATITUDE TO MR. ORTIZ FOR HIS HONORABLE MILITARY SERVICE  
5 AND MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR SERVING OUR COUNTRY. THANK YOU SO  
6 MUCH FOR JOINING US THIS MORNING. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.

7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR  
10 MOLINA. GOOD MORNING, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. IF YOU'D PLEASE  
11 CALL THE AGENDA.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN,  
14 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTERS. ON  
15 ITEM S-1, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE SET  
16 ITEM HAS BEEN SET FROM 12:30 P.M. TO 11 O'CLOCK A.M. ON ITEM  
17 S-2, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE SET TIME ON  
18 THIS HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM 1:00 P.N. TO 11:30 A.M. ON PAGE  
19 THREE PUBLIC HEARINGS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6. ON ITEM NUMBER 5 AS  
20 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED  
21 ONE MONTH TO AUGUST 27, 2013 TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO MEET  
22 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC  
23 HEARING WILL BE HELD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE SIX,  
24 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE REMAINDER



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1 OF THE AGENDA, ALL ITEMS WILL BE HELD WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF  
2 8, 11 AND 12. THOSE THREE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
5 MOLINA MOVES. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SECONDS. SEEING NO  
6 OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THAT INCLUDES ITEM CS-1 AS  
9 WELL WHICH WILL BE HELD FOR A NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.  
10 AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF  
11 SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
12 NUMBER 4.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
15 WE WILL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. AND IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FOURTH  
16 DISTRICT THAT WILL BE HERE SOON, I'M GOING TO CALL SUPERVISOR  
17 YAROSLAVSKY FOR HIS PRESENTATIONS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK JERRY POWERS TO JOIN ME. I  
20 WANT TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION IN COMMEMORATION OF PROBATION  
21 SERVICES WEEK. PROBATION SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK. THE  
22 PROBATION DEPARTMENT PLAYS AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN THE LOCAL  
23 JUSTICE SYSTEM BY SUPERVISING ADULT AND JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN  
24 THE COMMUNITY, DEDICATED TO REALIZING ITS VISION TO REBUILD  
25 LIVES AND PROVIDE FOR HEALTHIER AND SAFER COMMUNITIES.



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1 PROBATION OFFICERS ARE TRAINED PROFESSIONALS WHO PROVIDE  
2 SERVICES AND REFERRALS FOR OFFENDERS AND WORK IN PARTNERSHIP  
3 WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES AND GROUPS UPHOLDING THE LAW WITH  
4 DIGNITY WHILE RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO BE SAFE,  
5 SAFEGUARDED FROM CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. PROBATION PROFESSIONALS  
6 PROMOTE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND ADVOCACY THROUGH SUPPORT  
7 SERVICES AND PROTECTION FOR VICTIMS, ADVOCATING FOR COMMUNITY  
8 AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND AT THEIR BEST ARE A TRUE FORCE FOR  
9 POSITIVE CHANGE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
10 WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DECLARE THE WEEK OF JULY  
11 21ST-27TH, 2013 AS PROBATION SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK  
12 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT ALL RESIDENTS  
13 ARE ENCOURAGED TO HONOR THESE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS  
14 PROFESSIONALS AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS. JERRY  
15 POWERS, OUR CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS  
16 TO YOU. I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS. INTRODUCE YOUR  
17 COLLEAGUES.

18

19 **JERRY POWERS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THE REST OF THE BOARD  
20 FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THIS WEEK AS PROBATION SERVICES WEEK. I'D  
21 LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY TWO ASSISTANT CHIEFS MARGARITA PEREZ,  
22 ASSISTANT CHIEF FOR FIELD SERVICES AND DON MEYER ASSISTANT  
23 CHIEF FOR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES. ON BEHALF OF THE  
24 APPROXIMATELY 6,500 PROBATION DEPARTMENT PROFESSIONAL  
25 EMPLOYEES, I WANT TO ACCEPT THIS SCROLL AND THANK YOUR BOARD



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1 FOR THE SUPPORT AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT FOR WHAT PROBATION DOES.  
2 IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT JOB. WE PROVIDE SERVICES TO A  
3 SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF OUR COUNTY TO ENHANCE THE PUBLIC SAFETY  
4 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE DO IT WITH INTEGRITY. WE DO IT WITH  
5 PROFESSIONALISM. AND WE DO IT EVERY DAY, DAY IN AND DAY OUT.  
6 SO ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE IN THE DEPARTMENT, ON BEHALF OF MY  
7 MANAGEMENT TEAM, I WANT TO THANK THE EMPLOYEES WHO COME TO  
8 WORK EVERY DAY AND DO THIS DIFFICULT JOB. AND, AGAIN, THANKS  
9 TO THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING US. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR  
12 YAROSLAVSKY. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT. LET'S THEN  
13 PROCEED TO THE ITEMS BEFORE US. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IF  
14 YOU WOULD CALL ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TESTIFY ON THE  
15 ITEMS THAT THEY HELD, CORRECT? THAT IS THE PUBLIC HEARING  
16 ITEMS.

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WILL BEGIN WITH  
19 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS TODAY 1-6. ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY  
20 BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE  
21 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO  
22 YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND  
23 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE  
24 SEATED. WE BEGIN WITH ITEM NUMBER 1. THIS IS THE HEARING ON  
25 THE ANNEXATION OF THE FOLLOWING TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION



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1 TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND  
2 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT 1  
3 UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND THE LEVYING OF AN ANNUAL BASED  
4 ASSESSMENT FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME OF FIVE DOLLARS FOR THE  
5 UNINCORPORATED ZONES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15. THERE IS A  
6 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.  
7 AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON  
8 THIS ITEM.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD SACHS, FOLLOWED BY THE  
11 PRESENTATION OF STAFF. SIR?

12

13 **JAMES CHUNG:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. MY  
14 NAME IS JAMES CHUNG AND I'M SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE  
15 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE  
16 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE  
17 DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT L. L.A.-1  
18 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF  
19 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SUBDIVISIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD  
20 LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF WEST  
21 ATHENS, AGOURA HILLS, HACIENDA HEIGHTS, ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND  
22 CASTAIC. IN MY OPINION, THESE SUBDIVISIONS WILL BE BENEFITED  
23 BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE  
24 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN IMPORTANT PORTION TO  
25 BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE



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1 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT  
2 TAXING AGENCIES.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR REPORT. WE'LL  
5 NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE NOTE THE NAME OF  
6 ARNOLD SACHS.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, SIR, AND THE REST  
9 OF THE BOARD. JUST QUICKLY TO HOPEFULLY EDUCATE SOME OF THE  
10 PUBLIC, THE ASSESSMENT THAT'S BEING CHARGED HERE, IT SAYS AN  
11 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT. SO DOES THAT MEAN IT'S JUST FIVE DOLLARS  
12 YEARLY? OR WOULD THAT BE A FIVE DOLLAR MONTHLY ASSESSMENT? AND  
13 WHEN THEY DO THE STREET LIGHTING, DOES THAT IN AND OF ITSELF  
14 MAKE THE PROPERTY AN IMPROVED PROPERTY? DOES THE PROPERTY  
15 VALUE INCREASE BECAUSE OF THE STREET LIGHTING AND BECAUSE  
16 PROPERTY VALUE IS AN INCREASE, DOES THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE?  
17 AND WOULD THE ASSESSMENT BE IN ADDITION? IF IT'S A NEW  
18 PROPERTY TAX, WOULD THAT BE IN ADDITION TO THE ASSESSMENT?  
19 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WITH PROP 13, THERE'S A LOOPHOLE THAT  
20 ALLOWS CORPORATIONS THAT DON'T HAVE A 50 PERCENT OWNERSHIP OR  
21 MAJORITY OWNERSHIP IN A PROPERTY NOT TO PAY AN INCREASE IN  
22 PROPERTY VALUE. THE PROPERTY TAX REMAINS THE SAME EVEN IF THE  
23 AREA IS IMPROVED BECAUSE THERE IS NO MAJORITY OWNER AS  
24 OCCURRED LIKE WITH DODGER STADIUM AND THE STAPLES CENTER, THE  
25 L.A. LIVE ARENA. OUT OF CURIOSITY, AS A MATTER OF FACT, THERE



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1 WAS A STORY IN THE EASY READER, WHICH IS A LOCAL NEWSPAPER,  
2 AND THEY WERE DISCUSSING HOW EL SEGUNDO'S PROPERTY TAX IS  
3 TWELVE CENTS. NO, ACTUALLY EIGHT CENTS. AND SOME OF THE CITIES  
4 IN THE SOUTH PAY THE AVERAGE OF TWELVE CENTS. AND IN THE CITY  
5 OF LOS ANGELES, IT'S 22 CENTS. THE CITY GETS 22 CENTS ON A  
6 DOLLAR. SO HOW WOULD THAT BE FIGURED INTO AN ASSESSMENT?  
7 AGAIN, WITH THE IMPROVEMENT MADE TO THE PROPERTY BY THE  
8 LIGHTING, DOES THE PROPERTY VALUE INCREASE THEREFORE INCREASE  
9 PROPERTY TAX? OR DOES THE IMPROVEMENT NOT AFFECT THE VALUE OF  
10 THE PROPERTY THEREFORE THERE IS NO INCREASE IN THE PROPERTY  
11 TAX? THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC, THE  
12 UNINFORMED PUBLIC.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, THAT CLOSES THE  
15 PUBLIC HEARING. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
16 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO  
17 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS  
18 AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION  
19 RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE THE ORDER WITHOUT  
22 OBJECTION. NEXT ITEM, PLEASE.

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NUMBER 2, THIS  
25 IS THE HEARING ON INTENTION TO EXERCISE THE OPTION AND



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1 AUTHORIZE THE CONSUMATION OF THE PURCHASE OF PARK IMPROVEMENTS  
2 AT GRAND PARK FORMERLY KNOWN AS CIVIC PARK PROJECT LOCATED IN  
3 THE LOS ANGELES CIVIC CENTER FROM GRAND AVENUE PARK  
4 DEVELOPMENT L.L.C. FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF TWO DOLLARS. NO  
5 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT WILL BE MADE. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
6 RECEIVED. AND I BELIEVE THERE'S A SPEAKER ON THIS MATTER.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM NUMBER 2, WE HAVE TWO  
9 SPEAKERS. THEY ARE ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS. GENTLEMEN, IF  
10 YOU WOULD COME FORWARD?

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ERIC PREVEN,  
13 THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I FEEL I SHOULD NOTE  
14 THAT NEITHER SUPERVISOR KNABE OR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ARE  
15 HERE, WHICH IS FINE, I DON'T THINK THIS IS A FOUR VOTER SO I  
16 THINK WE'RE IN GREAT SHAPE. GRAND PARK IS A CELEBRATION OF  
17 CIVIC PRIDE AND WE ALL, THANKS TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHO IS ON  
18 THE TELEPHONE AT THE MOMENT, BUT ORDINARILY SHE WOULD BE A BIG  
19 SUPPORTER OF GRAND PARK. I THINK WE ALL REMEMBER THE LENGTHY  
20 HEARINGS WE HAD IN THIS ROOM, IN FACT, FOR THE PRICE TO CHARGE  
21 FOR FILMING IN GRAND PARK. WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON THAT,  
22 MORE THAN ON SOME OTHER PRESSING MATTERS. BUT IT WAS VERY,  
23 VERY GOOD BECAUSE IT SHOWS THAT WE ALL VALUE THIS SPECTACULAR  
24 CIVIC SPACE OUT BACK. I HAVE NOTED THAT OVER TIME, MAYOR  
25 ANTONOVICH HAS BEEN MONITORING THE STARBUCKS DEAL. I DON'T



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1 KNOW WHAT THE UPSHOT OF THAT WAS. HE PERIODICALLY WILL RATTLE  
2 THAT CAGE AND QUESTION WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE PAYING ENOUGH  
3 RENT, IT'S NOT CLEAR. BUT THIS IS AN ITEM WHEREBY THE COUNTY  
4 IS GOING TO PURCHASE FOR TWO DOLLARS, THAT'S FOR BOTH PHASES  
5 IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE BY A GROUP CALLED GRAND PARK  
6 L.L.C. I BELIEVE OR IT'S ACTUALLY CALLED GRAND AVENUE PARK  
7 DEVELOPMENT, L.L.C. AND THIS SEEMS EXCELLENT BECAUSE WHAT IT'S  
8 GOING TO DO, AS THE ITEM DESCRIBES, IS SAVE US 150,000 DOLLARS  
9 A YEAR IN RENT FOR THOSE IMPROVEMENTS FROM THIS GROUP, THIS  
10 L.L.C. NOW, I'M SURE -- AND THE PUBLIC IS VERY PLEASED THAT WE  
11 ARE DOING THIS FOR SOME REASON. I ASKED SOMEBODY IN THE  
12 C.E.O.'S REAL ESTATE DIVISION AS TO WHAT THE BENEFIT IS; I'M  
13 ASSUMING IT IS A BENEFIT FOR BOTH SIDES. WHERE THE L.L.C.  
14 DOESN'T PAY SOME TAX OR SOMETHING AND THE COUNTY ENJOYS THIS  
15 TERRIFIC TWO DOLLAR ACQUISITION IN LIEU OF A RENTAL THAT WOULD  
16 APPARENTLY MAKE SOME SENSE. BUT IT WAS CONFUSING FOR ME TO  
17 FOLLOW. NONETHELESS, GRAND PARK IS HERE TO STAY. WE'RE VERY  
18 PLEASED THAT THIS BOARD CONTINUES TO FIGHT FOR CIVIC SPACES IN  
19 OUR COMMUNITY. THERE IS JUST ONE QUESTION REGARDING THE PARKS  
20 AND REC DIMENSION GOING FORWARD, WHICH IS THAT A LOT OF  
21 REVENUE THAT THE PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT IS GIVING UP, IN A  
22 SENSE, TO SOME OF THEIR GOLF COURSE LESSEES SHOULD BE LOOKED  
23 AT. THERE WAS AN ITEM THAT MS. WATANABE PUBLISHED A COUPLE  
24 WEEKS AGO ABOUT THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE PROFIT AND LOSS  
25 STATEMENTS BY THESE LESSEES TO MANAGE OUR GOLF COURSES, THAT'S



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1 A BIG NO-NO. WE NEED TO RESET THAT AND HAVE PROPER COMPETITIVE  
2 BIDDING SO THAT MONEY THAT WOULD BE DUE TO THE COUNTY IN THE  
3 FORM OF REVENUE CAN BE PROPERLY APPLIED TO PARKS AND REC,  
4 ESPECIALLY AT A TIME WHEN RE-ALIGNMENT IS SO PRESSING AND  
5 WE'RE DESPERATE TO IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITIES WHERE EVER WE CAN.  
6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND INTEREST.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS.  
11 DIFFERENT SIDE OF THE COIN HERE BECAUSE MY CONCERN IS THAT THE  
12 GRAND AVENUE PARK WAS A SCAM TO ALLOW RELATED COMPANIES, THE  
13 ORIGINAL DEVELOPER, NOT TO PAY ANY OF THE FEES, THE PENALTY  
14 FEES, BECAUSE THEY NEVER DEVELOPED THE PROJECT THAT THEY WERE  
15 SUPPOSED TO HAVE STARTED A OR B BECAUSE OF ECONOMIC THIS OR  
16 THAT. BUT THEY ALWAYS MANAGE TO FIND A WAY TO BUY MORE  
17 PROPERTY DURING THE ECONOMIC DOWNFALL. THEY BOUGHT SOME  
18 PROPERTY JUST SOUTH OF GRAND PARK. IF YOU ARE READING, THEY  
19 ARE READY TO DEVELOP SOME PROPERTY IN SANTA MONICA. SO THEY  
20 MUST HAVE PURCHASED THAT PROPERTY. WHAT'S EVEN MORE AMAZING  
21 IS, AGAIN, THE SPEAKER BROUGHT UP THE FACT THAT YOU WERE  
22 NEGOTIATING RENTAL FEES FOR FILM COMPANIES WHEN YOU DIDN'T OWN  
23 THE PROPERTY! HOW COULD THAT BE? YOU'RE LEASING THE PROPERTY  
24 FOR TWO DOLLARS AND YOU'RE NEGOTIATING RENTAL FEES. DO YOU  
25 HAVE A RIGHT TO BE A SUBLEASER? HOW CAN YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY



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1 TO NEGOTIATE RENTAL FEES WHEN YOU DON'T OWN THE PROPERTY? AND  
2 IN A RELATED CASE, TO RELATED COMPANIES, NOW THAT YOU OWN THE  
3 IMPROVEMENTS, ARE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LIABILITIES? OR IS  
4 THERE SOME KIND OF AGREEMENT THAT WOULD OCCUR IF SOMETHING  
5 SHOULD -- SOMEBODY SHOULD BE HURT? NOW THE COUNTY OWNS THE  
6 PROPERTY AND THE LIABILITIES THAT GO ALONG WITH IT. SO IS  
7 THERE INSURANCE TO COVER THOSE LIABILITIES? AND, AGAIN, THE  
8 FACT THAT THIS PARK WAS DEVELOPED FOR 50 MILLION DOLLARS, GIVE  
9 OR TAKE A COUPLE OF DOLLARS, HOW DOES THAT EQUATE TO THE  
10 AMOUNT OF PENALTIES -- AND NOT JUST PENALTY PENALTIES, BUT  
11 BECAUSE OF THE APARTMENTS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN -- OR THE  
12 APARTMENTS, THE CONDOMINIUMS OR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL THAT  
13 WOULD HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED ALONG WITH THE PROJECT RELATED, IT  
14 WOULD HAVE BEEN SOME KIND OF QUIMBY FEES. THE COUNTY DOES GET  
15 QUIMBY FEES FOR PROJECTS THAT ARE DEVELOPED, HOUSING PROJECTS,  
16 WHETHER THEY'RE CONDOMINIUMS OR NOT, IN THIS CASE, AS THEY  
17 SAID, AFFORDABLE CONDOMINIUMS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WHICH IS  
18 A BIG PLUS TO LOW INCOME PEOPLE, DO THEY PAY QUIMBY FEES? OR  
19 DO THEY STILL PAY QUIMBY FEES ON TOP OF THE PARK DEVELOPMENT?  
20 AND IF THESE WOULD HAVE BEEN QUIMBY FEES, THEY COULD HAVE BEEN  
21 USED FOR THE PARK THAT'S LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF SECOND AND  
22 MAIN WHICH SURROUNDS THE NEW L.A.P.D. HEADQUARTERS, WHICH IS  
23 TURNING INTO A GOLF COURSE IN AND OF ITSELF, MOSTLY DIVOTS. SO  
24 CONGRATULATIONS BELATEDLY ALTHOUGH I DON'T REALLY MEAN IT ON



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1 THIS DEVELOPMENT AND THE ABILITY TO SCAM THE PUBLIC OUT OF  
2 PROBABLY 100 MILLION DOLLARS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU TO  
7 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 3, THIS IS THE  
12 HEARING ON CONFIRMATION OF FISCAL YEAR TO 2012-2013 HAZARDOUS  
13 VEGETATION WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES TO BE TO ASSESSED TO OWNERS  
14 OF DESIGNATED PARCELS OF LAND AND OWNERS OF IMPROVED PARCELS.  
15 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
16 RECEIVED AND THERE IS A PUBLIC SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. YOU ARE  
21 SHORTCHANGING YOURSELF, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. IT'S OWNERS  
22 OF DESIGNATED PARCELS OF LAND AND OWNERS OF IMPROVED PARCELS  
23 RESPECTIVELY. SO THAT MEANS ESSENTIALLY TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF  
24 LAND: DESIGNATED PARCELS OF LAND AND IMPROVED PARCELS. SO,  
25 AGAIN WE COME BACK TO SITUATION WITH PROP 13 WHERE IT'S AN



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1 IMPROVED PARCEL. DOES THAT AFFECT THE TAX, THE PROPERTY TAX  
2 VERSUS A DESIGNATED PARCEL THAT WOULD NOT AFFECT THE PROPERTY  
3 TAX? AND AGAIN WE RELATE TO, I LOVE THAT NAME, CORPORATIONS  
4 THAT OWN PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY, LIKE METRO. BUT WE'RE NOT  
5 GOING TO GO THERE. BUT LIKE THE CORPORATION THAT BOUGHT THE  
6 DODGERS FOR, THEY CLAIM THE SALE WAS OVER A BILLION DOLLARS.  
7 SO DOES THAT MEAN THE PROPERTY HAS A NEW VALUE TO IT? DOES  
8 THAT MEAN THE PROPERTY TAX IS ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY? WELL NOT  
9 NECESSARILY. BECAUSE THERE'S NO 51 PERCENT OWNER. SO IN THIS  
10 SITUATION WITH THESE IMPROVED PARCELS AND THESE DESIGNATED  
11 PARCELS, THE COSTS CAN GO UP FOR PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE  
12 PUBLIC, BUT IT'S ALL RELATIVE TO WHAT YOU PAY IN TAXES. AND IF  
13 YOU'RE A HUGE CORPORATION LIKE PEOPLE THAT BOUGHT THE DODGERS  
14 OR A.E.G., YOU'RE GETTING THE BENEFIT OF A PROPERTY THAT'S  
15 ASSESSED AT A HIGHER VALUE, A PROPERTY TAX THAT'S ASSESSED AT  
16 THE VALUE THAT YOU BOUGHT IT AT, THAT'S A BIG DIFFERENCE. THAT  
17 MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE IN WHO PAYS FOR THE SERVICES THAT ARE  
18 PROVIDED. AND IT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE ON SERVICES THAT CAN  
19 BE PROVIDED BECAUSE OF THE SHORTAGE OF PROPERTY TAX THAT'S  
20 COLLECTED. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU TO CLOSE  
25 THE PUBLIC HEARING.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE WITHOUT OBJECTION. THAT  
3 WILL BE THE ORDER.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THIS IS THE  
6 HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE  
7 TITLE 15, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC RELATING TO THE RESTRICTION OF  
8 PARKING VEHICLES ON CERTAIN COUNTY STREETS FOR THE PRIMARY  
9 PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING SUCH VEHICLES FOR SALE. IN THIS ITEM,  
10 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
11 RECEIVED AND THERE IS ONE SPEAKER ON IT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, MA'AM.

14

15 **MARY REYES:** MY NAME IS MARY REYES AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL  
16 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH  
17 THE ISSUES WITH THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION  
18 15.64.341 OF TITLE 15 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC OF THE LOS ANGELES  
19 COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE PROHIBITING OF PARKING OF VEHICLES  
20 FOR SALE ON CERTAIN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STREETS AND NUMEROUS  
21 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THE COUNTY HAS EXPERIENCED A  
22 PROLIFERATION OF USED VEHICLES BEING PARKED OR LEFT IDLE ON  
23 PUBLIC STREETS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING OR DISPLAYING  
24 SUCH VEHICLES FOR SALE RESULTING IN A NEGATIVE IMPACT IN THE  
25 COUNTY, ITS RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES. CALIFORNIA COURTS HAVE



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1 RULED THAT A CITY OR COUNTY MAY REASONABLY REGULATE THE TIME,  
2 PLACE AND MANNER IN WHICH ITS PUBLIC STREETS ARE USED FOR THE  
3 SALE OF VEHICLES. CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE ENACTED SECTION  
4 22651.9 OF THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE AUTHORIZING THE CITIES  
5 AND COUNTIES TO REMOVE AND IMPOUND VEHICLES WITH FOR SALE  
6 SIGNS FROM DESIGNATED STREETS OR PUBLIC LANDS. THE PROPOSED  
7 ORDINANCE AMENDS SECTION 15.64.341 WHICH IDENTIFIES THE  
8 LOCATIONS WHERE VEHICLES PARKING UNDER THE ORDINANCE IS  
9 PROHIBITED. THE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ADDS ADDITIONAL SEGMENTS  
10 THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AS  
11 BEING IMPACTED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE CONDITIONS DESCRIBED IN  
12 SECTION 15.64.341 OF THE COUNTY CODE. THIS AMENDMENT ALSO  
13 DELETES CERTAIN SEGMENTS FROM WHICH PUBLIC WORKS HAS FOUND NO  
14 LONGER MEET THE CRITERIA OF THE ORDINANCE FOR THESE  
15 RESTRICTIONS. PUBLIC WORKS RECOMMENDS ADOPTION OF THIS  
16 ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT  
21 BECAUSE BASICALLY VERY QUICKLY WITH THIS QUESTION -- BY THE  
22 WAY, ARNOLD SACHS. HOW DO YOU FALL OUT OF FAVOR? HOW DOES  
23 PUBLIC WORKS MANAGE TO DELETE STREETS THAT HAVE BEEN THE BELL  
24 RINGERS FOR PART OF THIS ORDINANCE? I MEAN THESE STREETS THAT  
25 HAVE BEEN UNDER THE ORDINANCE WERE CONSIDERED BECAUSE OF THE



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1 OVERABUNDANCE OF PARKING OF VEHICLES FOR ADVERTISING. NOW THEY  
2 HAVE FALLEN OUT OF FAVOR. HOW DO YOU DO THAT? PEOPLE AREN'T  
3 ADVERTISING ON THE STREET ANYMORE? THAT DOESN'T NECESSARILY  
4 MEAN THAT WHAT HAPPENS? IF THEY FALL OUT OF FAVOR, THEN PEOPLE  
5 COME BACK AND START ADVERTISING ON THE STREETS AGAIN? I MEAN,  
6 IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE THAT IF YOU ARE PART OF THAT CRITERIA TO  
7 MAKE UP THIS ORDINANCE, THAT YOU WOULD FALL OUT OF FAVOR FROM  
8 THIS ORDINANCE. AND I COULD GIVE YOU A REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE  
9 HERE. YOU HEARD OF THE HIGH SPEED RAIL. ONE OF THE ROUTES  
10 CHOSEN WAS TO GO OVER THE TEJON PASS. BUT IT WAS DEEMED TO BE  
11 TOO HIGH A GRADE. NOW THE HIGH SPEED RAIL COMMISSION WANTS TO  
12 RECONSIDER TEJON PASS. SO MY QUESTION IS: HAS THE MOUNTAIN  
13 RANGE SHRUNK THAT IT WOULD ALLOW THEM TO GO OVER THAT GRADE?  
14 DON'T KNOW. BUT IT'S THE SAME KIND OF THING. CRITERIA'S SET.  
15 THE STREETS ARE IN IT. NOW THE CRITERIA IS ADDED TO AND THE  
16 STREETS ARE ELIMINATED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE?

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU TO CLOSE  
21 THE PUBLIC HEARING.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 6, THIS IS A DE  
2 NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER R2012-02415 ALL DISTRICTS IN  
3 CONSIDERATION OF THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION TO AMEND THE LOS  
4 ANGELES COUNTY CODE TITLE 22 PLANNING AND ZONING OF AMBULANCE  
5 SERVICE FACILITIES AND AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICE FACILITY.  
6 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HAS RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF  
7 THIS PROJECT. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO  
8 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE IS A PUBLIC SPEAKER.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SIR?

11

12 **BRUCE DURBIN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M BRUCE DURBIN  
13 SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
14 PLANNING. IN 2012 THE BOARD RECOGNIZED TO IMPROVE EMERGENCY  
15 RESPONSE TIMES FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED  
16 AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THE ZONING ORDINANCE SHOULD BE AMENDED.  
17 ON JULY 17, 2012, THE BOARD MADE A MOTION THAT THE DEPARTMENT  
18 OF REGIONAL PLANNING REVISE TITLE 22 THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO  
19 PROVIDE DEFINITIONS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF EMERGENCY AND  
20 NONEMERGENCY AMBULANCE FACILITIES, PERMIT APPROPRIATE TYPES OF  
21 EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES FACILITIES TO BE LOCATED IN  
22 SPECIFIED COMMERCIAL AND MANUFACTURING ZONES SUBJECT TO  
23 MINISTERIAL PROCESS, PROVIDE APPROPRIATE PERMITTING STANDARDS  
24 AND PROCESSES APPLICABLE TO NONEMERGENCY FACILITIES AND  
25 SPECIFIED COMMERCIAL MANUFACTURING ZONES AND TO DIRECT THE



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1 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND  
2 FORWARD ITS RECOMMENDATION ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE REVISIONS  
3 TO THE BOARD FOR ITS CONSIDERATION. ON FEBRUARY 24 AND APRIL  
4 24 OF 2013, THE COMMISSION CONDUCTED PUBLIC HEARINGS TO  
5 CONSIDER THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TITLE 22 FOR AMBULANCE  
6 SERVICES. TWO TESTIFIERS SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE ORDINANCE AT  
7 THE FEBRUARY 20TH PUBLIC HEARING. THE COMMISSION ADOPTED A  
8 RESOLUTION WHICH RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER THE  
9 PROPOSED ORDINANCE. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TITLE 22  
10 CONTAINS DEFINITIONS FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES FACILITY AND  
11 AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITY AND PROVIDES ZONES WHERE  
12 THE USES ARE PERMITTED AND CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED. THE USES  
13 WILL BE PERMITTED OR CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED IN THE RESPECTIVE  
14 ZONES AS FOLLOWS: FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES, THEY WILL NOT BE  
15 PERMITTED IN ZONES CH, C1 OR C2. A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT WILL  
16 BE REQUIRED IN ZONE C3, CM AND M1. AND AMBULANCE SERVICES WILL  
17 BE PERMITTED IN ZONES M1.5, M2, M3 AND M4. FOR AMBULANCE  
18 EMERGENCY SERVICES, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT WILL BE REQUIRED  
19 IN THE MOST SENSITIVE COMMERCIAL ZONES, CH AND C1. THEY WILL  
20 ALSO BE SUBJECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS I WILL OUTLINE IN  
21 THE FOLLOWING ZONES, HOWEVER AS PART OF THE DISCRETIONARY  
22 REVIEW PROCESS, THOSE STANDARDS COULD BE MODIFIED. SO FOR  
23 AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICES, IN ADDITION TO THE CH AND C1  
24 THAT WILL ALLOW WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, WE WILL PERMIT  
25 THEM, BY RIGHT, IN ZONE IN C2, C3, CM AND ALL OF THE



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1 MANUFACTURING ZONES. ALTHOUGH AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICES  
2 WILL BE PERMITTED IN ZONES C2, C3, CM AND M1, THIS USE WILL BE  
3 SUBJECT TO THE AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEVELOPMENT  
4 STANDARDS. AND THOSE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REQUIRE THE  
5 FOLLOWING: 1) THAT NO MORE THAN TWO AMBULANCES BE LOCATED ON  
6 SITE AT ANY ONE TIME. 2) THAT A DEDICATED PARKING SPACE SHALL  
7 BE PROVIDED FOR EACH AMBULANCE LOCATED ON SITE. 3) THE  
8 DIRECTOR SHALL SEND COPIES OF THE APPLICATION TO COUNTY  
9 DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH SERVICES, FIRE, PUBLIC WORKS AND SHERIFF  
10 FOR THEIR COMMENT ON THE PROPOSAL. AND 4) A SITE PLAN APPROVED  
11 BY THE DIRECTOR IS REQUIRED IN MAKING A DECISION ON THE  
12 APPLICATION THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS  
13 THAT HE RECEIVES FROM THE NOTIFIED DEPARTMENTS. IN ADDITION,  
14 AMBULANCE SERVICE FACILITIES AND AMBULANCE EMERGENCY SERVICE  
15 FACILITIES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE COMMERCIAL USES THAT WILL  
16 NOT BE PERMITTED IN A MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT. STAFF WORKED WITH  
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
18 AGENCY AND DEVELOPING THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. WE ALSO WORKED  
19 WITH AMBULANCE DRIVERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
20 AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION. STAFF RECEIVED COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY  
21 DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, PARKS AND RECREATION, SHERIFF  
22 AND PUBLIC WORKS. THEY REVIEWED THE DRAFT ORDINANCE AND HAD NO  
23 COMMENTS. FINALLY, AN INITIAL STUDY WAS PREPARED FOR THE DRAFT  
24 ORDINANCE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL  
25 QUALITY ACT. THE INITIAL STUDY SHOWED THAT THERE IS NO



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1 SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE AMENDMENTS WILL HAVE A  
2 SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. BASED ON THE INITIAL  
3 STUDY, D.R.P. HAS PREPARED A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE  
4 PROJECT. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF'S PRESENTATION AND I'M AVAILABLE  
5 FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION.  
8 PUBLIC COMMENT MR. SACHS.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** VERY QUICKLY. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I THANK YOU FOR  
11 THE REPORT. IT IS THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. BUT JUST TWO QUICK  
12 QUESTIONS. SINCE THE GOVERNOR HAS -- WELL, THEY'VE ELIMINATED  
13 THE ECONOMIC ZONE, BUT THERE'S A NEW ECONOMIC ZONE OVERLAY  
14 THAT'S BEEN PROPOSED. AND CONGRATULATIONS ON THE MOTION YOU  
15 TOOK A COUPLE WEEKS AGO ADDING AN ECONOMIC ZONE. WOULD THESE  
16 AMBULANCE FACILITIES AND AMBULANCE SERVICE FACILITIES, WOULD  
17 THEY FALL INTO THESE ECONOMIC ZONE OVERLAYS THAT YOU'VE JUST  
18 CREATED? AND THEREFORE WOULD THEY GET SUBSIDIES FROM THE STATE  
19 FOR NEW HIRES? OR SUBSIDIES FROM THE STATE FOR NEW JOBS NOT  
20 NECESSARILY NEW HIRES BUT ADDITIONAL JOBS? THAT'S ONE OF THE  
21 PROBLEMS WITH THE ECONOMIC ZONES IS THAT THEY PROVIDED  
22 SUBSIDIES FOR NEW HIRES BUT NOT NECESSARILY AN INCREASE IN  
23 WORKFORCE. AND THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE WITH THAT. SO THOSE  
24 TWO QUESTIONS, IF YOU DON'T MIND, FOR THE UNINFORMED PUBLIC.  
25 THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE.  
3 MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC  
4 HEARING ON THIS ITEM AND APPROVE.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE ARE GOING TO GO BACK  
9 TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 1, WHICH WAS THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM.  
10 AND, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. AFTER TABULATING  
11 THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY  
12 PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF  
13 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION  
14 TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND  
15 THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED  
16 ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO  
17 ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF  
18 ASSESSMENTS AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY  
19 TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF SUBDIVISION  
20 TERRITORIES.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I HAVEN'T HEARD THE  
23 READING OF THE ITEM. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR  
24 MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, THAT COMPLETES THE  
2 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS FOR US TODAY. I BELIEVE WE COULD GO ON TO  
3 THE REGULAR AGENDA, AND THERE'S A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHO  
4 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN  
7 AS I CALL YOUR NAME, IF YOU WOULD BE KIND ENOUGH TO COME  
8 FORWARD ON THE ITEMS THAT YOU HAVE CALLED TO BE COMMENTED ON.  
9 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, PATRICIA MULCAHEY, ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD  
10 SACHS AND AIMEE GILBREATH. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU WOULD  
11 COME FORWARD, THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD ON THE  
12 ITEMS THAT YOU'VE IDENTIFIED OF CONCERN. PLEASE PROCEED.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
15 DISTRICT 3. AND WE WILL HAVE A PRESENTATION, I TAKE IT, ON THE  
16 S-1 AT 11:00 AS SCHEDULED, SO THESE COMMENTS WILL NOT INCLUDE  
17 THAT PARTICULAR SUBJECT WHICH INVOLVES THE SHERIFF. ITEM 7 IS  
18 JUST A LITTLE BIT LIKE THAT. THE MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S MAKING  
19 SOME PARKING AVAILABLE FOR THE POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION,  
20 WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY APPROPRIATE. ITEM NUMBER 14 HAS TO DO WITH  
21 COUNTY RISK. IT'S A NEW AGREEMENT WITH ONE OF OUR TWO MAJOR  
22 T.P.A.'S OR THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATORS, CALLED CARL WARREN AND  
23 COMPANY AND ANOTHER ONE CALLED SEDGWICK WE WHO REUPPED WITH IN  
24 JUNE OF 2012. THIS IS A REUP, AS WELL. THERE WAS APPARENTLY  
25 SOME COMPETITIVE BIDDING. EVEN THOUGH THE PROPOSED PRICING



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1 FROM CARL WARREN WAS NOT THE LOWEST, WE WENT WITH THEM BECAUSE  
2 IT RATED VERY HIGHLY. THERE'S NO DETAILS ABOUT HOW THAT WENT  
3 DOWN. THEY'RE ROLLING BACK THEIR COSTS, TO BE BLUNT. THEY ARE  
4 AGREEING TO DIAL DOWN THE AMOUNT THAT WE'RE PAYING FOR THESE  
5 SERVICES, WHICH INVOLVE HELPING ADMINISTER OUR CLAIMS. THE  
6 SEDGWICK GROUP, WHO DID THIS IN JUNE OF 2012, ROLLED BACK  
7 THEIR COSTS BY 20 PERCENT WHICH AMOUNTED TO MILLIONS OF  
8 DOLLARS, LITERALLY THREE MILLION DOLLARS. THIS ONE ONLY ABOUT  
9 140,000. I SUPPORT THE FACT THAT WE'RE ROLLING THEM BACKWARDS.  
10 OF COURSE I'M ANXIOUS BECAUSE WE HAVE FACED ESCALATING AS  
11 SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL CONFIRM RISK COSTS HERE AT LOS ANGELES  
12 COUNTY. WE SPEND A BLOODY FORTUNE, IF I MAY, ON LITIGATION, ON  
13 ALL SORTS OF WHAT'S THE WORD? WORKER'S COMPENSATION ISSUES?  
14 SOME OF THAT IS FUNDED THROUGH STATE. BUT IT'S REALLY  
15 WORRISOME. AND WHEN LONG-TIME PROVIDERS ARE TAKING CONTRACTS,  
16 EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE NOT THE LOWEST COST, I WORRY. AND I ALSO  
17 WORRY BECAUSE THERE'S A GROUP CALLED H.B.R. CONSULTING OUT OF  
18 CHICAGO THEY'RE LOOKING AT COUNTY COUNSEL, THEIR PARTICIPATION  
19 IN SOME OF THESE OVERSIGHT ISSUES BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY MANY OF  
20 THESE CLAIMS WHICH START OUT AT ABOUT 5,000 A YEAR THAT COME  
21 THROUGH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S MAILBOX TURN INTO LAWSUITS. A  
22 SMALL PERCENTAGE TURN INTO LAWSUITS. BUT SOMETHING LIKE 300  
23 WIND UP ON CARL WARREN'S DESK AND THEN SEVERAL HUNDRED MORE, I  
24 BELIEVE, WHICH DEALS WITH THE MALPRACTICE ISSUES, WIND UP ON  
25 THE SEDGWICK DESK. AGAIN, THIS SEEMS LIKE MORE OF THE SAME.



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1 THIS SOUND LIKE I KNOW IT COSTS A LOT, WE'LL DO BETTER. PLEASE  
2 KEEP US IN THE LOOP. I DON'T HAVE THE FEELING THAT THERE IS A  
3 STRONG PROGRAM IN PLACE THAT IS GOING TO BE REDUCING THESE  
4 COSTS ANY TIME SOON. WE'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH OUR SHERIFF AND  
5 NOW OUR BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN  
6 AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M JUST LOOKING FOR THE KIND OF  
7 VIGILANCE THAT I THINK SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS LOOKING FOR IN  
8 2007 AND THE NUMBER OF YEARS COMING UP TO THIS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
13 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. UNDER ITEM 14, I HAVE SOME OF THE SAME  
14 CONCERNS. I THINK THAT THE WAY IT IS DESCRIBED EVEN SO IT WAS  
15 AN R.F.P., IT WAS NOT DONE ON TIME. AND AS USUAL, WE ACCEPTED  
16 WHAT WE HAD. AGAIN THAT'S MY CONCERN ON THAT. ON ITEM 15,  
17 HAVING TO DO WITH U.S.C. IMPROVEMENT, YOU KNOW, FROM THE  
18 BEGINNING WE HAVE HAD PROBLEMS WITH SOME ISSUES AT U.S.C. ONE  
19 WAS THE HELIO PORT WAS NOT BUILT THE RIGHT WAY. NOW WE FIND  
20 OUT THAT THE NUCLEAR MEDICINE DOESN'T HAVE THE APPROPRIATE  
21 LEAD SHIELDING. AGAIN, YOU KNOW, THAT'S A QUESTION I ASK  
22 REPEATEDLY. WHO SIGNS THOSE CONTRACTS WHEN WE BUILD NEW  
23 FACILITIES? EVERY TIME YOU HAVE EITHER TO INCREASE THE COST,  
24 MAKE HUGE MODIFICATION AND SO ON. I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE IF  
25 WE COULD HAVE A BREAKDOWN AS TO WHO ACCEPTS THOSE CONTRACTS.



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1 BECAUSE EVIDENTLY THEY ARE NOT DONE THE WAY THEY SHOULD BE  
2 DONE. EVEN SO I FEEL THAT WE NEED TO IMPROVE OUR NUCLEAR  
3 MEDICAL SHIELDING BECAUSE IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE PATIENTS  
4 AND THE PHYSICIAN AND THE NURSES AND ALSO WE COULD BE MORE  
5 EFFICIENT. ON ITEM SC-18, I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE WAIT  
6 UNTIL THE PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT IF THAT'S OKAY WITH YOU.  
7 I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU ONE OF MY MOST RECENT ARTICLES  
8 HAVING TO DO WITH CHARTING WHILE OFF THE CLOCK. IT'S ILLEGAL,  
9 IRRESPONSIBLE AND CAUSE TROUBLE.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
12 MISS MULCAHEY.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BY THE WAY, I'M STILL WAITING FOR MY  
15 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. YOU HAVE UNTIL THE 26TH. I GIVE  
16 YOU A FEW MORE DAYS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **PAT MULCAHEY:** HELLO. I'VE BEEN AGAIN COMING HERE SINCE 2004. I  
19 HAVE YET TO RECEIVE ANY KIND OF REPLY BACK FROM YOU IN REGARDS  
20 TO ALL THE PAPERWORK I HAVE SUBMITTED. AND I WAS WONDERING:  
21 WHEN DO YOU THINK IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE THAT I COULD GET A  
22 RESPONSE BACK FROM YOU IN REGARDS TO EVERYTHING THAT WAS  
23 SUBMITTED IN REGARDS TO SEPTEMBER THE FOURTH, SEPTEMBER THE  
24 FOURTH 2001 WHEN I MET WITH THE AUDIT MANAGER FOR H.H.R.? ARE  
25 YOU JUST GOING TO BROWNSTONE WALL ME? LIKE I SAID, I SEEK



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1 JUSTICE FOR THE DEAD CHILDREN COUNT 187, CHILDREN SEXUALLY  
2 ABUSED COUNT 244 AND COUNT 245. ALL RIGHT? NOW, IN SOUTHWEST  
3 FLORIDA, THERE WERE BUSTED IN REGARDS TO THE C.P.S. AND THE  
4 CHILD PROSTITUTION RING, JUST IN CASE YOU WERE NOT AWARE OF  
5 THAT. I DID LEAVE A MESSAGE UPSTAIRS IN REGARDS TO THAT. I DO  
6 HAVE THE PAPERWORK HERE LATER ON IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MEET  
7 WITH ME I COULD GIVE YOU WHICH WAS STATED ONLINE. AND ALSO  
8 WITH U.S.C., I'M STILL -- I JUST FOUND OUT JUST RECENTLY THAT  
9 MY CANCER IS NOW TERMINAL, BUT I'M NOT, YOU KNOW, SO BE IT.  
10 BUT I WILL NOT JUST DISAPPEAR. I WILL BE HERE OVER AND OVER  
11 AGAIN. LIKE I SAID I TOLD MY DAUGHTER SUGGESTIONS FOR HER WITH  
12 HER REGARDS TO THE SEXUAL ABUSE THAT SHE SUFFERED IN YOUR  
13 CARE, WHICH WE HAD TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT OVER 150,000 DOLLARS  
14 WHICH BANKRUPTED OUR FAMILY AND IN REGARDS TO YOUR SOCIAL  
15 WORKER C.E.O. ANITA BOCK, WHEN I MET WITH THE AUDIT MANAGER,  
16 THOMAS LEEHAN, SEPTEMBER 4, 2001. THOMAS, DO YOU THINK I COULD  
17 GET A RESPONSE BACK FROM YOU OR EITHER MOLINA? I NOTICE THAT  
18 ANTONOVICH IS NOT HERE RIGHT NOW. IS THAT A YES OR NO? YOU  
19 JUST NODDING YOUR HEAD.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
22 TESTIMONY. MR. SACHS, PLEASE.

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. AND  
25 I JUST REALLY HELD TWO ITEMS, THREE ITEMS. TWO OF THEM



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1 RELATING TO YOUR APPOINTMENTS TO THIS BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON  
2 D.C.F.S. ACTUALLY, ONE OF THE MOST FASCINATING THINGS ABOUT  
3 THIS BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, ISN'T THE BLUE RIBBON  
4 COMMISSION AT ALL, IT'S THE ACTION YOU TOOK JUNE 4, 2013 WHERE  
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO PROVIDE THE  
6 STATE ASSISTANCE TO WORK ON A PROJECT TO REPLACE THE CURRENT  
7 WELFARE, THE CURRENT CHILD WELFARE SERVICES CASE MANAGEMENT  
8 SYSTEM WITH A NEW CHILD WELFARE SERVICES NEW SYSTEM. YOU ARE  
9 CREATING A BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE SOME  
10 PRACTICES IN D.C.F.S., AND YET THE SAME D.C.F.S. IS GOING TO  
11 ASSIST THE STATE IN CREATING A NEW COMMISSION TO TALK ABOUT  
12 CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. THERE'S SOMETHING COMPLETELY WRONG  
13 WITH THAT IDEA THAT JUST BOGGLES THE MIND. AND THEN ON YOUR  
14 LOCAL WORKER HIRING PROGRAM, THIS IS SUBSTITUTION, BUT IT  
15 DOESN'T MENTION AGAIN SOME OF THE THINGS YOU HAD IN IT LIKE  
16 THE AREA THAT'S INVOLVED NOR THE PERCENTAGE THAT NEEDS TO BE  
17 REACHED FOR LOCAL WORKER HIRING TO BE INCLUSIVE. THIS ARTICLE  
18 A COUPLE DAYS AGO FROM "THE DAILY BREEZE," IT STATES THAT THE  
19 COUNTY'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS 9.7. AND I BELIEVE YOUR LOCAL  
20 WORKER HIRING PROGRAM IS 30 PERCENT, 300 TIMES THAT RATE,  
21 THREE TIMES THAT RATE. SO THAT WOULD BE ALMOST 29 PERCENT  
22 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT MENTIONS COUNTY  
23 FINANCE PROJECTS, AND THESE PROJECTS SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED  
24 UNDER THE CEQA ACT. AND I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BECAUSE METRO  
25 USES COUNTY COUNSEL. HERE'S A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



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1 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
2 AND THE EXPOSITION LIGHT RAIL CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY AND THE  
3 COUNTY COUNSEL WAS RAYMOND FORTNER. SO, COUNTY COUNSEL'S  
4 INVOLVED. HERE'S COUNTY COUNSEL WITH THE CRENSHAW LIGHT RAIL  
5 PROJECT. JOHN KRATTLI. AND HERE'S A MEMO, "COUNTY COUNSEL  
6 RECENTLY OPINED IN METRO DIRECTORS" THAT'S FROM THE  
7 CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MARCH 18, 2010. SO IF COUNTY COUNSEL IS  
8 BEING USED IN METRO PROJECTS AND YOU NEED CEQA ACTION THERE,  
9 THEN YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY NEED CEQA ACTION IN COUNTY PROJECTS  
10 THAT ARE FUNDED THROUGH BONDS.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MUCH. YOUR TIME HAS  
13 EXPIRED.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, SIR. AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR  
16 INFORMING THE UNINFORMED PUBLIC.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM?

19

20 **AIMEE GILBREATH:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
21 SUPERVISORS AND STAFF, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY. MY NAME  
22 IS AIMEE GILBREATH. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FOUND  
23 ANIMALS FOUNDATION. I AM HERE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT ITEM 16  
24 WHICH SEEKS YOUR APPROVAL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE  
25 AND CONTROL TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AVID TO PROVIDE AN



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1 ELECTRONIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM. FOUND ANIMALS WOULD LIKE TO  
2 RAISE OBJECTIONS TO THE PROCESS AND WE ASK THAT THE BOARD VOTE  
3 TODAY TO REJECT THIS CONTRACT PROPOSAL. YOU AND YOUR STAFF  
4 HAVE RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCE WHICH I HAVE SUBMITTED FOR THE  
5 RECORD. AS BACKGROUND, FOUND ANIMALS HAS DONATED MORE THAN  
6 200,000 MICROCHIPS FREE OF CHARGE TO L.A. COUNTY FROM 2006  
7 THROUGH 2012 ALONG WITH TRAINING, SUPPORT AND OTHER SERVICES  
8 WITH A TOTAL VALUE OF OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS. UPON OUR  
9 REQUEST IN 2011 FOR A FORMALIZED AGREEMENT, AN R.F.P. PROCESS  
10 WAS TRIGGERED IN 2012. WE SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL WHICH OFFERED  
11 TO CONTINUE PROVIDING MICROCHIPS AND REGISTRATION FREE OF  
12 CHARGE TO THE COUNTY. OUR PROPOSAL WAS RANKED SECOND IN THE  
13 SCORING BY 13 POINTS OUT OF A POSSIBLE 1,000. THE HIGHEST RANK  
14 PROPOSAL FROM AVID WILL CHARGE NINE DOLLARS AND TEN CENTS PER  
15 PET FOR AN ESTIMATED 28,000 MICROCHIPS PER YEAR AMOUNTING OVER  
16 A QUARTER MILLION DOLLAR ANNUAL CHARGE TO THE COUNTY. WE FIND  
17 IT CONCERNING THAT THE COUNTY'S SCORING PROCESS HAS RANKED THE  
18 HIGHER PRICED PROPOSAL ON TOP GIVEN THAT THE PRODUCTS AND  
19 SERVICES OFFERED BY THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS ARE BASICALLY  
20 FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT. PURCHASING MICROCHIPS AND  
21 REGISTRATIONS WHEN WE ARE PREPARED TO OFFER THEM FOR FREE DOES  
22 NOT SERVE THE INTEREST OF THE COUNTY OR REFLECT THE INTENTIONS  
23 OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS. FOUND ANIMALS RAISED THESE  
24 OBJECTIONS AND OTHERS DURING A COUNTY REVIEW PANEL HEARING ON  
25 MAY 7TH, IN PARTICULAR PERTAINING TO SCORING ERRORS DURING THE



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1 EVALUATION PROCESS. THE REVIEW PANEL CHAIR AGREED WITH FOUND  
2 ANIMALS' ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDED TO ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL  
3 THAT THEY RECONSIDER THEIR DECISION. THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE IS  
4 ALREADY BEING TO PEOPLE ADOPTING PETS IN THE FORM OF A 15  
5 DOLLAR FEE AND THIS HAS GENERATED NUMEROUS CONCERNS FROM THE  
6 PUBLIC AND RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS. THE BOTTOM LINE IS WE FEEL  
7 THAT R.F.P. PROCESSES SHOULD NOT HINDER GOOD POLICY AND NOT  
8 COST WELL-MEANING CITIZENS THEIR HARD EARNED DOLLARS.  
9 ADDITIONALLY THE COUNTY ISSUED AN R.F.B. IN OCTOBER OF 2012 TO  
10 PURCHASE MICROCHIPS. WE SUBMITTED A PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST  
11 FOR DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THAT BIDDING PROCESS. THE DEPARTMENT  
12 INITIALLY CLAIMED THAT THERE WERE NONE, BUT UPON A SECOND  
13 REQUEST PRODUCED OVER 100 PAGES OF DOCUMENTS. THESE REVEALED  
14 THAT ONCE AGAIN FOUND ANIMALS MADE THE LOWEST COST OFFER TO  
15 THE DEPARTMENT BUT THE DEPARTMENT WISHED TO PURCHASE  
16 MICROCHIPS FROM THE HIGHEST PRICED BIDDER AT OVER DOUBLE THE  
17 COST. THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE TO OUR SECOND P.R.A. REQUEST  
18 ALSO REVEALED EMAIL CHAINS WHICH SHOW A CLEAR BIAS AGAINST  
19 FOUND ANIMALS, INCLUDING CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT  
20 AND OTHER COUNTY STAFF WHICH HIGHLIGHT ATTEMPTS TO CIRCUMVENT  
21 A FAIR AND OPEN BIDDING PROCESS. THE EMAIL CONVERSATIONS WHICH  
22 WE HAVE SUBMITTED TO YOU VIA EMAIL YESTERDAY SHOW A  
23 PREDETERMINATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AVID, THE  
24 HIGHEST BIDDER, AND THEN SEEK JUSTIFICATION FOR WHY THAT  
25 DECISION WAS MADE. EVEN THOUGH THAT R.F.B. WAS ULTIMATELY



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1 CANCELED, THE EMAILS SHOW A BIAS AGAINST FOUND ANIMALS AND WE  
2 FEEL STRONGLY THERE IS AN INTENT TO AVOID CONTRACTING WITH US  
3 REGARDLESS OF THE MERITS OF OUR BID OR CONCLUSION. SO IN  
4 CONCLUSION WE ASK AGAIN THAT YOU REJECT THIS RECOMMENDATION.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
7 THAT CLOSES THE LIST OF SPEAKERS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON SUCH  
8 ITEMS. JUST A QUICK QUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL ON ITEM NUMBER  
9 16. THE CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED BY THE LAST SPEAKER, DO  
10 THEY RISE TO THE LEVEL THAT WARRANTS A SECOND OR A FINAL  
11 REVIEW ON COUNTY COUNSEL TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE NO  
12 VULNERABILITY?

13

14 **RICK WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE  
15 HAVE REVIEWED THESE CONTENTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AND HAVE  
16 WORKED WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND BELIEVE THAT YOUR BOARD IS WELL  
17 WITHIN ITS DISCRETION TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE  
18 DEPARTMENT. THE RECOMMENDED PROPOSER WAS RANKED NUMBER ONE,  
19 ALTHOUGH COST IS AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT, IT IS NOT THE ONLY  
20 ELEMENT. FOUND ANIMALS PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT AND  
21 OTHER REQUIREMENTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT FOUND TO BE  
22 UNACCEPTABLE. AND, THEREFORE, WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT A FURTHER  
23 REVIEW IS NECESSARY AND WE BELIEVE THE BOARD CAN LEGALLY GO  
24 FORWARD WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
2 IT HASN'T BEEN REQUESTED BUT IT CERTAINLY CAN BE ACCOMMODATED.  
3 ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WISHES TO CAUSE IT TO BE  
4 HELD OR SIMPLY ACCOMMODATE IT NOW IF THAT'S ACCEPTABLE. STAFF  
5 FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON ITEM NUMBER 16. MA'AM, PROCEED.

6

7 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE CONTRACT BEFORE YOU,  
8 THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING TO BE APPROVED TODAY, WE DO NEED  
9 TO HAVE A CONTRACT SIGNED SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO PROVIDE MICRO-  
10 CHIPPING AND LOST PET RECOVERY SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENT DID A  
11 COMPLETE AND PROPER REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS THAT COMPLIED WITH  
12 ALL COUNTY CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS. THE UNSUCCESSFUL  
13 PROPOSER, FOUND ANIMALS, ALTHOUGH THEIR PROPOSAL WAS AT A NO  
14 COST, THERE WERE A NUMBER OF CONTRACT CHANGES THAT WERE  
15 UNACCEPTABLE TO THE COUNTY, INCLUDING STANDARD INDEMNIFICATION  
16 LANGUAGE AND UNACCEPTABLE TERMINATION CLAUSE, CHANGES TO THE  
17 BILLING AND INVOICING ACTIONS THAT ARE BEYOND THE DEPARTMENT'S  
18 CONTROL, DEMAND FOR PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS  
19 ON THE DEPARTMENT THAT WE DID NOT HAVE ANY CONTROL OVER, SO WE  
20 HAD NO ABILITY TO CONTROL WHETHER WE'D BE ABLE TO MEET THOSE  
21 OR NOT. IF THEY WERE NOT MET, THE CONTRACT WOULD BE  
22 TERMINATED. IT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF CHIPS WE COULD PURCHASE.  
23 IT'S NOT ENOUGH CHIPS. IT LIMITS THE NUMBER OF THE CHIPS THAT  
24 WE PURCHASE THAT CAN ONLY BE USED FOR ADOPTION. SO THEY CAN'T  
25 BE USED FOR GENERAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WANT TO HAVE



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1 THEIR ANIMALS MICRO-CHIPPED. OF COURSE OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE  
2 EVERY ANIMAL MICRO-CHIPPED, WHETHER THEY CAME FROM THE  
3 DEPARTMENT OR ANOTHER SOURCE SO THE ANIMALS CAN BE IDENTIFIED  
4 AND RE-HOMED. THERE WERE PROBLEMS WITH THE MICROCHIP SCANNERS'  
5 REQUIREMENTS. THEIR READING DISTANCE IS SHORTER THAN WHAT OUR  
6 R.F.P. CALLED FOR. THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE THE NUMBER OF VARIETY  
7 OF SCANNERS THAT THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO HAVE, WHICH ARE  
8 DIFFERENT SIZES THAT CAN BE USED IN DIFFERENT SITUATIONS, LIKE  
9 BY OUR OFFICERS IN THE FIELD AS OPPOSED TO AT THE SHELTER.  
10 THEY DID NOT INDICATE THAT THEY HAD A 24 HOUR TELEPHONE  
11 SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WHO FOUND OR LOST PETS. THERE WERE JUST A  
12 NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS AS FAR AS NO COMMITMENT TO  
13 TECHNOLOGY CHANGES AND UPGRADING, SERVICING THE SCANNERS. THE  
14 RECOMMENDED PROPOSER AGREED TO REPLACE OR REPAIR SCANNERS FOR  
15 THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT AT NO COST. THE FOUND ANIMALS'  
16 PROPOSAL ONLY GUARANTEES THE SCANNERS FOR ONE YEAR. WE'RE INTO  
17 18 MONTHS NOW USING THE SCANNERS THEY'VE PROVIDED IN THE PAST  
18 AND A NUMBER ARE FAILING, WHICH IS WHY WE NEED TO HAVE A  
19 CONTRACT SIGNED SO WE CAN GO AHEAD AND PURCHASE WORKING  
20 SCANNERS. IT'S BECOMING A SEVERE HARDSHIP AT OUR SHELTERS  
21 RIGHT NOW WITH THE LOWER NUMBER OF SCANNERS THAT ARE AVAILABLE  
22 RIGHT NOW. UNDER THE FOUND ANIMALS' PROPOSAL, AFTER A YEAR, WE  
23 WOULD HAVE TO PURCHASE OR REPAIR THE SCANNERS OURSELVES, WHICH  
24 CAN BE SEVERAL HUNDRED DOLLARS PER SCANNER. THE R.F.P. CALLED  
25 FOR 130 SCANNERS. SO THIS COULD BE QUITE A COST TO THE



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1 DEPARTMENT. SO ALTHOUGH THE CHIPS THEMSELVES ARE NO COST,  
2 THERE ARE A LOT OF HIDDEN COSTS TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT WOULD  
3 SEVERELY IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO DO OUR JOB AS FAR AS HAVING THE  
4 NUMBER OF CHIPS AVAILABLE.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU,  
7 SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK A QUESTION. YOU SAID THERE ARE A  
10 NUMBER OF SCANNERS THAT ARE FAILING?

11

12 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** YES. WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO EXPAND ON THAT?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A SPECIFIC QUESTION. WHAT PERCENTAGE  
15 OF THE SCANNERS ARE FAILING AND HOW DOES THAT COMPARE TO ANY  
16 OTHER PRODUCT YOU USED BEFORE?

17

18 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** WHAT PERCENTAGE? I DIDN'T HEAR THE WHOLE THING.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE SCANNERS ARE FAILING?

21

22 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I DON'T HAVE THAT NUMBER RIGHT NOW, BUT IT'S  
23 ENOUGH THAT WE'VE BEEN HAVING TO SCRAMBLE TO OTHER SHELTERS  
24 AND GET LOANER SCANNERS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW LONG HAVE YOU USED THESE SCANNERS?

2

3 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THE ONES THAT WE HAVE NOW ABOUT 18 MONTHS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU HAD A DIFFERENT PRODUCT MORE THAN 18  
6 MONTHS AGO?

7

8 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** RIGHT. WE HAD AVID SCANNERS.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WERE THEY BETTER SCANNERS THAT THAN THE ONES  
11 YOU HAVE NOW?

12

13 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** YES. BUT THEY WERE ALSO REPLACED AND REPAIRED  
14 AT NO COST. SO EVEN IF ONE DID BREAK, WE WERE ABLE TO GET IT  
15 REPLACED AND REPAIRED AND SO FORTH.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WAS THE RATE OF FAILURE OF THE OLD SCANNERS  
18 BETTER/WORSE OR ABOUT THE SAME AS THE CURRENT SCANNERS?

19

20 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I'M SORRY. DID BOTH SCANNERS WORK THE SAME?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE OLD, THE ONES THAT YOU HAD MORE THAN 18  
23 MONTHS AGO, DID THEY FAIL AT THE SAME RATE AS THESE ARE  
24 FAILING, DO YOU KNOW?

25



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1 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** NOT THAT I KNOW OF, NO. BUT IT WASN'T AN ISSUE,  
2 EITHER, BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO GET THEM REPAIRED. SO IT NEVER  
3 BECAME A PROBLEM FOR US.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU WERE ABLE TO GET THEM REPAIRED FREE OF  
6 CHARGE.

7

8 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THESE, THE ONES YOU CURRENTLY HAVE, THE  
11 PROVIDER DOES NOT REPAIR THEM FREE OF CHARGE?

12

13 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THEY OFFERED TO GUARANTEE THEM FOR THE FIRST  
14 YEAR WHILE THEY WERE UNDER WARRANTY BUT NOT AFTER THAT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW LONG WAS THE OLDER ONE GUARANTEED FOR?  
17 INDEFINITELY?

18

19 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** HOW OLD WAS THE?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TALKING ABOUT TWO DIFFERENT SETS OF  
22 SCANNERS, RIGHT? THE ONE FROM 18 MONTHS AGO AND BEFORE THE  
23 CURRENT ONES. THE ONES THAT WERE 18 MONTHS AND BEFORE I'M  
24 LABELING THE OLD SCANNERS. THE CURRENT SCANNERS ARE THE ONES  
25 THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY USING. SO WE HAVE OUR TERMS RIGHT. WHAT



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1 WAS THE -- YOU SAID THAT THE CURRENT SCANNER IS BEING  
2 GUARANTEED FOR A YEAR. WHAT WAS THE OLD SCANNER GUARANTEED  
3 FOR? HOW LONG WAS THAT OLD SCANNER GUARANTEED FOR?

4

5 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG IT WAS GUARANTEED FOR  
6 BECAUSE THEY JUST REPAIRED OR REPLACED THEM. THAT'S WHAT THEIR  
7 PROGRAM IS. THAT'S WHAT AVID HAS CONTINUED IN THEIR PROPOSAL  
8 BEFORE YOU, THAT THEY WILL REPAIR/REPLACE ALL THE SCANNERS AT  
9 NO CHARGE FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW LONG DID WE HAVE THE CONTRACT WITH  
12 THE OLD SCANNERS?

13

14 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I THINK THEY WERE NORMAL CONTRACT TERMS FOR  
15 FIVE YEARS UP UNTIL THE POINT WHERE FOUND ANIMALS BEGAN  
16 PROVIDING FREE CHIPS, WHICH WAS IN 2006. AND THEN THEY WERE  
17 PROVIDING CHIPS AND SCANNERS. SO WE DIDN'T HAVE THE CONTRACT.  
18 THERE MAY HAVE BEEN ONE BETWEEN THEM AND THE MICROCHIP  
19 PROVIDER, I DON'T KNOW.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW I'M CONFUSED. YOU HAD THE OLD SCANNER  
22 HAD A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR THOSE, IS THAT RIGHT?

23



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1 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND CHECK. BUT I THINK,  
2 YES. BECAUSE OUR STANDARD CONTRACTS ARE USUALLY THREE YEARS  
3 WITH THE TWO ONE YEAR EXTENSIONS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU NEVER HAD TO PAY FOR ANY REPAIRS OF  
6 THOSE SCANNERS DURING THOSE FIVE YEARS?

7

8 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** NOT THAT WE'RE AWARE OF, NO.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST ONE LAST QUESTION ON A TOTALLY  
11 DIFFERENT ASPECT OF THIS. THE CURRENT PROVIDER GAVE YOU THE  
12 CHIPS FOR FREE AS I UNDERSTAND IT, RIGHT?

13

14 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THE CURRENT PROVIDER WHERE WE'RE GETTING CHIPS  
15 RIGHT NOW?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

18

19 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** NO. WHAT HAPPENED IS WHEN FOUND ANIMALS WAS  
20 ADVISED THAT THEY WERE NOT THE RECOMMENDED PROPOSER, THEY  
21 STOPPED PROVIDING MICROCHIPS TO US AT THAT TIME, WHICH WAS  
22 LAST SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PRIOR TO THAT, THEY WERE GIVING IT TO US FOR  
25 FREE?



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2 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE OLD PROVIDER, OR THE RECOMMENDED  
5 PROVIDER NOW, THE ONE THAT YOU'RE RECOMMENDING THAT WE APPROVE  
6 TODAY, WHAT ARE THEY CHARGING US FOR THE CHIPS?

7

8 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THE CHARGE IS THE AVERAGE OF ABOUT NINE DOLLAR  
9 PER CHIP. AND THEN THERE'S THE COST TO THE DEPARTMENT FROM  
10 PLAN PAYING AND SO FORTH. SO THE CHARGE TO THE PUBLIC IS 15  
11 DOLLARS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW MUCH DOES THAT ADD UP TO GIVEN THE  
14 NUMBER OF CHIPS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE? WHAT ARE YOU  
15 BUDGETING TO HAVE TO PAY THEM FOR THESE CHIPS?

16

17 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** WE'RE ESTIMATING 300,000 A YEAR. BUT THAT MONEY  
18 IS RECOVERED WHEN WE ADOPT THE ANIMAL OUT BECAUSE THE ADOPTER,  
19 AS ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT THEY'RE CHARGED FOR, ALONG WITH THE  
20 SPAY OR NEUTER AND THE VACCINES AND SO FORTH. SO IT'S  
21 RECOVERED TO THE DEPARTMENT. SO THERE'S NO NET COUNTY COST  
22 BEING SPENT ON THESE CHIPS. IT'S A PASS-THROUGH COST.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHEN WE DID IT WITH IT THE CURRENT  
25 PROVIDER WHERE THEY GAVE US THE CHIPS FOR FREE, WHEN WE



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1 ADOPTED OUT THE DOG, THE AND MAY ANIMAL, DID WE RECOVER A COST  
2 THERE EVEN THOUGH WE DIDN'T INCUR A COST? DID WE CHARGE PEOPLE  
3 AS WELL GOING FORWARD? DID WE CHARGE PEOPLE WHEN THEY ADOPTED  
4 A DOG?

5

6 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THEY WERE NOT CHARGED FOR THE CHIP. WHEN FOUND  
7 ANIMALS STOPPED PROVIDING FREE REGISTRATION IN 2007, WE MADE A  
8 REGISTRATION OPTION AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. IF  
9 THEY CHOOSE TO, THEY COULD PURCHASE REGISTRATION FOR THE CHIP  
10 FOR SIX DOLLARS. THAT WAS AN OPTIONAL COST FOR THEM IF THEY  
11 WANTED TO DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I GUESS MY QUESTION IS THIS. IT'S REALLY  
14 JUST AN ACCOUNTING QUESTION. DID WE MAKE MONEY ON THE CHIPS  
15 WHEN WE WERE GETTING THEM FOR FREE AND NOW WE'RE JUST GOING TO  
16 RECOVER OUR COSTS UNDER THE NEW CONTRACT?

17

18 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** WE DID NOT MAKE MONEY ON THE CHIPS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU SAID WE WERE CHARGING SIX DOLLARS.

21

22 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THAT SIX DOLLARS WENT TO THE REGISTRATION  
23 COMPANY, NOT US.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE IN THE AMOUNT OF  
2 MONEY WELL -- THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE IN THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF  
3 THIS NEW CONTRACT COMPARED TO THE OLD CONTRACT. THERE'S ZERO  
4 NET COUNTY COST IMPACT ON YOUR DEPARTMENT.

5

6 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THAT'S RIGHT, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EITHER WAY, WITH THE OLD ONE OR THE NEW ONE.

9

10 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THAT'S RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER  
15 QUESTIONS ON ITEM NUMBER 16 AT THIS POINT? ALL RIGHT. THE  
16 BALANCE OF THE AGENDA IS BEFORE US, I PRESUME?

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** I WILL READ THE ITEMS THAT ARE  
19 BEFORE YOU. ITEM NUMBER 7 IS BEFORE YOU, ITEM NUMBER 9 WILL BE  
20 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. ITEM 13 IS BEFORE YOU, 14 IS BEFORE YOU,  
21 16 IS BEFORE YOU. AND THEN ITEM 19-A, IF WE COULD TAKE THOSE  
22 ITEMS UP FIRST?

23



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
2 YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. THE ITEMS THAT  
3 HAVE BEEN ENUMERATED, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THEN ON ITEM NUMBER 17 IF I  
6 COULD JUST READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD AND THEN ASK  
7 FOR YOUR APPROVAL. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
8 AMENDING THE COUNTY COLD TITLE 6 SALARIES TO EXTEND THE  
9 PROVISIONS NEGOTIATED WITH REPRESENTED PUBLIC DEFENDER  
10 CLASSIFICATIONS. AGAIN THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES.  
13 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SECONDS PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE  
14 ON THE ITEM NUMBER 17.

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND NOW I THINK WE CAN  
17 GO TO ITEM 10?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PROCEED TO ITEM NUMBER 10. THERE  
20 ARE A FEW PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER 10. WE  
21 WILL CALL YOU AT THIS POINT. ANGELA LUSSIER, LORI MARTIN,  
22 MICHAEL LEMOS, ROSY BALDERAS, DENISE PAZ. COLIESHA COPELAND.  
23 IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. MA'AM, YOU MAY PROCEED.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE I HAD MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S  
2 ATTENTION BECAUSE IT HAS TO DO WITH ITEM NUMBER 10.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I'M CONCERNED, AS I WAS WITH THE ONES LAST  
7 WEEK, THAT AS FAR AS I KNOW THAT THESE APPOINTEES ARE PREVIOUS  
8 JUDGES IN DEPENDENCY COURT. AND, AGAIN, I QUESTION THE CITIZEN  
9 PANEL. I REALLY BESEECH YOU TO REALLY STRONGLY CONSIDER THESE  
10 APPOINTEES AND CONSIDER THE POOL OF PEOPLE THAT YOU HAVE,  
11 REGARDLESS OF PERSONALITY, I UNDERSTAND THERE'S A LOT OF  
12 PERSONALITIES HERE, BUT YOU'VE GOT PEOPLE WHO COME HERE ON A  
13 WEEKLY BASIS AND YOU HAVE REAL BONA FIDE CITIZENS THAT YOU  
14 COULD CONSIDER APPOINTING FOR THE BASIS OF TRANSPARENCY.  
15 AGAIN, I WILL THROW MY HAT IN THE RING. I WOULD LOVE TO GET  
16 SOME CONTACT INFORMATION TO SEND A RESUME OR WHATEVER, BUT  
17 I'VE BEEN A FOSTER PARENT, THERAPEUTIC FOSTER PARENT, PARENT,  
18 GRANDPARENT, LICENSED FAMILY CHILDCARE PROVIDER, A CHILD  
19 ADVOCATE SINCE I WAS THE AGE OF 13 MYSELF. I HAVE NO DRUG  
20 HISTORY, NO ARREST RECORDS, NO INSTITUTIONALIZATIONS, ANYTHING  
21 LIKE THAT. BUT I REALLY SUGGEST THAT ALSO GABRIEL FERNANDEZ'S  
22 UNCLE IS HERE. NOW HE IS SICK. HE HAS CANCER. BUT I WOULD SAY  
23 WHY NOT APPOINT HIM? LET HIM HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF SAY ON THIS  
24 BLUE RIBBON PANEL, OKAY? WE'VE GOT TWO SIDES. WE'VE GOT THE  
25 KIDS THAT ARE BEING IGNORED LIKE GABRIEL AND WE GOT THE KIDS



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1 THAT ARE BEING TARGETED BECAUSE OF THE STRUCTURE OF THE  
2 FEDERAL MONEY COMING IN. SO I ASK THAT YOU JUST PLEASE  
3 CONSIDER, YOU KNOW, HAVING SOMEBODY APPROACH US AND SAY, HEY,  
4 WE REALLY DO WANT THIS. BECAUSE THIS IS MORE THAN A JOB FOR  
5 YOU GUYS. THIS IS A CALLING. AND, YOU KNOW, YOU GUYS HAVE A  
6 LOT OF WORK TO DO, I UNDERSTAND. BUT YOU DON'T WANT THE RECORD  
7 TO GET SO BAD THAT WHEN IT HAPPENS AGAIN AND AFTER THIS THAT  
8 WHEN THE MIT HITS THE FAN, YOU WANT TO BE ABLE TO COME OUT  
9 LOOKING LIKE YOU DID WHAT YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO DO. AND I  
10 WISH MR. ANTONOVICH WAS HERE BECAUSE I AM DRAWN TO BELIEVE  
11 THAT HE'S HERE TO DO THE RIGHT THING. AND I HOPE THAT HE READS  
12 THE TRANSCRIPT. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
15 TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

16

17 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LORI MARTIN. I RESIDE IN  
18 RIVERSIDE COUNTY. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR PICKS ARE NOT  
19 SURPRISING TO ME, CONSIDERING THE FACT THAT I HAVE PROOF YOU  
20 WENT TO JUDGE PELLMAN ONE WEEK AFTER AN EMAIL I SENT YOU TO  
21 GAIN A WARRANT TO DETAIN MY SON. I BELIEVE THAT'S EX PARTE  
22 COMMUTATIVE ACTION AND IT'S ALSO UNETHICAL. JUST AS THESE TWO  
23 PICKS FOR THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ARE PROBABLY JUST AS  
24 UNETHICAL. THIS IS REALLY RIDICULOUS CONSIDERING THE FACT THAT  
25 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS 680 MISSING CHILDREN IN THE FOSTER CARE



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1 SYSTEM. WE CAN'T EVEN GET IT RIGHT FOR THE MISSING CHILDREN.  
2 HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET IT RIGHT FOR THE CHILDREN D.C.F.S. IS  
3 OVERSEEING? I RECENTLY FOUND OUT THAT MYSELF, I WAS NEVER  
4 LISTED ON THE CLEARINGHOUSE OF MISSING CHILDREN, ALTHOUGH I  
5 WAS A MISSING CHILD. SO THAT MAKES ME ALSO QUESTION HOW MANY  
6 CHILDREN ARE BEING MISSED? I REALLY, REALLY NEED TO OPPOSE  
7 THAT TERRY FRIEDMAN AND LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE ARE NOT PUT ON  
8 THIS COMMISSION DUE TO THE FACT THAT THERE ARE UNETHICAL  
9 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN MR. YAROSLAVSKY AND SOME OF THESE  
10 DEPENDENCY JUDGES. I HAVE DIRECT PROOF OF THIS. I BLUFFED TO  
11 MR. YAROSLAVSKY THAT I WAS GOING TO REQUEST JUDGE PELLMAN TO  
12 SANCTION THESE SERVICES AS THEY HAD FOR 48,000 DOLLARS IN JULY  
13 OF 2012. THAT WAS ON 11/2/2012. BY 11/9/2012 THERE WAS A  
14 WARRANT TO DETAIN MY CHILD AND LEAVE HIM WITH TWO CRIMINALS,  
15 TWO MENTALLY ILL, BOTH HAVE THIS ON RECORD AND ONE WAS EVEN  
16 CONVICTED OF INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER, WHICH MEANS SHE ALREADY  
17 HAD TO DO WITH THE DEATH OF ANOTHER HUMAN BEING. PLEASE  
18 RETHINK THESE CHOICES. I OPPOSE THIS. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

21

22 **MICHAEL RAMOS:** HI, I'M MICHAEL RAMOS. I'M HERE TO REPRESENT MY  
23 LITTLE BOY, GABRIEL FERNANDEZ. I WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON  
24 BECAUSE THE SOCIAL WORKERS DIDN'T REALLY DO ANYTHING FOR HIM.  
25 I NEED JUSTICE SERVED FOR HIM. AND I WANT TO KNOW WHAT SOCIAL



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1 WORKERS WERE APPOINTED TO GO TO THE HOUSE AND INVESTIGATE OR  
2 TO SEE HIM, TALK TO HIM OR ANYTHING. I DON'T KNOW -- I MEAN, I  
3 DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS SYSTEM OF SOCIAL WORKERS ARE THERE FOR  
4 THE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PROTECT OUR KIDS.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
7 TESTIMONY MR. RAMOS.

8

9 **MICHAEL RAMOS:** IT'S HARD FOR ME TO SPEAK. NEVER MIND, I'M  
10 DONE. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, I'M HERE WITH GABRIEL FERNANDEZ LIKE I HAVE  
15 BEEN HERE EVERY TUESDAY FOR THE PAST MONTH OR SO. BASICALLY  
16 THERE'S A LOT OF LIKE IN THE WHOLE SYSTEM OF CHILDREN'S  
17 SERVICES THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE BEING DONE WRONG.  
18 INITIALLY WITH GABRIEL THERE WAS NO PAPERWORK DONE SAYING WHO  
19 EVEN HAD HIM. SO IF YOU WANTED TO EVEN ASK WHO HAD CUSTODY OF  
20 GABRIEL, YOU COULDN'T EVEN PULL UP THAT RECORD BECAUSE NO ONE  
21 HAS IT. GABRIEL FERNANDEZ' UNCLE, MICHAEL, TRIED TO GET  
22 CUSTODY, BUT SOMEHOW THE SYSTEM, YOU KNOW, GAVE HIM "BUT" OR  
23 "NO YOU CAN'T." IT WAS NEVER DONE. HE NEVER HAD ANY PROBLEMS  
24 WITH GABRIEL. HE LOVED GABRIEL. HE SHOWED HIM, I GUESS, SHOWED  
25 HIM A LOT OF LOVE AND WAS THERE FOR HIM. SO WE'RE HERE ASKING



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1 THAT ALSO YOU PLEASE LOOK INTO HIS CASE AND SEE WHAT HAPPENED  
2 TO THE SUPERVISORS OR THE PEOPLE THAT WERE IN CHARGE OF  
3 GABRIEL'S CASE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
6 MA'AM? THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

7

8 **CALIESHA COPELAND:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CALIESHA COPELAND.  
9 AND I AM A PARENT OF A CHILD WHO IS CURRENTLY PART OF THE  
10 CHILDREN'S SERVICES. MY CHILD WAS ONE OF THOSE LOST CHILDREN.  
11 I FOUND MY CHILD, NOT THE SOCIAL WORKER. SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHERE  
12 SHE WAS. AND WHEN I CALLED ALL OF YOU GUYS, EMAILED ALL OF YOU  
13 GUYS, THE ONLY PERSON TO GET BACK TO ME WAS GLORIA MOLINA. AND  
14 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I FOUND MY CHILD. SHE HELPED ME FIND MY  
15 CHILD. SHE MADE SURE THAT SOMEONE CALLED ME BACK, THAT SOMEONE  
16 GOT A HOLD OF ME ABOUT IT. THE SOCIAL WORKER AND HER  
17 SUPERVISOR BOTH LIED TO THE OTHER SUPERVISORS AT T.D.M. SAYING  
18 THAT THEY KNEW WHERE MY DAUGHTER WAS. TO THIS MOMENT RIGHT  
19 NOW, MY DAUGHTER HAS BEEN SO-CALLED MOLESTED. AND HER SCHOOL  
20 TEACHER SAID THIS. AND NO ONE'S GETTING BACK TO ME ABOUT  
21 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH MY DAUGHTER. AND SHE'S STILL IN THE HOME  
22 WITH SOMEONE WHO IS ON OXYCODONE, SO-CALLED MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
23 AND OTHER HEAVY PAINKILLERS WHEN THIS PERSON IS ALSO DRIVING  
24 MY DAUGHTER BACK AND FORTH TO HER VISITS WITH ME OR ANYWHERE  
25 ELSE THAT MY DAUGHTER HAS TO GO. THEN ALSO MY DAUGHTER IS NOT



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1 BEING CARED FOR PROPERLY BECAUSE THEY'RE TRYING TO DECLARE HER  
2 RETARDED. SHE'S BEING TESTED. THEY'RE TRYING TO GIVE HER  
3 PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS. ALL OF THIS STUFF JUST BECAUSE MY  
4 DAUGHTER CRIES AND SAYS THAT SHE WANTS HER MOTHER. AND THEY'RE  
5 NOT DOING ANYTHING TO HELP ME TO GET MY DAUGHTER BACK WHEN  
6 I'VE DONE EVERYTHING THE COURTS HAVE REQUIRED FOR ME TO DO TO  
7 GET MY DAUGHTER BACK. AND I WANT SOMEONE TO CONTACT ME TO TALK  
8 WITH ME TO HELP ME SAVE MY CHILD FROM BEING THE NEXT GABRIEL  
9 FERNANDEZ. FORGIVE ME IF I FORGOT THE BABY'S NAME. HER NAME IS  
10 GRACE BROWN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **DENISE PAZ:** HI, MY NAME IS DENISE PAZ, AND I THINK THEY ARE  
15 CONTINUING TO APPOINT INSIDERS AS OPPOSED TO INDEPENDENT  
16 CITIZENS LIKE PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND OTHERS WHO HAVE  
17 EXPERIENCE DEALING WITH THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONSIDER  
18 APPOINTING SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO COME TO THESE MEETINGS  
19 REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE TRUE REPRESENTATIVES, OTHERWISE WE  
20 WILL CONTINUE HAVING THESE EPISODIC DEATHS OF THESE CHILDREN  
21 GETTING KILLED UNDER THE WATCH OF D.C.F.S. ALSO, BLUE RIBBON  
22 COMMITTEE IS USUALLY DONE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE KENNEDY'S  
23 ASSASSINATIONS, TERRORIST BOMBS, 9-11, AS A BOARD OF TRUSTEES,  
24 YOU OUGHT TO FEEL SHAME FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT, D.C.F.S., THAT  
25 YOU GUYS PROBABLY FUND WHATEVER THEY ASK YOU GUYS, YOU



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1 LITERALLY BEND BACKWARDS AND ARE NOT CARING FOR OUR CHILDREN.  
2 THIS DEPARTMENT IS ALWAYS APPROVED FOR EVERY ITEM WHEN PHILIP  
3 BROWNING COMES IN WITH HIS LITTLE VOICE AND YOU GUYS LIKE  
4 JUMP. YOU GUYS BEND BACKWARDS FOR HIM. THIS DEPARTMENT IS  
5 MAKING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LOOK LIKE STRAIGHT SUCKERS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT BRINGS ITEM  
8 NUMBER 10 BEFORE US AND THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM  
9 NUMBER 10. SEEING NO FURTHER DISCUSSIONS, SUPERVISOR  
10 YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A  
11 UNANIMOUS VOTE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU WILL SOON HAVE AN  
12 ANNOUNCEMENT WHEN THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION WILL COMMENCE ITS  
13 WORK. IT WILL BE IN THE PUBLIC SPACE, THEREFORE OPPORTUNITIES  
14 FOR YOU TO BE HEARD BEFORE THAT COMMISSION WILL BE MADE  
15 AVAILABLE. AND I SUSPECT YOU WILL FIND IT AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
16 EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS AND JOIN WITH THIS BOARD IN ITS EFFORT TO  
17 RESOLVE MANY OTHER PROBLEMS THAT WE FEEL FACE NOT ONLY THE  
18 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES BUT THE RANGE OF  
19 COOPERATING DEPARTMENTS. AND WITH THAT IN MIND, OUR MAXIMUM  
20 CONCERN AND OBJECTIVE IS CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION. MADAM  
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, NEXT ITEM.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I BELIEVE  
24 YOU WERE HOLDING ITEM NUMBER 15?

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NUMBER 15 AS CRITERIA FOR  
2 CAPITAL PROJECTS TO REPLACE EXISTING STRUCTURES. IT'S BEFORE  
3 US ESSENTIALLY TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE D.H.S. TO IMPLEMENT  
4 THE REVISED L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER POST-OCCUPANCY  
5 REPLACEMENT MODELING PHASE 2 PROJECT. ON JUNE THE 11TH, THE  
6 QUESTION WAS POSED BY WAY OF ADOPTION OF A MOTION TO HAVE A  
7 REPORT BACK ON THE CRITERIA BY WHICH ALL BOARD OFFICES WOULD  
8 BE GOVERNED WITH RESPECT TO HOW WE MADE THE DETERMINATION FOR  
9 SUPPORTING SUCH COSTS. THE QUESTION IS WHAT'S THE STATUS OF  
10 THAT REPORT BACK?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** MR. CHAIR, WE HAD SOME INITIAL CONFUSION  
13 REGARDING THE INTENT OF THE MOTION THAT HAS SINCE BEEN  
14 CLARIFIED. BUT WE WERE REMISS IN ASKING FOR AN EXTENSION. WE  
15 EXPECT TO HAVE THE REPORT TO YOUR BOARD WITHIN THE NEXT TWO  
16 WEEKS.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WHAT'S THE  
19 WILL OF THE BODY? SUPERVISOR MOLINA? ON ITEM NUMBER 15. WOULD  
20 YOU CHOOSE TO PROCEED CONTINGENT ON THE ITEM BEING AS  
21 REQUESTED ON JUNE 11TH COMING BACK TO US FOR CONSIDERATION?  
22 [SILENCE.] 15. WE CAN HOLD IT UNTIL THE C.E.O. SUBMITS THE  
23 DOCUMENTS OR WE CAN ADOPT IT NOW CONTINGENT ON THE REPORT  
24 COMING FORTH. I DEFER TO YOU IN TERMS OF YOUR PLEASURE. THIS  
25 IS L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. HOLD IT? OKAY. ALL RIGHT.



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1 WE'LL WAIT UNTIL WE RECEIVE THE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS FROM THE  
2 C.E.O. AND THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** TWO WEEKS, BILL? THANK YOU.  
7 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AT THIS  
10 TIME IT'S A LITTLE AFTER 11 O'CLOCK. YOU MAY WISH TO CALL UP  
11 ITEM S- S-1. CALL UP ITEM S-1.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. SET ITEM.  
14 AND IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD ACCORDINGLY, WE'D BE GLAD TO  
15 TAKE UP THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.  
16 RECONSIDERATION ON ITEM 15, THE REQUEST OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA,  
17 WE WILL MOVE ITEM NUMBER 15 FORTH. THERE'S NO OBJECTION. THAT  
18 WILL BE THE ORDER WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THE REPORT WILL  
19 COME TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION AS REQUESTED TWO WEEKS HENCE.  
20 THANK YOU. SIR?

21

22 **MERRICK BOBB:** GOOD MORNING. I'M MERRICK BOBB. AND I'M HERE TO  
23 DISCUSS THE STATUS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE BY  
24 THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW AND BY ME ON THE LOS ANGELES  
25 COUNTY JAILS. YOU'LL RECALL THAT I THINK IT WAS APPROXIMATELY



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1 OCTOBER OF 2011 SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA INTRODUCED A MOTION  
2 THAT VARIOUS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE OVER THE  
3 YEARS WITH RESPECT TO THE JAILS BE IMPLEMENTED. AND THAT ON A  
4 MONTHLY BASIS, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THIS BOARD  
5 AND TO ME ABOUT THE PROGRESS IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTING THOSE  
6 RECOMMENDATIONS. AND SINCE THAT TIME, YOU HAVE BEEN GETTING  
7 THOSE MONTHLY REPORTS AND THEY GENERALLY HAVE RECORDED  
8 SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN TERMS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
9 RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING PLACING CAMERAS WITHIN THE JAILS,  
10 USE OF FORCE POLICY, AND THE USE OF FORCE POLICY, POLICY  
11 AGAINST RETALIATION. THERE ARE THREE ISSUES THAT I'D LIKE TO  
12 BRIEFLY TOUCH UPON THAT ARE STILL IN PROGRESS. AND ALTHOUGH I  
13 THINK PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON THEM, I THINK IT IS USEFUL TO  
14 POINT THEM OUT. THE FIRST IS WITH RESPECT TO ROTATION OF  
15 DEPUTIES. I THINK YOU'LL RECALL THAT IN THE WAKE OF  
16 DISCLOSURES ABOUT CLIQUES WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL,  
17 PARTICULARLY MEN'S CENTRAL, AND PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO  
18 THE SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS, WE RECOMMENDED THAT THERE BE A  
19 ROTATION OF DEPUTIES AT FIXED INTERVALS SO THAT THE FORMATION  
20 OF CLIQUES WOULD NOT OCCUR AND THE RISK OF IT HAPPENING WOULD  
21 LESSEN. WE FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT THERE BE ROTATION ONLY  
22 WITHIN THE VARIOUS FACILITIES BUT ALSO BETWEEN THE FACILITIES.  
23 THAT LATTER, THE ROTATION BETWEEN THE FACILITIES, HAS NOT YET  
24 OCCURRED THERE ARE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BARGAINING UNIT WITH  
25 RESPECT TO THAT. AND ALSO A HOST OF LOGISTICAL AND OTHER



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1 DIFFICULTIES. THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO MAKE  
2 PROGRESS ON THAT ISSUE AND WE WILL BRING IT BACK TO THIS BOARD  
3 IN SIX MONTHS' TIME AFTER WE'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MORE  
4 FULLY STUDY THE MATTER. WITH RESPECT TO THE INTERNAL ROTATION,  
5 THERE'S BEEN SOME UPS AND DOWNS. IT REALLY, I THINK, WAS ONLY  
6 RELATIVELY RECENTLY THAT WE DID BEGIN TO HAVE THAT KIND OF  
7 COMPLETE ROTATION. TO MY SURPRISE AND CHAGRIN, SOME OF THE  
8 INFORMATION THAT I HAD RECEIVED ABOUT THAT TURNED OUT NOT TO  
9 BE AS ACCURATE AS I WOULD HAVE LIKED, AND INDEED THERE WAS AN  
10 ABSENCE OF REVISION IN SOME PLACES. WITH THAT, UNDER THE  
11 DIRECTION OF THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF AND THE COMMANDER HAS  
12 STOPPED. IN ADDITION TO THE ROTATION, THE OTHER THING THAT I  
13 WOULD NOTE IS THAT USE OF FORCE WITHIN THE JAILS AS REPORTED  
14 IS HIGHER IN 2013 ON AN ANNUALIZED BASIS THAN IT WAS IN 2012.  
15 COMPARISONS BETWEEN THE TWO YEARS ARE A LITTLE BIT DIFFICULT  
16 BECAUSE OF A CHANGE IN THE WAY THEY WERE REPORTED, BUT EVEN  
17 THOUGH THERE IS AN UP-TICK IN FORCE, IT IS MAINLY IN THE  
18 LOWEST LEVEL OF FORCE, CATEGORY 1, AND, THUS, AT THIS POINT  
19 I'M NOT TERRIBLY CONCERNED. BUT I CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THAT  
20 ISSUE QUITE CAREFULLY AND WILL WANT TO HAVE CONTINUING  
21 DIALOGUE WITH THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT EFFORTS TO KEEP FORCE DOWN.  
22 IT MAY BE -- AND THIS IS WHAT I HOPE IT TURNS OUT TO BE --  
23 THAT FORCE IS BEING REPORTED MORE FAITHFULLY THAN IT WAS IN  
24 THE PAST. CERTAINLY IN THE PAST, WE NOTED THAT NOT ALL FORCE  
25 HAS REPORTABLE WAS, IN FACT, BEING REPORTED. THEREFORE IF THEY



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1 ARE REPORTING MORE FORCE, THAT MAY ACCOUNT FOR AT LEAST PART  
2 OF THE UP-TIC. BUT AS I HAVE SAID, I'M FOLLOWING THAT ISSUE  
3 WITH GREAT CARE. THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF AND THE COMMANDER ARE  
4 BOTH AWARE OF THOSE ISSUES AND ARE BOTH WORKING WITH ME ON  
5 THEM. THE THIRD ISSUE THAT I HAD RAISED IS THE STATUS OF THE  
6 TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THE JAILS. AS YOU MAY RECALL, THERE WAS A  
7 SYSTEM CALLED FAST, OR IS A SYSTEM CALLED FAST, THAT RECORDED  
8 CERTAIN STATISTICAL DATA ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE OF THE JAILS  
9 BUT DID NOT TRACK USE OF FORCE OR INMATE COMPLAINTS BY DEPUTY  
10 NAME. AND WE HAD RECOMMENDED FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME AN  
11 OVERHAUL OF THE PPI TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL TOPICS AND ONE OF  
12 THE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS WAS INMATE COMPLAINT AND USE OF FORCE.  
13 THAT STILL IS IN THE WORKS. THERE ARE NEGOTIATIONS ON AN  
14 ONGOING BASIS WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AS I UNDERSTAND. AND  
15 WE'RE LOOKING TO A RESOLUTION OF THAT ISSUE SHORTLY. CERTAINLY  
16 IF WE CAN, A UNIFIED COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEM, BUSINESS  
17 INTELLIGENCE FOR THE P.P.I. FOR THE VERY DATA THAT TERRI NEEDS  
18 AND THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS AND THE INDIVIDUAL CAPTAINS AND SO  
19 FORTH NEED AT ALL THE FACILITIES WOULD BE GOOD. THE LAST THING  
20 I WANT TO MENTION IS WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF SUPERVISION.  
21 AND AS YOU RECALL, WE HAD SERIOUS QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EXTENT  
22 AND QUALITY OF SUPERVISION WITHIN THE JAILS. AND WE  
23 RECOMMENDED THAT THERE BE ADDITIONAL SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS  
24 WITHIN THE JAIL FACILITIES SO AS TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF  
25 SUPERVISION THAT WAS LACKING. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT



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1 THERE IS BEFORE THE BOARD EFFORTS TO APPROVE THE ADDITION OF  
2 PERSONNEL IN THE JAILS, AND I WOULD URGE YOUR FAVORABLE  
3 CONSIDERATION OF THAT. THAT'S MY REPORT. AND I'D BE HAPPY TO  
4 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ANY OF YOU HAVE.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE THANK YOU VERY  
7 MUCH FOR YOUR REPORT, MR. BOBB. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY  
8 QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESENTER AT THIS POINT?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D BE INTERESTED IN HEARING FROM  
11 THE DEPARTMENT WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION, OR IT SAYS  
12 THE RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION THAT WAS APPROVED ON ITEM  
13 NUMBER 15, WHICH IS THE ROLLOUT TEAM AND THE C.F.R.T. AS TO  
14 HOW IT'S OPERATING AND FUNCTIONING?

15

16 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, MA'AM OF. THANK YOU. TERRI MCDONALD L.A.  
17 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO IT'S BEEN A VERY, VERY  
18 SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. WE HAVE A GROUP OF  
19 SERGEANTS WHOSE JOB IS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF LIEUTENANT TO  
20 RECEIVE CONTACT FROM THE JAILS WHENEVER THERE'S A USE OF FORCE  
21 INCIDENT. DEPENDING ON THE COMPLEXITY OR SEVERITY OF THAT USE  
22 OF FORCE INCIDENT, THEY MAY ROLL -- OR INTERNAL AFFAIRS MAY  
23 ROLL TO THAT EVENT THAT DAY. LET'S ASSUME THAT IT WAS A LESSER  
24 OR LESS COMPLEX USE OF FORCE INCIDENT. THEY MAY NOT ROLL TO  
25 IT. THEY CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE FORCE ITSELF, REVIEWING



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1 VIDEOTAPES, REVIEWING REPORTS, ASKING CLARIFYING QUESTIONS,  
2 SEEKING GUIDANCE. THEY ALSO PREPARE CASES TO PRESENT TO THE  
3 CUSTODY FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE WHICH ARE COMMAND LEVEL STAFF  
4 WHO REVIEW USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS. SO THEY'RE DOING A VERY  
5 GOOD JOB OF EVALUATING FORCE IN THE JAILS. AND I ALSO USE THEM  
6 THROUGH THE COMMANDER, TO GIVE ME DRILL DOWN REPORTS ON FORCE.  
7 THERE MAY BE AN AREA IN WHICH, LIKE USE OF FORCE IS UP, FOR  
8 EXAMPLE. LET'S DRILL DOWN INTO THAT AND FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING  
9 ON. SO NOT ONLY ARE THEY DEALING WITH DAY-TO-DAY REVIEW OF  
10 FORCE, BUT THEY'RE ALSO DEALING WITH TRENDS ANALYSIS ISSUES  
11 LIKE THAT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHEN YOU HAVE A SITUATION WHERE YOU HAVE  
14 NOTIFICATIONS LIKE YOU DO FROM THE NUMBERS THAT WAS PRESENTED  
15 BY MERRICK BOBB AND YOU HAVE MINIMAL AMOUNT OF RESPONSES, IT'S  
16 BECAUSE OF THE SEVERITY OF IT? OR THERE'S BEEN A DETERMINATION  
17 THAT THE INTENSITY OF THIS TEAM ISN'T NECESSARY, IS THAT  
18 CORRECT?

19

20 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S NOT FOR A LACK OF NOT WANTING TO CARRY IT  
23 OUT BECAUSE YOU'VE MADE A DETERMINATION?

24

25 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, MA'AM.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON ISSUE OF ON DUAL TRACK. ARE WE ON TRACK WITH  
3 THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF DUAL TRACK?

4

5 **TERRI MCDONALD:** WE ARE. THE NEXT SLIDE SHOW WE'LL DO IN REGARD  
6 TO S-2, THE SERGEANT'S EXAM THIS LAST WEEKEND WAS AN EXAMPLE  
7 WHERE PEOPLE ACTUALLY SIGNED UP FOR DUAL TRACK. YOU'LL SEE ON  
8 THE POWERPOINT WE HAD A GOOD RESPONSE FOR PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO  
9 TEST FOR THE CUSTODY SERGEANT ONLY EXAM AS WELL AS A VERY GOOD  
10 RESPONSE FOR OUR EMPLOYEES WHO WANTED TO TEST FOR BOTH, BE  
11 ELIGIBLE FOR PATROL AND CUSTODY SERGEANT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** JUST SO WE CAN CLARIFY, THE DUAL TRACK ISSUE  
14 REALLY ALLOWS A CUSTODY ASSISTANT OR CUSTODY DEPUTY -- A  
15 CUSTODY DEPUTY TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO HAVE UPWARD MOBILITY UP  
16 TO A CERTAIN POINT, IS THAT CORRECT?

17

18 **TERRI MCDONALD:** IT'S REALLY COUPLE OF THINGS. ONE, THE  
19 DEPUTIES NOW CAN STAY WITHIN THE JAIL SYSTEM IF THEY SO  
20 CHOOSE. THERE'S NO PRESSURE TO GO TO PATROL AT ANY POINT. SO  
21 THIS E CAN SIMPLY SAY: I'D LIKE TO STAY WITHIN THE JAIL. THEN  
22 THERE'S A SERIES OF UPWARD MOBILITY EXAMS THAT WILL OCCUR THAT  
23 ARE CUSTODY-RELATED. SO DEPUTY TO SERGEANT, SERGEANT TO  
24 LIEUTENANT ARE EXAMPLES OF DUAL TRACK TESTS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT. AND THEN JUST FINALLY ON  
2 THE ISSUE OF THAT CUSTODY DEPUTY, IF THERE IS SOMEONE THAT  
3 WANTS TO MAKE A CAREER PATH OF CUSTODY, IS THAT TRAINING  
4 DIFFERENT AND SEPARATED FROM THE KIND OF TRAINING THAT YOU  
5 WOULD NORMALLY HAVE FOR A DEPUTY?

6

7 **TERRI MCDONALD:** EVERYBODY THAT'S HIRED INTO THE SHERIFF'S  
8 DEPARTMENT GETS THE POST CERTIFIED PATROL TRAINING. ONCE THEY  
9 COME OVER TO CUSTODY, IF WE GET THE APPROVAL FOR THE CUSTODY  
10 TRAINING BUREAU ITEMS, THEY'LL GET SPECIALIZED TRAINING WITHIN  
11 CUSTODY THAT'S ALL CUSTODY-RELATED TYPE WORK. THEY GET IT KNOW  
12 YOU BUT IT WILL BE MORE ENHANCED WITH CUSTODY TRAINING BUREAU.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS PART OF THE TRAINING IN CUSTODY, DOES IT DEAL  
15 WITH THE ISSUE OF CALMING DOWN A SITUATION? IT IS?

16

17 **TERRI MCDONALD:** DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES, THAT'S ALSO TAUGHT  
18 IN THE ACADEMY, AS WELL. HANDLING INMATES, ISSUES LIKE THAT  
19 ARE ALL PART OF THAT CUSTODY TRAINING.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT IS?

22

23 **TERRI MCDONALD:** IT WILL BE. WE DO IT NOW BUT I WANT THE  
24 RESOURCES TO DO IT MORE ROBUST. WE NEED THE RESOURCES TO DO IT  
25 THOUGH.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** THOSE WERE THE AREAS MOST TROUBLING, THE  
3 ESCALATION AND CERTAINLY ISSUES FOR MENTAL HEALTH.

4

5 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
10 QUESTIONS? IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THE OTHER QUESTIONS WOULD  
11 BE APPROPRIATE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR REPORT, MR. BOBB. TO THE  
12 SHERIFF, THE RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT THE SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS AT  
13 THE REMAINING JAILS SEEMS TO ME A STATUS REPORT FOR THE BOARD  
14 WOULD BE USEFUL SO THAT WHAT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION AS A  
15 VERY BASIC WAY OF MONITORING THE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH HAS BEEN  
16 DELAYED IN TERMS OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION FOR A SIGNIFICANT  
17 PERIOD OF TIME, REGULARLY SCHEDULED STATUS REPORTS THAT GIVE  
18 UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SURVEILLANCE WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL  
19 TO THE BOARD. THE WORKING GROUP TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF  
20 ROTATING DEPUTIES AMONG APPROXIMATING FACILITIES, AN EFFORT AT  
21 INNOVATION, FLEXIBILITY AND KEEPING THINGS FRESH, NEW EYES SO  
22 THAT THEY DON'T BECOME CALCIFIED IN ANY PARTICULAR FACILITY,  
23 TIMELINE FOR THAT IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTATION WOULD BE USEFUL,  
24 SHERIFF MCDONALD. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT TRACKING  
25 WHETHER THERE HAS BEEN ANY DEVIATION FROM THE POLICIES AND



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1 PROCEDURES AS PROJECTED WOULD BE HELPFUL. IN OTHER WORDS, THE  
2 REPORT HAS TO LIVE IN REAL TIME, AND THE BOARD NEEDS TO BE  
3 ROUTINELY, CONSISTENTLY, REGULARLY UPDATED SO THAT ANY ISSUES  
4 THAT WE MIGHT BE HELPFUL ON, ANY ISSUES THAT THE PUBLIC  
5 DESERVES TO KNOW ABOUT, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME CONSISTENT WITH  
6 THE JAIL VIOLENCE COMMITTEE'S WORK IN THE GENERIC SENSE, THE  
7 SPIRIT OF IT WOULD HELP US MOVE THIS AGENDA OF REFORM FORWARD.  
8 CAN WE COUNT ON YOU IN THAT REGARD? YOUR RESPONSE, PLEASE?

9

10 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, SIR. WE'LL HAVE THAT FOR YOU NEXT AND  
11 THEN WE'LL DO IT ROUTINELY AT EVERY FUTURE EVENT WHERE WE CAN  
12 TALK ABOUT TRENDS OR ANY ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP SINCE OUR  
13 LAST REPORT, YES, SIR.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT IS THE  
16 QUESTIONS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** THESE IMPORTANT ITEMS, I STILL THINK THAT IN  
19 ORDER TO REALLY BE COMPREHENSIVE, THEY SHOULD BE SET ASIDE SO  
20 WE CAN TAKE A FULL DAY TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THEM, PARTICULARLY  
21 AS THE NEXT REPORT THAT COMES IN. BUT I'M MOST TROUBLED BY THE  
22 FACT THAT THE SHERIFF IS NOT IN ATTENDANCE. AND I THINK THAT  
23 NEEDS TO BE NOTED. WE NEED TO FIND THAT THE SHERIFF WILL BE  
24 ATTENTIVE TO THESE ISSUES. I JUST DON'T THINK -- WE ATTEND  
25 THESE MEETINGS. HE SHOULD BE ATTENDING THESE MEETINGS. AND HE



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1 SHOULD BE LISTENING TO THESE ISSUES. IT TROUBLES ME. AND I  
2 THINK WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIND A PATHWAY TO GET THE SHERIFF  
3 TO BE ATTENTIVE TO THESE ITEMS. THEY'RE SCHEDULED WITH PLENTY  
4 OF TIME. I I KNOW HE HAS A BUSY SCHEDULE OUT OF TOWN ON A  
5 REGULAR BASIS, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF WE COULD FIND A TIME  
6 THAT THESE WOULD BE SCHEDULED WITH HIM IN ATTENDANCE.

7

8 **TERRI MCDONALD:** MA'AM, I KNOW THIS WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO HIM.  
9 THIS ITEM GOT MOVED A WEEK. AND THERE IS AN EMPLOYEE HEROIC  
10 EVENT THAT HE'S IN TOWN TODAY. AND SO I APOLOGIZE. I SHOULD  
11 HAVE SAID THAT WHEN I GOT HERE THAT HAS BEEN PLANNED FOR  
12 MONTHS IN ADVANCE. BUT I'LL MAKE SURE AND SHARE YOUR CONCERNS  
13 WITH THE SHERIFF.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. DULY NOTED. THEN THIS  
16 IS BY DESIGN TO BE COLLABORATIVE, WHICH MEANS THAT THERE HAS  
17 TO BE EYEBALL TO EYE- BALL WITH THE SHERIFF. HE'S MADE IT  
18 PUBLICLY KNOWN THAT THAT IS WHAT HE DESIRES. THE ABSENCE OF  
19 SUCH CREATES ANOTHER DYNAMIC. THEREFORE, I THINK THE POINT HAS  
20 BEEN WELL MADE. YOUR RESPONSE IS UNDERSTANDABLE AND  
21 APPROPRIATE. ON A GO FORWARD BASIS, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
22 THE DIALOGUE REPRESENTS ESSENTIALLY BOTH SIDES OF THE  
23 DISCUSSION AND ALL THE APPROPRIATE STAKEHOLDERS IN PLACE. OF  
24 COURSE, WE WELCOME YOUR CONSTANT AND SUSTAINED PARTICIPATION,  
25 AS WELL. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE THIS REPORT AT



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1 THIS POINT, BUT THERE ARE PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON S-1.  
2 WE WILL CALL THEM AT THIS POINT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. JOHN  
3 WALSH, TERESIJA SIGMUND, ANGELA LUSSIER, ARNOLD SACHS,  
4 PATRICIA MULCAHEY, ERIC PREVEN MELLO DESIRE. MR. WALSH?

5

6 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.  
7 YOU CAN GO RIGHT OVER THERE TO JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL OR GO  
8 DIRECTLY TO JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL. I HAVE TO SAY SOME GOOD THINGS  
9 ABOUT THE SHERIFF. WE HAD A BASH MOB IN HOLLYWOOD, 30 OR 40  
10 CAME IN. ONE OF THEM -- THEY ACTUALLY REMOVED A CASH REGISTER.  
11 THEY CONTROLLED HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD FOR OVER AN HOUR. NOW, HOW  
12 DID THEY GET THERE? THEY GOT THERE, THESE CRIMINALS, BY THE  
13 M.T.A. SUBWAY. BUT THEY DIDN'T ACT UP ON THE SUBWAY, DID THEY?  
14 BECAUSE THEY KNEW THE SHERIFFS WERE THERE. AND THEY KNEW --  
15 AND THE M.T.A. POLICE, THEY KNEW THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN CAUGHT.  
16 THEY WENT TO HOLLYWOOD WHERE THE L.A.P.D. IS AND THEY FEASTED  
17 ON PEOPLE. THEY BEAT UP TOURISTS. YOU HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT,  
18 THERE WAS A RAPE. BUT NOTHING HAPPENED ANYWHERE NEAR THE  
19 STATIONS OR TOPSIDE NEAR THE STATIONS OR DOWNSTAIRS IN THE  
20 SYSTEM BECAUSE THE SHERIFFS AND YOUR OWN POLICE, M.T.A.  
21 POLICE, WOULDN'T ALLOW IT. MEANWHILE, BECK LOOKED LIKE A FOOL.  
22 BECK LOOKED LIKE A FOOL. AND DO YOU KNOW I'VE ATTACKED  
23 ANTONIO. WHEN ANTONIO WAS THE MAYOR OF THIS CITY, THIS CITY  
24 WAS UNDER CONTROL FOR EIGHT YEARS. WE BROUGHT IN A NEW MAYOR,  
25 AND AFTER 15 DAYS, THE CITY IS OUT OF CONTROL BECAUSE YOU



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1 DON'T SEND A BOY TO DO A MAN'S JOB. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.  
2 THANKS TO THE SHERIFF FOR PREVENTING ALL THAT CRIME ON THE  
3 SUBWAY. LET IT BE UP IN HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD WHERE THE KEYSTONE  
4 COPS, ALSO KNOWN AS THE L.A. P.D. REIGNED.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SIR?

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
9 DISTRICT 3. I APPRECIATE THAT MERRICK BOBB CAME DOWN. I  
10 APPRECIATE HIS YEARS OF SERVICE. AND I APPLAUD SUPERVISOR  
11 MOLINA FOR QUESTIONING WHERE THE SHERIFF IS. THE SHERIFF DOES  
12 TRAVEL AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT. I THINK WE'VE SEEN THAT. AND I  
13 THINK THAT HIS PRESENCE IS REQUIRED IF WE'RE GOING TO  
14 MEANINGFULLY SOLVE SOME OF THESE ISSUES ABOUT EXCESSIVE FORCE  
15 IN OUR JAILS. THE MERRICK BOBB REPORT HAS NOT BEEN ESPECIALLY  
16 ROBUST. IT DOES PROVIDE A PERCENTAGE OF USE OF FORCE BASED ON  
17 THE PREVIOUS PERIOD. AND AS WE HEARD HIM SAY WITH SOME  
18 CONCERN, 28.63 PERCENT INCREASE FROM THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR  
19 AGO IS WORRISOME. IT'S VERY WORRISOME. AND CATEGORY 1 FORCE IS  
20 BASICALLY A LOT OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF FORCE THAT DOES NOT  
21 RESULT IN A LASTING INJURY. SO BE CLEAR ABOUT THAT AS WE MOVE  
22 FORWARD. THE SHERIFF'S EFFORTS TO REWRITE HIS USE OF FORCE  
23 MANUAL WHICH I THINK WE WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT S-2 FROM MR.  
24 DROOYAN HAS BEEN GOING ON AND ON. FRANKLY, IT IS CONFUSING.  
25 COUNTY COUNSEL, TO BE FAIR, HAS INSERTED THEMSELVES IN THE



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1 PROCESS. SO THAT'S TO BE ATTRIBUTED. SOME OF THE CONFUSION IS  
2 DUE TO THEIR OWN CONFUSION. THE BOTTOM LINE IS: WE AT ONE TIME  
3 HAD A 157-PAGE USE-OF-FORCE MANUAL. ALL THE SUPERVISORS SAID  
4 THIS IS ILLEGIBLE. THE PEOPLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENS  
5 COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE, ALL THOSE ATTORNEYS CAME DOWN  
6 HERE, TESTIFIED AND SAID YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME. THIS IS  
7 UNINTERPRETABLE. IT'S INSANE. AND THEN THEY'VE GONE OFF AND  
8 DONE A REWRITE, APPARENTLY. BUT IT'S BEEN VERY TRICKY TO GET A  
9 COPY WITH A DATE ON IT OF THAT REWRITE. NOW APPARENTLY IT WILL  
10 FINALLY BE FORTHCOMING. I'VE HAD EMAILS SAYING HERE IT IS. BUT  
11 IT'S SOMETHING ELSE. WHAT WE REALLY NEED. I BEG FOR ONE MORE  
12 SECOND, SIR. I KNOW YOU'RE READY TO SHUT ME DOWN. LET'S BE  
13 ABLE TO TELL UNCLE FRED, AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE COUNTY, GO TO  
14 THE SHERIFF'S WEBSITE AND GO TO THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTION,  
15 INSERT INSTRUCTION HERE SO THAT YOU CAN ACCESS THAT FORCE  
16 MANUAL.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE WELCOME, SIR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T HAVE THE LIST OF CARDS. MA'AM, WOULD  
23 YOU GO AHEAD? YOU GO FIRST.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** OKAY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IDENTIFY YOURSELF, PLEASE.

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4 **SPEAKER:** I HOPE THAT MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL BE ABLE TO HEAR  
5 SOME OF THIS, TOO. WHEN IT COMES TO, I GUESS, OVERSIGHT IN OUR  
6 JAILS AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE NEED TO START WHERE IT  
7 STARTS. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE IN JAIL  
8 COME FROM THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, GIVEN THE FACT THAT A LARGE  
9 PERCENTAGE OF GIRLS IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM BECOME  
10 PROSTITUTES AND ARE ARRESTED AND BECOME DRUG ADDICTS, I THINK  
11 WHAT WE REALLY NEED TO DO BEFORE WE CONSIDER CAMERAS ANYWHERE  
12 ELSE, WE NEED TO FIGURE WHY DO THE SOCIAL WORKERS NOT HAVE  
13 CAMERAS IN THEIR CARS? WHY DO NOT -- THEY DO. THEY HAVE THEIR  
14 CAMERAS ON THEIR PHONES AVAILABLE, BUT THEY DON'T USE THEM.  
15 WHY DON'T WE REQUIRE THEM TO USE THEM WHEN THEY HAVE -- WHEN  
16 THEY ARE MAKING THESE ALLEGATIONS AND REPORTS TO THE COURT  
17 WITH NO BACKUP WHATSOEVER? I HAD A SITUATION WHERE A CAMERA  
18 WOULD HAVE BEEN PERFECT. THE SOCIAL WORKER WAS ABLE TO MAKE  
19 ANY ALLEGATION SHE WANTED TO. SHE MADE AN ALLEGATION THAT WAS  
20 COMPLETELY FALSE AND PERJURIOUS. AND IF SHE WOULD HAVE HAD A  
21 CAMERA AND TAKEN PICTURES, SHE WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROVE  
22 HER POINT; BUT SHE DIDN'T AND SHE COULDN'T. BUT THERE'S NO  
23 REASON FOR THAT. THEY SHOULD HAVE TO DOCUMENT. THESE CHILDREN  
24 ARE BEING DETAINED. THESE CHILDREN ARE OUR MOST VALUABLE  
25 RESOURCES, UNFORTUNATELY THEY'RE BEING USED AS HUMAN RESOURCES



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1 WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES. THERE NEEDS TO BE  
2 OVERSIGHT THERE. THERE NEEDS TO BE CAMERAS. THE SOCIAL WORKERS  
3 NEED TO DOCUMENT THIS STUFF, WHETHER IT'S GOOD OR BAD. THEY  
4 NEED TO BE UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE AT THIS POINT. WE'RE IN  
5 BAD SHAPE. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU. AND WE'LL TAKE THE  
8 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

9

10 **TRESIJA SIGMUND:** THIS IS TERESIJA SIGMUND. I'M ALSO IN FAVOR  
11 OF CAMERAS BECAUSE TRANSPARENCY IS A BEAUTIFUL THING. HOWEVER,  
12 WE STILL HAVE NOT ADDRESSED THE RACIAL PROFILING THAT'S TAKING  
13 PLACE FAR BEFORE ANY ARREST IS BEING MADE. AND I THINK THAT  
14 THE STATISTICS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. WE HAVE A MAJORITY OF  
15 PEOPLE BEING MINORITIES. AND FOR SOME REASON THEY HAVE THE  
16 HARSHTEST SENTENCES. WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS: YOU'RE SO BUSY  
17 TALKING ABOUT EXCESSIVE FORCE, BUT THE CONSEQUENCES ARE NOT  
18 WHAT THEY NEED TO BE. THERE HAS TO BE ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ANY  
19 RACIST STATEMENT WITHIN L.A. COUNTY OR, AS A MATTER OF FACT BY  
20 ANY COUNTY, ANY PLACE ON THIS PLANET SHOULD NOT HAVE WHAT WE  
21 HAVE GOING ON HERE, WHICH IS THE AFTEREFFECT. YOU'RE  
22 ADDRESSING A PUNCHED NOSE BUT YOU'RE NOT ADDRESSING THE  
23 PUNCHER OF THAT NOSE. AND SO THE PROBLEM IS YOU'RE HAVING SOME  
24 SOLUTIONS WITHOUT ADDRESSING THE ROOT OF IT. THE PEOPLE, THE  
25 OFFICERS THAT HAVE THIS KIND OF BEHAVIOR ON THEIR RECORD, THEY



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1 CAN'T BE SLAPPED ON THE WRIST. THIS IS NOT A SLAPPING OF THE  
2 WRIST MATTER. THIS IS A SLAPPING YOU OUT OF THE OFFICE MATTER.  
3 THIS IS AN THIS IS IT MATTER. IF YOU HAVE ZERO TOLERANCE, THIS  
4 WOULDN'T TAKE PLACE. YOU WOULD HAVE LESS PRISONERS TO BEGIN  
5 WITH. I JUST HAPPEN TO KNOW THAT THE STATISTIC THAT FIVE TIMES  
6 MORE PRISONERS IN THE AMERICA OPPOSED TO THE REST OF THE WORLD  
7 IS A FALSE STATEMENT ABOUT THIS COUNTRY. THIS COUNTRY HAS  
8 AMAZING PEOPLE. THEY CAN'T ALL BE BAD ALL THE TIME. AND THEY  
9 CAN'T BE FIVE TIMES MORE WORTH PUTTING IN JAIL FOR. SO IT'S  
10 ALL GREAT YOU HAVE THIS FANCY SOLUTION, AND THEY NEED TO BE IN  
11 PLACE. BUT ONE DOESN'T EXCLUDE THE OTHER. YOU HAVE TO HAVE THE  
12 EYES ON THE BALL. AND THE BALL IS: WHY ARE THERE -- I MEAN  
13 PRISON SYSTEM IS A BUSINESS. THIS IS NOT A BUSINESS. THIS IS  
14 HUMAN LIFE. AND YOU BETTER RESPECT IT BECAUSE SOMEBODY WILL  
15 FORCE YOU TO DO SO. NOT ME.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. PATRICIA?

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19 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** YES, HI. IN REGARDS TO THIS -- I HAVE  
20 SOMETHING HERE THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT IF POSSIBLE. IT'S A  
21 CALIFORNIA JUDGE BENCH GUIDELINES. IF THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE.  
22 COULD I SUBMIT THAT? OKAY. THIS IS MY ONLY COPY SO I'D LIKE IT  
23 BACK. I'D LIKE YOU TO CIRCULATE IT. AND ALSO NUMBER 2 IS WHEN  
24 OUR CHILDREN WERE FIRST TAKEN, I DO BELIEVE THAT THEY HAD A  
25 LITTLE GRUDGE AGAINST ME BECAUSE I MET WITH THE AUDIT MANAGER



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1 OF H.H.R. SEPTEMBER 4, 2001 IN REGARDS TO YOUR FORMER, SHE WAS  
2 FORMER C.E.O., D.C.F.S., ANITA BACH. SO WE COULD CERTAINLY  
3 LOOK INTO THAT. LIKE I SAID, THIS DATE WAS SEPTEMBER THE  
4 FOURTH, 2001. AND ALSO IN REGARDS TO OUR DOCTOR FROM KAISER,  
5 DR. STONE STATED THAT HE SAW NO SIGN OR EVIDENCE OF ABUSE IN  
6 REGARDS TO OUR CHILDREN, BUT OUR CHILDREN WERE STILL TAKEN.  
7 COULD THAT BE POSSIBLE BECAUSE IT WAS A HEALTH BUILD S-511  
8 THAT WAS PASSED IN CONGRESS, THOMAS? MOLINA? WOULD ANYONE CARE  
9 TO ANSWER MY QUESTION?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MAY PROCEED.

12

13 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** AND ALSO HERE, I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS  
14 ALSO IN REGARDS TO WHEN MY DAUGHTER WAS SEXUALLY ABUSED FROM  
15 AGE 10 TO 12, 50 TO 75 TIMES. WE HAD TO PAY THAT IN CHILD  
16 SUPPORT FAMILY WHICH BANKRUPT OUR FAMILY WHICH COST MY HUSBAND  
17 OVER 150,000. IT MADE US LOSE OUR CONDOMINIUM ALSO BECAUSE OF  
18 ALL THE LITTLE PROGRAMS THAT YOU WANT US TO SEE, OKAY? AND  
19 ALSO COULD SOMEBODY CHECK INTO THE CASE SO THAT WAS HEARD JUNE  
20 THE 19TH, 2013 IN REGARDS TO THE FOSTER WARDS AND THE JUVENILE  
21 DELINQUENTS BEING FORCE FED PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS. THAT WAS HEARD  
22 IN SAN FRANCISCO GOLDEN GATE COURT, JUNE 19, 2013.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MA'AM?

25



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1 **CALIESHA COPELAND:** HI. CALIESHA COPELAND. I WOULD LIKE FOR THE  
2 SOCIAL WORKERS TO HAVE TO WEAR THE CAMERAS BECAUSE I'VE HAD MY  
3 PERSONAL SOCIAL WORKER LIE ON ME NUMEROUS TIMES IN COURT  
4 REPORTS AND UNDER OATH IN THE COURT. AND THEY DID NOTHING  
5 ABOUT IT. EVEN THOUGH I WAS ABLE TO PROVE THAT WHEN SHE SAID  
6 MY THERAPIST SAID NEGATIVE THINGS ABOUT ME AND THE THERAPIST  
7 WROTE A LETTER STATING THAT SHE DID NOT SAY IT, THEY DIDN'T DO  
8 ANYTHING TO CHANGE OR TO CHASTISE HER ABOUT HER LYING TO THE  
9 COURT. SHE'S ALSO TOLD THE COURTS THAT I'D THROW MY FIST UP AT  
10 HER LIKE I WAS GOING TO PUNCH HER. IF THERE WAS A CAMERA, IT  
11 WOULD BE SEEN THAT NONE OF THIS EVER HAPPENED. I'M FIGHTING  
12 RIGHT NOW THE SOCIAL WORKER IN HER NOT LIKING ME, AND YES, I  
13 DON'T LIKE HER, EITHER. THIS IS NOT ABOUT ME BEING A PARENT TO  
14 MY CHILD. AND SO WITH THE EVIDENCE THAT WOULD BE ON A CAMERA,  
15 IT WOULD SHOW CLEARLY WHAT SHE'S DONE WITH MY DAUGHTER,  
16 SPEAKING NEGATIVELY TO MY DAUGHTER, TELLING HER "OH, YOU'RE  
17 NEVER GOING HOME TO YOUR MOTHER", AND "OH, YOU NEED TO SAY  
18 GOODBYE TO YOUR MOTHER FOREVER" WHY ARE YOU TELLING THIS  
19 SEVEN-YEAR-OLD CHILD THIS THAT'S GOING TO CRY AND TELLING HER  
20 SHE'S HER BEST FRIEND AND MY DAUGHTER CANNOT TRUST ME? AND  
21 THEN I VISIT WITH MY DAUGHTER AND MY DAUGHTER'S TELLING ME  
22 THAT "MOMMY, YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO LEARN" WHAT ARE YOU TELLING  
23 MY CHILD? IF THEY'RE WEARING THESE CAMERAS, THEN EVERYTHING  
24 WILL BE DOCUMENTED FOR YOU ALL TO SEE HOW D.C.F.S. IS TEARING  
25 FAMILIES APART. [APPLAUSE.] THEY ARE NOT DOING ANYTHING TO



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1 PULL US TOGETHER. NO REUNIFICATION AT ALL. SO I WANT YOU GUYS  
2 TO LISTEN. YOU GUYS NEED TO PUT CAMERAS ON THESE PEOPLE  
3 BECAUSE THEY'RE LIARS. THEY ARE SO DECEITFUL. THEY ARE  
4 STEALING MONEY RIGHT OUT OF THIS WHOLE SYSTEM, AND YOU GUYS  
5 DON'T EVEN SEE IT YOURSELVES.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **MELLO DESIRE:** HI. MY NAME IS MELLO DESIRE. MY MAIN IMPLICATION  
10 IS TO CREATE ALTERNATIVES FOR YOUTH SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO END  
11 UP IN THE SYSTEM, WHETHER IT'S THROUGH FOSTER CARE, JUVENILE  
12 DETENTION CENTER AND EVENTUALLY GRADUATE TO TWIN TOWERS OR  
13 CENTRAL. BECAUSE OF THE CORRUPTNESS OF MANY PROBATION  
14 OFFICERS, SOCIAL WORKERS THAT WE LEAVE MANY OF OUR KIDS IN  
15 THEIR CARE DUE TO THE LACK OF RESOURCE CENTERS THAT'S OUT  
16 THERE, A LOT OF THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT BAD CHILDREN. AS A  
17 MATTER OF FACT, IT'S BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ANY RESOURCES FOR  
18 THEM TO DO ANYTHING ELSE OTHER THAN JOIN GANGS OR BE A TERROR  
19 IN A NEIGHBORHOOD, SO TO SPEAK. IF WE IMPLICATE MORE  
20 PERFORMING ARTS CENTERS, WHICH IS WHAT I AM WORKING ON A  
21 PROGRAM TO REHABILITATE MANY OF THESE YOUTHS WHO ARE JUST  
22 LOOKING FOR A WAY OUT JUST TO SING A SONG OR TO DANCE OR TO  
23 MAKE MUSIC, A LOT OF THESE ARTISTS ARE OUR YOUTH THAT HAVE  
24 SOMETHING TO SHARE BUT THERE'S NOT A PLATFORM. WHEN YOU HAVE  
25 HOLLYWOOD NEXT DOOR SPENDING SO MUCH MONEY IN MOVIES THAT ARE



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1 WASTEFUL EVERY DAY, WHY DON'T WE SPEND A COUPLE OF HUNDRED  
2 DOLLARS TO OPEN A RESOURCE CENTER FOR THESE KIDS IN COMPTON,  
3 WATTS, EAST L.A., BOYLE HEIGHTS, MACARTHUR PARK, INGLEWOOD AND  
4 SOUTH CENTRAL? PRIMARILY BECAUSE THESE ARE THE HIGHEST RATES  
5 OF ARRESTS. HIGHEST RATE OF GANG VIOLENCE. SO INSTEAD OF  
6 LOCKING THESE KIDS UP AND PUTTING MORE CAMERAS IN THE JAIL  
7 SYSTEM, WHO IS REALLY GOING TO SUPERVISOR THESE CAMERAS IN THE  
8 END? IF THERE IS A REPORT THAT AN OFFICER ABUSED A CHILD OR  
9 BEAT UP A KID, WHO WILL ULTIMATELY REVIEW? ARE THEY NOT  
10 ERASABLE? ARE THEY NOT ABLE TO TURN OFF THE CAMERA WHEN THE  
11 TIME COMES TO SUPPORT THEIR CASE? OVERALL, WE JUST NEED TO  
12 BUILD MORE RESOURCE CENTERS, WHICH IS WHY I HAVE A PACKET  
13 HERE, ONE FOR MR. THOMAS, MISS TAMMY, MISS MOLINA AND MR.  
14 YAROSLAVSKY TO LOOK INTO PERFORMING ARTS RESOURCE CENTERS AS  
15 ALTERNATIVE REHABILITATIONS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
18 TESTIMONY. AND ALEX JOHNSON AND RANDY TAJARA WANT TO TALK WITH  
19 YOU RATHER IMMEDIATELY. SO TO THAT YOUNG MAN, THEY WANT TO  
20 HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH YOU ABOUT YOUR TESTIMONY. THANK YOU.  
21 MR. SACHS?

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, SIR. GOOD AFTERNOON -- NO, GOOD  
24 MORNING, STILL. ARNOLD SACHS. WHAT I FOUND FASCINATING,  
25 ACTUALLY, FROM MERRICK BOBB'S REMMARKS WAS THE FACT THAT



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1 SUPERVISOR MOLINA CALLED FOR THE SPECIAL REPORT IN NOVEMBER  
2 2011. BECAUSE THE REPORT ON THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL  
3 HOUSE VIOLENCE? THE CITIZEN'S COMMISSION WAS CREATED IN 2012  
4 TO LOOK AT JAILHOUSE VIOLENCE. SO YOU BASICALLY HAD TWO  
5 COMMISSIONS. LIKE YOU HAVE HERE. AND BY THE WAY, YOU HAVE THE  
6 INDEPENDENT REVIEW RELATED TO JAIL HOUSE VIOLENCE AND CAMERAS  
7 THAT ACTUALLY SHOULD BE SEPARATE ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA, THE USE  
8 OF CAMERAS IN THE JAIL AND THE COMMISSION'S REPORT ON JAIL  
9 HOUSE VIOLENCE. BUT THIS IS SOMETHING FROM THE REVIEW MADE BY  
10 THE SPECIAL REPORT. THEY TALK ABOUT A 16TH REPORT SIX YEARS  
11 LATER IN 2009, SPECIAL COUNSEL NOTED RECOMMENDATIONS STILL HAD  
12 NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED. THAT'S THE 27TH REPORT. THIS 2012 REPORT  
13 NOTES THAT THIS REFORM IS STILL NEEDED. THAT'S THE 31ST  
14 REPORT. REPORT, REPORT, REPORT, REPORT, REPORT. YOU KNOW,  
15 THERE'S SHERIFFS PROBABLY OUT IN THE AUDIENCE THAT HAVE 20  
16 YEARS OF SERVICE AND THE COTS REPORT IS 20 YEARS OLD OR OLDER.  
17 AND WHAT ARE THE REFORMS THAT HAVE COME ABOUT? AND YOU SAY  
18 ZERO. SAY ZERO. THAT BEING SAID, LET'S TALK REAL QUICK ABOUT  
19 THE CAMERAS THAT WAS DISCUSSED. YOU WENT FROM CAMERAS THAT  
20 WEREN'T MOUNTED NOW TO OFFICER-WORN CAMERAS THAT NEED  
21 INVOLVEMENT WITH THE UNION. TODAY'S INFRASTRUCTURE WITH  
22 CAMERAS SHOW THAT YOU USED TO BE ABLE TO SEE AN ELEPHANT'S  
23 BUTT, A PIMPLE ON AN ELEPHANT'S BUTT. NOW YOU COULD SEE A  
24 PIMPLE ON THE FLEE ON THE ELEPHANT'S BUTT, BUT THE CAMERAS ARE  
25 NOT BEING MOUNTED. WHY IS THAT SO?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
3 GRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION, MR. SACHS.

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE VERY WELCOME, SIR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
6 ANSWERS FOR THE UNINFORMED PUBLIC.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT ENDS THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
9 THIS ISSUE. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL PROCEED TO ITEM CS-  
10 1. SUPERVISOR MOLINA? THERE ARE SEVERAL PERSONS WHO DO WISH TO  
11 BE HEARD ON THE ITEM. I'M GOING TO CALL THEM AT THIS POINT SO  
12 THAT THEY CAN BE HEARD. CRAIG LEBOW. ALECK LEBOW. ERIC PREVEN.  
13 NICK DONOVAN. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD.  
14 ROY MCKEE, TERRY WILKINSON. MARTHA WORBONNE. PATRICIA  
15 YOSHIHARA. ELENA MEDELLIN. IN THAT REGARD, IN THAT ORDER,  
16 PLEASE.

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WHILE THEY ARE  
19 COMING FORWARD ON THE LAST ITEM, WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE THAT  
20 ITEM?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NOTED. THANK YOU. FOR THE  
23 RECORD. GENTLEMEN, THE FLOOR IS YOURS. YOU MAY PROCEED.  
24 INDICATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

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1 **CRAIG LEBOW:** YES, THANK YOU SUPERVISORS. CRAIG LEBOW. I'M A  
2 RESIDENT OF WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA. AND I WANTED TO TALK TODAY  
3 ABOUT A PROBLEM THAT WE'RE HAVING IN OUR CITY OF WHITTIER.  
4 SURROUNDING A PROPOSED OIL PROJECT, A PROJECT THAT'S BEEN  
5 PROPOSED BY OUR CITY COUNCIL, ENDORSED BY OUR CITY MANAGER AND  
6 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY OUR CITY COUNCIL. OUR CITY HAD  
7 PURCHASED OPEN SPACE USING PROPOSITION-A FUNDS BACK IN 1996.  
8 SUBSEQUENTLY HAVE DECIDED TO USE THAT OPEN SPACE TO DEVELOP AN  
9 OIL PROJECT AND HAS ISSUED A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO MATRIX  
10 OIL AND CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY. DURING THE CITY COUNCIL  
11 HEARINGS, THE E.I.R. HEARINGS, PLANNING COMMISSION HEARINGS,  
12 THE MAJORITY OF FOLKS IN OUR COMMUNITY CAME OUT IN OPPOSITION  
13 TO THIS PROJECT. WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE MISUSE OF  
14 PROPOSITION A FUNDS, THE FACT THAT OUR CITY HAS NEVER OBTAINED  
15 THE PROPER PERMITS FROM THE COUNTY NOR HAS NEGOTIATED WITH THE  
16 COUNTY WITH REGARD TO HOW ANY ROYALTIES WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED  
17 TO THE COUNTY OR TO OUR CITY. OUR CITY HAS UNILATERALLY  
18 DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH THIS PROJECT. AND AS I MAY HAVE  
19 MENTIONED, ISSUED A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO THE OIL  
20 COMPANIES. THE OIL COMPANIES HAVE PROCEEDED WITH GRADING AND  
21 GRUBBING. THEY'VE EXCAVATED. THEY'VE PLACED IN REBAR, POURED  
22 CONCRETE, UNTIL MOST RECENTLY, TOWARD THE END OF JUNE,  
23 SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE FOUND THE CITY IN VIOLATION. I WOULD  
24 APPRECIATE THE SUPERVISORS' SUPPORT TO STOP THIS PROJECT.  
25 THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
3 SIR. YOUNG MAN?

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5 **ALEC LEBOW:** HI, MY NAME IS ALEC LEBOW. IN SCIENCE CLASS AT OUR  
6 SCHOOL, WE'VE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT RENEWABLE ENERGY. IT'S OFTEN  
7 WELL KNOWN TODAY AS SOLAR, WIND AND HYDRO AND ELECTRICAL  
8 ENERGY. IT DOESN'T HARM THE ENVIRONMENT. IT'S SAFE AND EASY TO  
9 USE AND THERE'S AN ABUNDANT SUPPLY OF IT TO HELP BRING POWER.  
10 FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW, THERE'S EXTREMELY LARGE AMOUNTS OF  
11 CARBON WITHIN THE CHEMICAL BONDS OF FOSSIL FUELS. WHEN THE  
12 CARBON IN FOSSIL FUELS IS BURNED, IT PRODUCES SIGNIFICANT  
13 AMOUNTS OF CO2 OR CARBON DIOXIDE. WHEN EXCESS CARBON DIOXIDE  
14 IS RELEASED INTO THE ATMOSPHERE IT BEGINS TO ERODE THE OZONE  
15 CAUSING IT TO LOSE SOME OF THE OXYGEN IT IS MADE OF AND  
16 DECAYS. THE OZONE PROTECTS US FROM THE SUN'S HARMFUL UV RAYS.  
17 WE HAVE LOST FOUR OF THE TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF OZONE THAT IS  
18 THERE. DRILLING IN THE HILLS WILL SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE  
19 COMMUNITY WE LIVE IN SUCH AS THE TRUCKS BEING USED ON AND OFF  
20 THE SITE. CATALINA DRIVE IS CONNECTED TO A MAIN STREET, MAR  
21 VISTA AND CATALINA IS PART OF MAR VISTA WHERE THERE ARE  
22 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS, TRAFFIC MADE BY CARS AND HOMEOWNERS  
23 LIVING ON CATALINA MOVING ABOUT. WHEN THESE LARGE OIL TRUCKS  
24 ARE DRIVING FROM MAR VISTA TO CATALINA, THE LIKELIHOOD OF AN  
25 ACCIDENT OCCURRING IS EXTREMELY HIGH. PLUS THE ASPHALT ON MAR



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1 VISTA IS ONLY MADE TO HOLD 3,000 POUNDS WHILE THESE TRUCKS ARE  
2 AT LEAST 20 TONS. THESE, AND MANY OTHER REASONS, ARE WHY WE  
3 SHOULD NOT BE DRILLING IN THE WHITTIER HILLS.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

6

7 **ALEC LEBOW:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SIR? AND THE BALANCE OF THE  
10 SPEAKERS, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD?

11

12 **ROY MCKEE:** MY NAME IS ROY MCKEE AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
13 WHITTIER HILLS OIL WATCH FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AND I'D  
14 FIRST LIKE TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE COUNTY ON THE COURT  
15 VICTORY ON THIS PROJECT. I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE HISTORY  
16 REAL QUICK ON THIS THAT YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE OF. THIS PROJECT  
17 ACTUALLY STARTED IN 2006. AND WE HAVE THE EMAILS AND  
18 DOCUMENTATION. IT WAS THE OIL COMPANY THAT APPROACHED THE CITY  
19 TO ACTUALLY PUT THIS JUST OUTSIDE THE CITY'S LANDFILL. AND  
20 SOMEHOW IT MOVED INTO THE MIDDLE OF THE BOBCAT NURSERY, WHICH  
21 THE HABITAT AUTHORITY THERE IS BENEFITING. THEY'VE BEEN  
22 RECEIVING PAYMENTS SINCE 2008 ON THIS. LAST NIGHT, I ATTENDED  
23 THE MEETING AT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN CONSERVANCY, AND I  
24 WAS REALLY DISTURBED HOW JOSEPH -- THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
25 THERE, HOW UNINFORMED HE WAS AS HE WAS TALKING TO HIS BOARD,



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1 WHO IS VERY MUCH GOING TO BE A PART OF THIS BECAUSE NEXT  
2 WEDNESDAY, AS YOU'RE ALL AWARE, ALL OF YOU ARE GOING TO BE  
3 ASKED TO MAKE A DECISION. AND THAT DECISION IS WHETHER YOU  
4 TAKE CASH AND ALLOW THE OIL PROJECT TO PROCEED, OR YOU PUT  
5 YOUR FOOT DOWN AND START IT. MR. ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, YOU WERE THE  
6 ONE THAT SPONSORED THIS BILL BACK IN THE EARLY '90S AND I  
7 APPLAUD YOU FOR THAT. AND NOBODY SHOULD TAKE THAT AWAY FROM  
8 YOU AND THE VICTORY THAT IT GOT THROUGH THE PUBLIC BY MAJORITY  
9 VOTE. THIS IS SPECIAL. IF THIS GOES AWAY, THIS WILL NOT ONLY  
10 AFFECT ALL OF YOUR DISTRICTS, BUT IT WILL AFFECT THE ENTIRE  
11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA BECAUSE THESE PROPOSITIONS SIMILAR TO A  
12 WILL BE ABLE TO BE REVERSED AS FAR AS LAND USAGE, AND YOU CAN  
13 BET WITH THE FRENZY THAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW WITH OIL  
14 COMPANIES TO GET IN BEFORE THE FRACKING LEGISLATION KICKS IN,  
15 THEY ARE GOING TO BE DRILLING EVERYWHERE AND ANYWHERE. AND  
16 THERE WILL NOT BE ONE SPOT, WHETHER IN THIS COUNTY OR THE  
17 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THAT WILL BE PROTECTED FROM THEM. PLEASE  
18 VOTE AGAINST THIS. MAKE SURE WE KEEP IT AS A PRESERVE THANK  
19 YOU.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
22 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
25 DISTRICT 3. AND I AGREE WITH THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER AND WOULD



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1 ASK THIS BOARD TO HOLD THE LINE ON THIS. IT'S CRITICALLY  
2 IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE EFFORTS BY OIL COMPANIES  
3 GOING FORWARD TO ESTABLISH THAT THEY'RE DRILLING PRIOR TO  
4 FRACKING LEGISLATION. IT'S CRITICAL THAT THE BOARD STAND UP  
5 AND DO THE RIGHT THING. AND IT'S INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT  
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHO IS NOT HERE TODAY, IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN,  
7 AND HIS STAFF COULD CLARIFY THAT, IS ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THIS  
8 ISSUE. AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THAT WOULD BE. AND I ASSUME  
9 THAT IT HAS TO DO WITH OIL COMPANY WEALTH AND ADVANTAGES THAT  
10 HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO THE CITY OF WHITTIER THAT ARE NOT REAL  
11 ADVANTAGES; THEY'RE THE EQUIVALENT OF INFLUENCE. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU. MA'AM, THE FLOOR  
14 IS YOURS.

15

16 **TERI WILKINSON:** MY NAME IS TERI WILKINSON. I AM A RESIDENT OF  
17 WHITTIER AND A MEMBER OF THE WHITTIER HILLS OIL WATCH  
18 ORGANIZATION. LAST NIGHT, I, TOO, SPOKE WITH THE SANTA MONICA  
19 MOUNTAIN CONSERVANCY. AND BASICALLY THANK YOU, THANK YOU,  
20 THANK YOU TO THE COUNTY FOR ASSISTING IN WINNING THAT  
21 MOMENTOUS DECISION. HOW OFTEN DO YOU WIN A BIG CASE AGAINST  
22 BIG OIL? IT DOES NOT HAPPEN IN THIS COUNTRY. THANK YOU FOR  
23 THAT. NOW COMES THE SETTLEMENT PORTION. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY  
24 THE CITY OF WHITTIER ATTORNEY THAT IF WE PUT ENOUGH MONEY ON  
25 THE TABLE, WE KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO LET US DRILL AS PART OF



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1 THE SETTLEMENT. THAT'S SO WRONG. WE ALL KNOW PROP A WAS  
2 DESIGNED, AGAIN HERE, TO LEAVE THE AREA OPEN IN PERPETUITY.  
3 AND THE JUDGE HIMSELF SAID DURING THE COURT CASE, HE SAID "I'M  
4 NOT PICKING ON YOU, BIG OIL. I AM TELLING YOU THAT NOTHING  
5 SHOULD BE BUILT UP THERE. NOT A MALL. NOT EVEN A POPCORN  
6 STAND. ". AND WE FULLY, FULLY, FULLY AGREED WITH HIM. I'D LIKE  
7 TO READ YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT I SAID LAST NIGHT TO THE  
8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY GROUP. "I THINK THEY SHOULD  
9 NOT SETTLE FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN ATTORNEY COURT COSTS AND  
10 ENOUGH MONEY TO MAKE THE SITE PRISTINE AGAIN THE WAY IT WAS  
11 BEFORE MATRIX OIL RAPED IT. I REPEAT. DO NOT COME TO AN  
12 AGREEMENT THAT WOULD ALLOW MATRIX TO DRILL ANYWHERE ON THE  
13 SITE. NO MATTER HOW MUCH MONEY MATRIX OIL OFFERS EVERYONE  
14 INVOLVED, THE WHOLE POINT OF PROP A IS THAT THE LAND BE KEPT  
15 OPEN FOR PERPETUITY AS THE TAXPAYERS VOTED IN 1992." AND I AND  
16 MY FELLOW TAXPAYERS, WE ARE THE ONES THAT HAVE TO LIVE THERE,  
17 OKAY? WE GAVE UP -- OUR GROUP GAVE UP OUR LAWSUIT DATE TO THE  
18 M.R.C.A. AND THE COUNTY SO THAT THEY COULD HELP US FIGHT BIG  
19 OIL AND STOP ANY CHANCE OF DRILLING, AND THE JUDGE AGREED. NOW  
20 THEY SEEM TO THINK THAT THEY'RE GOING TO CHANGE HORSES IN  
21 MIDSTREAM AND ALLOW -- I'M SORRY, I HAVE GONE OVER THE TIME.  
22 AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
25 MA'AM?



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1  
2 **MARTA BORBON:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
3 SUPERVISORS AND STAFF. MY NAME IS MARTA BORBON. I'M AN  
4 EDUCATOR AND A WHITTIER RESIDENT. I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF  
5 WHITTIER HILLS OIL WATCH FOR OVER THREE YEARS. I PERSONALLY  
6 HAD PETITIONS SIGNED AGAINST THE OIL PROJECTS AT THE WHITTIER  
7 HILLS, AND I CAN ASSURE YOU IT WAS BOTH QUICK AND EASY TO  
8 OBTAIN AROUND 7,000 SIGNATURES IN A VERY SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME.  
9 IT WAS EXTREMELY RARE TO FIND PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY SUPPORTED  
10 DRILLING IN THE HILLS FOR OIL. I CAN ATTEST THAT THIS PROJECT  
11 IS REJECTED BY AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF CITIZENS IN  
12 WHITTIER AND THE VICINITY. DURING OUR E.I.R. MEETINGS HELD, WE  
13 HAD DOZENS AND DOZENS OF PROFESSIONALS ALL SPEAKING ON THEIR  
14 SPECIFIC AREA OF EXPERTISE. GEOLOGISTS ON FAULT LINES,  
15 POSSIBLE FIRES ON THOSE VERY DRY HILLS, DOCTORS AND NURSES  
16 SPEAKING ON HEALTH HAZARDS, ENGINEERS ON ISSUES RELATED TO  
17 LIGHT POLLUTION AND NOISE POLLUTION, HEAVY EQUIPMENT  
18 SPECIALISTS ON TRAFFIC ISSUES, TEACHERS SPEAKING ON THE  
19 PROXIMITY TO A SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOL, THE ENVIRONMENTALISTS  
20 SPEAKING ON AIR POLLUTION, REAL ESTATE AGENTS ON LOWERED  
21 PROPERTY VALUES DUE TO OIL EXTRACTION. MANY SPOKE. HOWEVER,  
22 THE CITY COUNCIL IGNORED THE COMMUNITY AND EVEN IGNORED YOU BY  
23 NOT OBTAINING YOUR PERMISSION TO PROCEED WHILE TELLING US THAT  
24 THEY HAD BEEN IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH YOU. I FIND THAT  
25 A CRIME TO SACRIFICE THOSE HILLS AND THE WELL-BEING OF THE



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1 COMMUNITY ALL FOR A SUM OF MONEY. PLEASE THINK OF FUTURE  
2 GENERATIONS AND NOT OF THE BALANCE SHEET. IN JUNE, THE JUDGE  
3 FOUND DRILLING ON THE HILLS RIDICULOUS AND ORDERED THE OIL  
4 COMPANIES TO STOP. PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING AND REJECT  
5 FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS WITH ANY OIL COMPANIES THAT PLANS TO  
6 DESTROY ANY OPEN SPACE DESIGNATED FOR RECREATION AND  
7 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY AN AREA  
8 SUCH AS THIS ONE, PURCHASED WITH PROPOSITION A FUNDS. LOS  
9 ANGELES NEEDS A CLEAN FUTURE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THANK  
10 YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
13 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKERS, PLEASE.

14

15 **PATRICIA YOSHIRARA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
16 SUPERVISORS MOLINA, YAROSLAVSKY AND STAFF. MY NAME IS PATRICIA  
17 YOSHIHARA, AND I ALSO RESIDE IN WHITTIER. I'M HERE IN FRONT OF  
18 YOU BECAUSE I DO CARE. I ALSO ATTENDED THE MEETING LAST NIGHT  
19 AT THE SANTA MONICA CONSERVANCY. AND I JUST WANT TO READ YOU  
20 SOME PORTIONS OF WHAT I SAID LAST NIGHT. "AS A SUPPORTER OF  
21 THE WHITTIER HILLS WATCH W.H.O.W. AND SOMEONE CONCERNED ABOUT  
22 CONSERVING OPEN SPACE ON OUR LANDS, I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO  
23 OPPOSE EFFORTS TO ALLOW OIL DRILLING IN THE WHITTIER HILLS  
24 HABITAT PRESERVE. W.H.O.W. FOUGHT FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS TO  
25 STOP THE CITY OF WHITTIER FROM DRILLING ON LAND THAT WAS



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1 PURCHASED WITH TAXPAYER MONEY TO BE PRESERVED IN PERPETUITY AS  
2 OPEN SPACE. WE WERE THRILLED THAT THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR  
3 COURT JUDGE, JAMES C. CHALFANT RULED IN FAVOR OF M.R.C.A.  
4 FINDING THAT THE USE OF A PORTION OF THOSE LANDS FOR OIL  
5 DRILLING BY THE CITY OF WHITTIER INDEED VIOLATED THE PUBLIC  
6 TRUST. THE PUENTE HILLS HABITAT PRESERVATION AUTHORITY WAS  
7 PURCHASED IN PART WITH 9.3 MILLION FROM PROP A MONIES. JUDGE  
8 CHALFANT'S RULED THAT THE CITY OF WHITTIER ACTED AGAINST THE  
9 WISHES OF THE L.A. COUNTY VOTERS WHO PAID FOR THE LAND TO BE  
10 PRESERVED AS OPEN SPACE. THIS RULING WAS A HUGE VICTORY FOR  
11 YOU, L.A. COUNTY, COUNTY VOTERS AND ALL WHO HELPED PASS PROP  
12 A." AND I HAVE RELATIVES IN LA MIRADA AND TORRANCE AND  
13 PASADENA AND HACIENDA HEIGHTS, EVERYWHERE IN THE COUNTY. THEY  
14 ALL SUPPORTED AND HELPED PASS PROP A. THEY BELIEVE IN THE OPEN  
15 SPACE. BECAUSE I SUPPORT OPEN SPACE LAND AND BECAUSE I BELIEVE  
16 IN PRESERVING OPEN SPACE IN PERPETUITY WITH A PRIMARY PURPOSE  
17 TO PROTECT THE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN THE PUENTE HILLS, I  
18 URGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO OPPOSE OIL DRILLING ON THE PUENTE  
19 HILLS HABITAT AUTHORITY. PLEASE HAVE PRINCIPLES YOU CAN BE  
20 PROUD OF. PLEASE OBEY THE LAW. PLEASE DO NOT SETTLE FOR MONEY.  
21 AND PLEASE CARE FOR US. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
22 TIME.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
25 MA'AM?



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1  
2 **ELENA MEDELLIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS ELENA MEDELLIN, AND I AM A RESIDENT OF  
4 WHITTIER. THE RECENT COURT RULING STATES OIL DRILLING IS A  
5 VIOLATION OF PROPOSITION A AND THE PUBLIC TRUST. PROPOSITION A  
6 FUNDS WERE INTENDED EXCLUSIVELY FOR PARK RECREATION, OPEN  
7 SPACE AND CONSERVATION PURPOSES. THE RECIPIENT OF PROPOSITION  
8 A FUNDS IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE  
9 LAND IN PERPETUITY. I'M OPPOSED TO OIL DRILLING BECAUSE OF THE  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON THE PRESERVE AND THE COMMUNITY. I'M  
11 ALSO OPPOSED TO THIS PROJECT BECAUSE IT IS A VIOLATION OF THE  
12 PUBLIC TRUST. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE LAND USAGE. IF THE  
13 LAND USAGE IS CHANGED, WHAT WILL PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING  
14 IN OTHER OPEN SPACES? IN AN ARTICLE IN "THE WHITTIER DAILY  
15 NEWS," JUNE 2, 2012, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SANTA  
16 MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY SAID "THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS  
17 CONSERVANCY IS CONCERNED BECAUSE IF WHITTIER IS ALLOWED TO  
18 DRILL FOR GAS AND OIL ON ABOUT 20 ACRES OF ITS NATURE  
19 PRESERVE, IT COULD STIR OIL COMPANIES OR CITIES TO RESTART  
20 DORMANT OIL WELLS UNDER OTHER NATURE PRESERVES AND STATE  
21 PARKS." I KNOW THAT THERE IS AN UPCOMING SETTLEMENT AND  
22 SETTLEMENT HEARING. AND IF YOU ALLOW M.R.C.A. TO SETTLE WITH  
23 THE OIL COMPANIES AND ALLOW THEM TO DRILL, YOU WILL HAVE SET A  
24 PRECEDENT IN CALIFORNIA FOR LAND USES TO BE CHALLENGED. IT'S  
25 CLEAR THAT THIS IS NOT JUST A WHITTIER ISSUE; IT'S AN L.A.



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1 COUNTY AND STATE ISSUE. I URGE YOU TO UPHOLD THE COURT  
2 HEARING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
5 MA'AM. SIR, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

6

7 **NICK DONOVAN.** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR  
8 **MOLINA, YAROSLAVSKY,** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME THIS MORNING. MY  
9 **NAME IS NICK DONOVAN, I'M A WHITTIER RESIDENT. I'M SENIOR VICE**  
10 **PRESIDENT FOR ONE OF THE LARGEST INSURANCE AND BROKERAGE RISK**  
11 **MANAGEMENT COMPANIES IN THE WORLD, AND I'VE BEEN PART OF THE**  
12 **TEAM FIGHTING THIS PROPOSED PROJECT FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS.**  
13 **IT'S BEEN A LONG JOURNEY. I HAVE NO PREPARED REMARKS THIS**  
14 **MORNING OTHER THAN TO JUST RECOUNT PROBABLY WHAT OCCURRED LAST**  
15 **NIGHT. WE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS, THE LITTLE GUY AGAINST THE**  
16 **BIG GUY FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. IT ACTUALLY FORCED ME INTO**  
17 **RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL LAST YEAR AGAINST A CORRUPT AND LOCAL**  
18 **CITY COUNCIL THAT'S STILL OPERATING ON COUNTRY CLUB POLITICS.**  
19 **WE'VE DONE OUR RESEARCH. WE'VE DONE OUR HOMEWORK. WE'VE GOT**  
20 **OUR FACTS. WE HAD OUR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES. WE WENT TO COURT.**  
21 **WE PUT OUR OWN MONEY AT RISK. EVENTUALLY WE GOT SOME SUPPORT**  
22 **FROM S.M.M.C. AND M.R.C.A. AND ULTIMATELY YOURSELVES AND AN**  
23 **INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS GROUP. AND WE WON. THE LITTLE GUY WON.**  
24 **JUSTICE WAS SERVED:** AND THIS IS ABOUT JUSTICE. THIS ISN'T JUST  
25 ABOUT MONEY. THIS IS ABOUT DOING WHAT IS RIGHT AND STAYING



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1 TRUE TO PROPOSITION A, THE PROPOSITION THAT WAS PASSED IN THE  
2 EARLY '90S WITH COUNTY TAXPAYER MONEY. AND WE JUST BEG YOU TO  
3 PAY ATTENTION TO THE FACTS. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
4 S.M.M.C., M.R.C.A. LAST NIGHT SORT OF DID A 180 ON US. HIS  
5 AGENCY WON IN COURT. OUR LAWYERS WON IN COURT. ACTUALLY THE  
6 ORIGINAL ARGUMENT THAT WE PUT FORWARD. AND WHEN OUR LAWSUIT  
7 STEPPED ASIDE TO LET THESE GUYS MOVE FORWARD, IT WAS OUR  
8 ARGUMENT. THEY REPRODUCED PRETTY MUCH VERBATIM WHAT WE WERE  
9 PUTTING FORWARD. AND THAT ARGUMENT STOOD UP IN THE COURTS AND  
10 WAS PROVEN TO BE RIGHT. AND NOW WE'RE FINDING THAT THE  
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MR. JOE EDMISTON NOW IS WHEELING AND  
12 DEALING BEHIND OUR BACKS TO TRY AND GRAB SOME MONEY FOR  
13 HIMSELF AND HIS OWN AGENCIES AT OUR EXPENSE. WE NEED YOU TO  
14 STAND UP FOR US. THIS IS A PANDORA'S BOX OF NEVER ENDING DOOM  
15 AND GLOOM IF WE GO DOWN THIS PATH, AND WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT.  
16 PLEASE FIND OUT THE FACTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
19 TESTIMONY. THAT EFFECTIVELY CLOSES THE HEARING ON THIS ITEM  
20 WITH THOSE CARDS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED FOR OUR  
21 CONSIDERATION. THIS IS AN ITEM THAT'S SCHEDULED FOR CLOSED  
22 SESSION. THOSE INPUTS THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN US WILL BE TAKEN  
23 UNDER ADVISEMENT, AND THEY ARE PUBLICLY NOTED FOR THE RECORD.  
24 WE DO HAVE SET ITEMS TO WHICH WE MUST NOW ATTEND. WE TURN OUR  
25 ATTENTION TO S-2. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?



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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. YES, ITEM  
3 S-2 IS THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE  
4 RECOMMENDATIONS. I BELIEVE MR. DROOYAN IS HERE TO GIVE HIS  
5 UPDATED REPORT.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. DROOYAN. WE NOTE  
8 YOUR REPORT. ASSISTANT SHERIFF MCDONALD IS HERE, AS WELL. WE  
9 LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR RESPONSE AND YOUR INPUT. WITH THAT WE'RE  
10 READY TO PROCEED.

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12 **RICHARD E. DROOYAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M PLEASED TO PRESENT TO  
13 YOU MY SEVENTH REPORT. REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE  
14 DEPARTMENT AND OVER THE LAST TWO MONTHS. I WORKED AGAIN VERY  
15 CLOSELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
16 REMAINING RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE -- THIS CHART SHOWS THE  
17 PROGRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT SINCE MY SECOND REPORT LAST  
18 JANUARY. AND AS OF JULY 10TH OR AS OF TODAY THERE WERE 37  
19 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAD BEEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED BY THE  
20 DEPARTMENT, 11 PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED AND THERE ARE 12 MORE  
21 THAT ARE IN PROGRESS. THE MAIN PROGRESS IN THE LAST PERIOD OF  
22 TIME WAS THE COMPLETION OF THE USE OF FORCE MANUAL THAT THE  
23 DEPARTMENT AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON SINCE JANUARY. A QUICK  
24 BACKGROUND. THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE MADE A  
25 RECOMMENDATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONSOLIDATE ALL OF THEIR



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1 USE-OF-FORCE POLICIES IN A SINGLE MANUAL THAT WOULD BE  
2 DISTRIBUTED TO ALL OF THE DEPUTIES. AND LAST JANUARY 1ST THE  
3 DEPARTMENT DID THAT AND IMPLEMENTED THAT RECOMMENDATION. IN  
4 THE RUSH TO PUT IT TOGETHER THE MANUAL WAS VERY DIFFICULT TO  
5 USE. THE PARTS OF IT WERE SOMEWHAT DISORGANIZED. IT HAD ALL OF  
6 THE POLICIES IN PLACE, BUT IT WAS NOT WHAT I WOULD DESCRIBE AS  
7 USER FRIENDLY. AND SO SINCE THAT POINT IN TIME, THE  
8 CONSULTANTS AND I HAVE BEEN MEETING AND WORKING WITH THE  
9 DEPARTMENT TO REVISE THE USE OF FORCE MANUAL INTO SOMETHING  
10 THAT WOULD BE MUCH EASIER FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
11 PERSONNEL TO USE. AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOW REVISED THAT  
12 MANUAL. I BELIEVE A COPY OF IT WAS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH OF THE  
13 BOARD OFFICES AND TO THE C.E.O. AND TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL. AND  
14 I DO THINK THAT THAT FULLY IMPLEMENTS A NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL  
15 RECOMMENDATIONS. IT IS NOW, IN MY JUDGMENT, A SINGLE EASY TO  
16 UNDERSTAND FORCE MANUAL. IT REFLECTS THE OBJECTIVELY  
17 REASONABLE STANDARD. IT HAS A PREFERENCE FOR PLANNED,  
18 SUPERVISED AND DIRECTED FORCE. IT ACCOUNTS FOR THE SPECIAL  
19 NEEDS POPULATIONS. IT PRECLUDES VIDEO REVIEW OF FORCE  
20 INCIDENTS UNTIL AFTER DEPUTIES HAVE MADE THEIR REPORT AND IT  
21 REQUIRES THE SEPARATION OF DEPUTIES AFTER MAJOR FORCE INDENTS.  
22 AND I DO BELIEVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS IMPLEMENTED ANOTHER  
23 SIX RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMPLETION OF THIS FORCE MANUAL. IT  
24 WAS AN INTENSE AND EXTENSIVE EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE  
25 DEPARTMENT TO GET THIS DONE, AND I'M VERY PLEASED WITH THE



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1 COOPERATION THAT I RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT. THIS MANUAL  
2 REFLECTS CERTAINLY A GREAT DEAL OF MY INPUT, BUT IT ALSO  
3 REFLECTS THE INPUT OF THE CONSULTANTS, A COPY OF AN EARLIER  
4 DRAFT THAT WAS SHOWN TO THE A.C.L.U., SOME OF THEIR  
5 SUGGESTIONS ARE INCLUDED IN THE FORCE MANUAL. AND I DO BELIEVE  
6 THAT IT IS A MUCH EASIER-TO-USE, CLEAR, USER-FRIENDLY MANUAL.  
7 DURING THE LAST PERIOD OF TIME, THERE WERE A NUMBER OF OTHER  
8 ACTIVITIES THAT WERE COMPLETED. A LOT OF WHAT IS GOING ON  
9 TODAY IS WORKING NOW WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND THE C.E.O. TO  
10 IMPLEMENT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE FUNDING REQUESTS  
11 FROM THE DEPARTMENT. AND IN THE LAST PERIOD OF TIME, I  
12 SUBMITTED THE DEPARTMENT INSPECTIONAL SERVICES COMMAND TO THE  
13 C.E.O.'S OFFICE. THIS IS THE COMMAND THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS IN  
14 THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING TO DO INTERNAL AUDITS TO ENSURE  
15 COMPLIANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND  
16 THE C.C.J. V.'S RECOMMENDATIONS. THIS WAS AN EXTENSIVE OFFICER  
17 LED BY COMMANDER GUYVITS AND HER TEAM TO PUT TOGETHER THIS  
18 PROPOSAL. IT WAS REVIEWED BY MYSELF AND BY THE CONSULTANTS. WE  
19 HAD MULTIPLE MEETINGS WITH THE DEPARTMENT. AND LAST MONTH I  
20 SUBMITTED THIS PROPOSAL TO THE C.E.O.S WITH MY RECOMMENDATION.  
21 AND WE HAVE A MEETING PLANNED FOR THIS AFTERNOON, THE C.E.O.'S  
22 OFFICE AND THE SHERIFF, TO GO OVER THE INSPECTION SERVICES  
23 COMMAND. THE PROPOSAL IS ESSENTIALLY TO PHASE IN OVER 18  
24 MONTHS IN FOUR SEPARATE PHASES TO SET UP PARTICULAR UNITS  
25 WITHIN THE COMMAND TO AUDIT DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE DEPARTMENT.



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1 ALSO DURING THIS LAST PERIOD OF TIME, THE DEPARTMENT HAS  
2 SUBMITTED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE  
3 REGARDING COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS, AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS  
4 SUBMITTED TO ME ITS PROPOSAL FOR ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORY  
5 PERSONNEL. ACTUALLY, LET ME GO BACK TO THIS. AND SINCE I  
6 SUBMITTED MY REPORT, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS NOW HAD AN  
7 OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE REQUEST FOR COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS.  
8 ALSO THE DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR A CUSTODY  
9 TRAINING DIVISION BUREAU, AND THE C.E.O. HAS SUBMITTED A  
10 LETTER TO THE BOARD RECOMMENDING THE FUNDING OF SIX COMPLIANCE  
11 LIEUTENANTS AND 33 POSITIONS TO ESTABLISH A CUSTODY TRAINING  
12 DIVISION BUREAU. THE COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS, IF THAT FUNDING  
13 IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD, I BELIEVE THOSE COMPLIANCE  
14 LIEUTENANTS CAN BE IN PLACE WITHIN THE NEXT 30 DAYS OR SO. IF  
15 THE BOARD APPROVES THE FUNDING FOR THE CUSTODY DIVISION  
16 TRAINING BUREAU, THE DEPARTMENT HAS ADVISED ME THAT THEY WILL  
17 START IMMEDIATELY TO IMPLEMENT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND  
18 BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL HAVE THE CUSTODY DIVISION TRAINING  
19 BUREAU FULLY UP AND RUNNING WITHIN SIX MONTHS. IN ADDITION TO  
20 THE COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS AND THE CUSTODY DIVISION TRAINING  
21 BUREAU, ON AN INTERIM BASIS, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, IN THE  
22 LETTER THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD, RECOMMENDS FUNDING FOR  
23 25 ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS FOR THE CUSTODY DIVISION, CUSTODY  
24 OPERATIONS. AND LET ME JUST GIVE A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY  
25 REGARDING THIS. THIS C.C.J.V. RECOMMENDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT



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1 ADD ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS, PARTICULARLY SERGEANTS AND SOME  
2 LIEUTENANTS AND FOUND THAT THERE WAS A LACK OF SUFFICIENT  
3 SUPERVISION THAT CONTRIBUTED TO MANY OF THE PROBLEMS IN THE  
4 JAILS. AND THIS WAS A CRITICAL RECOMMENDATION OF THE C.C.J.V.,  
5 BUT NEVERTHELESS I FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO WAIT UNTIL THE  
6 ASSISTANT SHERIFF, TERRI MCDONALD, CAME ON BOARD, TO HAVE HER  
7 ASSESS ON WHAT THE DEPARTMENT'S SUPERVISORY NEEDS ARE. AND  
8 THAT HAS BEEN A PRIORITY FOR HER. THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN  
9 WORKING VERY HARD TO PUT TOGETHER A COMPREHENSIVE PROPOSAL FOR  
10 ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS. THAT'S WHAT WAS SUBMITTED TO MYSELF  
11 AND TO THE CONSULTANT. AND THAT IS IN FACT WHAT I AM REVIEWING  
12 AT THIS TIME. I'M HOPING TO BE ABLE TO SUBMIT MY  
13 RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD BY THIS FRIDAY. BUT THERE'S NO  
14 DOUBT THAT THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS. THE  
15 CONSULTANTS CONCUR IN THAT. THE C.C.J.V. CONCURRED IN THAT.  
16 THE DEPARTMENT ITSELF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT. I THINK THE ONLY  
17 ISSUE IN THE END IS HOW MANY SUPERVISORS. BUT IT'S CLEAR THAT  
18 IT IS GOING TO BE MORE THAN THE 25 THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE  
19 HAS REQUESTED. SO I CERTAINLY WILL URGE THE BOARD TO ACCEPT  
20 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICES RECOMMENDATION WITH THE UNDERSTANDING  
21 THAT EITHER THIS WEEK OR IN A FEW WEEKS WE WILL BE SUBMITTING  
22 A COMPREHENSIVE PROPOSAL FOR ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS THAT THE  
23 DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING. LOOKING FORWARD, THESE ARE THE  
24 ACTIVITIES THAT THE DEPARTMENT AND I ARE UNDERTAKING THAT WILL  
25 NOT IMMEDIATELY REQUIRE FUNDING. THE DEPARTMENT IS, I BELIEVE,



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1 RIGHT ABOUT AT THIS POINT IN TIME AND VERY SOON WILL ACHIEVE  
2 THE 65/35 DEPUTY-TO-CUSTODY ASSISTANT RATIO THAT'S IN THE  
3 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE UNIONS. THE C.C.J.V.  
4 RECOMMENDED THAT THE DEPARTMENT ADD EVEN MORE CUSTODY  
5 ASSISTANTS AND ACHIEVE A RATIO OF -- NOT SPECIFIED, BUT A  
6 HIGHER RATIO OF CUSTODY ASSISTANTS TO DEPUTIES, WHICH WILL, IN  
7 THE LONG RUN, SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY IF THAT'S IMPLEMENTED. THE  
8 NEXT STEP FOR THE DEPARTMENT IS TO DO A COMPREHENSIVE  
9 ASSESSMENT OF THE POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT AND IDENTIFY  
10 THOSE POSITIONS, DEPUTY POSITIONS, THAT CAN BE DONE BY CUSTODY  
11 ASSISTANTS. I HAVE HEARD ESTIMATES, ROUGH ESTIMATES FROM THE  
12 DEPARTMENT THAT THEY BELIEVE THEY CAN ACHIEVE AT LEAST A 60/40  
13 DEPUTY TO CUSTODY ASSISTANT RATIO WHICH WOULD SAVE A  
14 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND BE FURTHER  
15 IN LINE WITH THE OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION  
16 THAT THERE BE A SEPARATE CUSTODY DIVISION THAT OPERATES IN THE  
17 DEPARTMENT. THE NEXT THING THAT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED IS THE  
18 ADDITION OF BODY SCANNERS IN THE DEPARTMENT. THE FUNDING FOR  
19 THE BODY SCANNERS HAS ALREADY BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD.  
20 THERE HAVE BEEN SOME GLITCHES GETTING THE CONTRACT AWARDED.  
21 AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE COUNTY PROCESSES FOR GETTING  
22 CONTRACTS AWARDED. BUT IT APPEARS THAT THAT IS NOW UNDERWAY.  
23 AND THE BEST ESTIMATES OF WHEN THE BODY SCANNERS WILL BE IN  
24 PLACE WILL BE SOMETIME NOVEMBER/DECEMBER OF THIS YEAR. HAVING  
25 ADDITIONAL BODY SCANNERS WILL SIGNIFICANTLY, IN MY JUDGMENT,



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1 REDUCE TENSIONS AND THEREFORE REDUCE NEED FOR FORCE IN THE  
2 JAILS. ANOTHER THING THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING ON IS THE  
3 TRACKING OF INMATE GRIEVANCES IN P.P.I. THE BEST ESTIMATE FOR  
4 THAT -- AND THAT'S TRACKING THOSE INMATE GRIEVANCES BY DEPUTY  
5 NAMED IN THE PERSONAL PERFORMANCE INDEX. AND THE BEST ESTIMATE  
6 IS THAT THAT WILL BE COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER. THE DEPARTMENT IS  
7 UNDERTAKING A FACILITIES ASSESSMENT TO DETERMINE THE  
8 OPERATIONAL STAFFING NEEDS FOR EACH OF THE JAILS. ONE OF THE  
9 THINGS THAT THE C.C.J.V. FOUND WAS THAT THE DEPARTMENT SORT OF  
10 HAD A ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING ITS  
11 OPERATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFING IN EACH OF THE JAILS. SO  
12 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL HAD THE SAME STAFFING AS THE SOUTH FACILITY  
13 EVEN THOUGH THE CONFIGURATIONS ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT, THE  
14 POPULATIONS ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT. AND SO THE RECOMMENDATION  
15 FOR THE C.C.J.V., WHICH WAS ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT, WAS DO  
16 AN ASSESSMENT AND FIGURE OUT HOW MUCH YOU NEED BASED UPON THE  
17 NEEDS OF A PARTICULAR FACILITY. THE DEPARTMENT CREATED A MODEL  
18 BASED UPON THE EAST FACILITY, WHICH IS ACTUALLY NOW CLOSED.  
19 BUT THAT MODEL PROVIDES FOR A METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING THE  
20 STAFFING NEEDS IN THE JAIL FACILITY, THE KINDS OF JOBS THAT  
21 ARE DONE, THE KIND OF INMATE POPULATION, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE,  
22 INMATES AND THINGS LIKE THAT. AND SO THAT MODEL IS GOING TO BE  
23 USED FOR EACH OF THE OTHER FACILITIES TO ASSESS THE STAFFING  
24 NEEDS FOR THOSE FACILITIES. THERE MAY BE SOME THAT WILL  
25 REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFFING. THERE MAY BE SOME THAT WILL



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1 REQUIRE LESS STAFFING. I'M NOT SURE IN THE LONG RUN HOW THE  
2 NUMBERS ARE GOING TO SHAKE OUT. BUT THAT'S WHAT THE  
3 DEPARTMENT'S IN THE PROCESS OF DOING. AND AFTER THEY DO THAT,  
4 IF IT TURNS OUT THAT THEY NEED ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, THERE  
5 WOULD BE A FUNDING COMPONENT TO THAT. AND THEN THE LAST THING  
6 THE DEPARTMENT'S WORKING ON IS A PILOT PROGRAM FOR  
7 ELECTRONICALLY TRACKING GRIEVANCES THROUGH IPADS. AND THEY  
8 HAVE THE FUNDING FOR THE PILOT PROGRAM. IF THEY'RE SUCCESSFUL  
9 IN THE PILOT PROGRAM, BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT  
10 MAY COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO FULLY  
11 IMPLEMENTED THE ELECTRONIC TRACKING PROGRAM. AS DESCRIBED TO  
12 ME, IT SOUNDS LIKE IT IS A REALLY EFFECTIVE WAY OF TRACKING  
13 INMATE GRIEVANCES. IN SOME WAYS IT'S SOUNDING PERHAPS TOO GOOD  
14 TO BE TRUE, BUT IT'S CERTAINLY WORTH THE PILOT PROGRAM AND IF  
15 IT DOES WORK, IT WILL BE MUCH MORE EFFECTIVE IN TRACKING  
16 INMATE GRIEVANCES. AND THAT COMPLETES MY REPORT.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
19 TESTIMONY, AND WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM ASSISTANT SHERIFF  
20 MCDONALD FOR HER RESPONSE. AND THEN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AN  
21 OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC STAND READY TO  
22 GIVE YOUR INPUT, AS WELL.

23

24 **TERRI MCDONALD:** THANK YOU MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS. I WANT TO GIVE  
25 AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT FORCE WAS LOOKING LIKE, AND MR. CHAIR AS



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1 REQUESTED EARLIER THE NEXT TIME WE PRESENT WE'LL ADD SOME  
2 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THIS. AS WAS MENTIONED BY MR. BOBB  
3 FORCE IS UP IN 2013. AND MOST OF THE FORCE IS WHAT I WOULD  
4 CONSIDER LESS EXTREME LEVELS OF FORCE, MOSTLY CORRECTED FORCE  
5 OR RESCUE FORCE FOR FIGHTS. BUT FORCE IS UP, AND AGAIN I'M NOT  
6 TOO CONCERNED AT THIS POINT BECAUSE YOU WOULD EXPECT FORCE  
7 NUMBERS TO GO UP WHEN YOU START REQUIRING THAT EVERY USE OF  
8 FORCE IS TRACKED. SO I THINK 2013 BECOMES THE NEW BASELINE FOR  
9 THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM. HAVING SAID THAT, THOUGH, WE'RE  
10 DOING SOME ADDITIONAL DEEP DIVE INTO FORCE SO WE GET AN  
11 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S GOING ON WITH, SAY, NONRESCUE OR  
12 NONPROTECTIVE FORCE OR NONDIRECTED FORCE AS WELL AS, AGAIN  
13 UNDERSTAND WE'RE HAVING TRENDS WHERE MENTAL HEALTH FORCE IS  
14 HIGHER IN THE MENTAL HEALTH UNIT, SO ARE WE DOING GOOD WITH  
15 DE-ESCALATION AND TRAINING TECHNIQUES THERE? SO AS MENTIONED  
16 LAST TIME, THE CATEGORY 3 FORCES ARE THOSE FORCES THAT THERE'S  
17 A MAJOR INJURY OR APPEAR TO BE A CLEAR VIOLATION OF POLICY.  
18 SINCE I LAST REPORTED, WE WERE AT 6 WHEN I LAST REPORTED. WE  
19 ARE NOW AT 7. SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE, I'VE BEEN HERE NOW FOR  
20 FOUR MONTHS, I'VE SEEN WHAT I WOULD CONSIDER QUESTIONABLE USES  
21 OF FORCE ON AT LEAST THREE EVENTS. GENERALLY ON THOSE EVENTS  
22 FORCE WAS NECESSARY BUT THE EMPLOYEES APPEARED TO NOT HAVE  
23 MAINTAINED AS MUCH RESTRAINT AND CONTROL AS WOULD BE EXPECTED  
24 BY BOTH POLICY AND THE SHERIFFS AND MY EXPECTATION OF USE OF  
25 FORCE. THOSE ARE ALL CURRENTLY WITH INTERNAL AFFAIRS OR



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1 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS. CATEGORY 1 ARE THOSE FORCES WHERE  
2 THERE'S NO MAJOR INJURIES, NO ALLEGATIONS OF EXCESSIVE FORCE.  
3 AND THAT IS THE BULK OF THE FORCE WITHIN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL  
4 SYSTEM. AND THAT CONTINUES TO TREND MONTH OVER MONTH  
5 APPROXIMATELY THE SAME. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD ASKED EARLIER  
6 ABOUT THE DUAL TRACK, AND I HAD MENTIONED I WAS GOING TO TALK  
7 A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT WE LEARNED. AND I APOLOGIZE THE DATE  
8 ON THIS WAS WRONG. IT WAS SATURDAY, JULY 13TH. BUT THE FIRST  
9 EXAM WE DID WHERE IT WAS DESIGNED TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO TEST  
10 SIMPLY FOR CUSTODY OR FOR THE DUAL TRACK CAREER, WE HAD A GOOD  
11 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES WHO ASKED TO TAKE THE EXAM. NOW, THE  
12 ACTUAL TURNOUT WASN'T 1,948. I THINK IT WAS AROUND 1,300. BUT  
13 THOSE ORIGINALLY APPLYING, ROUGHLY 1,000 WANTED TO GO 977  
14 EITHER TO CUSTODY OR PATROL, TAKE A DUAL TEST. AND THEN AS JOB  
15 OPPORTUNITIES OPENED FOR THEM, THEY COULD SELECT WHATEVER WAS  
16 BEST FOR THEM. ROUGHLY 300 ASKED TO JUST STAY WITHIN CUSTODY.  
17 AND ROUGHLY 700, 674 WANTED TO DO PATROL. SO I WAS GLAD TO SEE  
18 THIS LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION AND DESIRE BECAUSE, REALLY, HOW  
19 YOU BEGIN TO TURN CUSTODY AROUND IS THAT YOU BEGIN TO HIRE  
20 SERGEANTS WHO MAKE A LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO CUSTODY VERSUS  
21 PEOPLE COMING IN FOR A YEAR OR TWO AND THEN TAKING THEIR  
22 EXPERIENCE OUT TO PATROL AND THE MOST EXPERIENCED PEOPLE IN  
23 THE JAILS ARE THE LINE LEVEL EMPLOYEES. SO, I WANTED TO GIVE A  
24 REPORT ON THAT ONE. AND I WILL THANK THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND  
25 MR. DROOYAN FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO HELP US WITH RESOURCE



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1 ALLOCATION REQUESTS TO THE BOARD AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THAT  
2 AND I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FOR MR.  
5 DROOYAN OR SHERIFF MCDONALD? HEARING NONE AT THIS POINT, OH,  
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA? THEN WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WAS VERY CONCERNED ON MANY ASPECTS OF THIS  
9 REPORT AND ON FOLLOW-UP. RIGHT NOW WE'RE HOPEFULLY IN A  
10 PATHWAY OF IMPLEMENTING RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE IN A  
11 PATHWAY OF TRYING TO HOPEFULLY CORRECT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS OF  
12 THE PAST ON A PATHWAY OF TRYING TO HOPEFULLY DESTROY MEN'S  
13 CENTRAL JAIL AND GET AN INSTANT UPGRADE OF IT WHICH IS GOING  
14 TO GO A LONG WAY AND MAYBE ON A PATHWAY TO GETTING MORE  
15 DEPUTIES INTO OUR CUSTODY AND MANAGEMENT. SO THESE ARE ALL  
16 PATHWAYS OF HOPEFULLY CORRECTING THE PROBLEMS OF PAST. BUT I'M  
17 STILL TROUBLED BY VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE PAST THAT ARE NOT  
18 SHOWING UP NECESSARILY IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS OR IF THEY'RE  
19 THERE, IT'S THEY ARE NEW RECOMMENDATIONS OR NEW POLICIES. I  
20 THINK LIKE ANYTHING ELSE, THE USE OF FORCE MANUAL, AS I AM  
21 BEING TOLD, IT REALLY ISN'T ANY DIFFERENT THAN IT WAS BEFORE.  
22 IT'S THE SAME. SEPARATE WORDS, NEW CHANGES, BUT ENOUGH THAT  
23 YOU DON'T HAVE TO RETRAIN YOUR OFFICERS. SO WHAT THAT SAYS TO  
24 ME, IT SAYS THAT YOU'VE ALWAYS HAD GOOD POLICY IN PLACE OR  
25 EFFECTIVE POLICY. GOOD OR EFFECTIVE POLICY AS FAR AS USE OF



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1 FORCE. BUT SOMEHOW PEOPLE WERE FUDGING AROUND THE EDGES. AND  
2 SO CONSEQUENTLY EITHER THAT HAPPENED BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW  
3 WHAT THEY WERE DOING, THEIR REACTION WAS INAPPROPRIATE, THEY  
4 WERE DOING IT INTENTIONALLY, OR THINGS GOT OUT OF HAND WHERE  
5 MANAGEMENT WAS TURNING THEIR BACK ON SOME OF THESE ISSUES AND  
6 IT FESTERED INTO EVENTUALLY BECOMING MORE INTENTIONAL. I'M  
7 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT PART OF IT, THAT NO MATTER HOW WE DO A  
8 USE OF FORCE POLICY, HOW WE IMPLEMENT IT, HOW WE DO ANY ASPECT  
9 OF IT, IT'S ONLY AS EFFECTIVE AS MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION  
10 REVIEWS IT. SO, I KNOW THAT YOU'RE NEW TO OUR SYSTEM AND  
11 YOU'VE GOT A HANDFUL, BIG HANDFUL, AS WELL AS WE DO. WE ARE ON  
12 A PATH OF TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO PUT TOGETHER  
13 THE MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED  
14 TO RESTRUCTURE OUR WHOLE BUILD A NEW JAIL AND HOPEFULLY FIND A  
15 WAY TO KEEP THESE FELONS IN FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME, IF  
16 POSSIBLE, INSTEAD OF THE KIND OF LENIENCY WE HAVE NOW JUST  
17 BECAUSE THERE'S NOT ENOUGH ROOM, WE'RE LETTING MORE AND MORE  
18 PEOPLE OUT. WE'RE CERTAINLY ON A PATHWAY TO BRINGING MORE  
19 ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET. I KEEP MENTIONING THAT  
20 I'M VERY TIRED, VERY FRANKLY, ANNOYED BY HOW THE SHERIFF JUST  
21 SEEMS TO RUN OUT OF MONEY IN CERTAIN PLACES BUT NOT IN OTHERS  
22 AND TAKES IT OUT, YOU KNOW, ON US IN DIFFERENT WAYS, FINDING  
23 THAT PATHWAY TO EITHER INCITE SOME OF US BECAUSE OF PATROL OR  
24 OTHER WAYS THAT HE'S DOING IT, BUT IT'S TROUBLESOME. SO I HOPE  
25 THAT BESIDES THE C.E.O. LOOKING FOR THE KIND OF RESOURCES AND



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1 REVENUE THAT YOU NEED, HE IS ALSO THINKING OF HOW TO KEEP THE  
2 SHERIFF MORE HONEST ABOUT HIS BUDGETING PROCESS. AND THAT IS  
3 CERTAINLY SOMETHING THAT HOPEFULLY IS GOING TO BE IN A PATHWAY  
4 FOR DISCUSSION IN SEPTEMBER. I'M TROUBLED BY IT. I'M ANNOYED.  
5 MAN, I HAVE TO GO COUNT THE NUMBER OF DEPUTY CARS THAT I HAVE  
6 IN EAST L.A., WHICH WE'RE DOING ON A REGULAR BASIS, JUST TO  
7 MAKE SURE THE SHERIFF IS HONEST. WE'D LIKE TO PAY HIS BILL,  
8 BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THOSE CARS ARE OUT THERE. WE'VE BEEN  
9 FIBBED TO IN THE PAST. BUT THE ISSUE HERE NOW IS AS WE LOOK AT  
10 IMPLEMENTATION MUCH THESE THINGS, AS WE LOOK FOR RESOURCES AND  
11 SO ON, I NEED SOMETHING FROM YOU THAT TELLS ME THAT YOU'RE  
12 GOING TO HAVE A MORE EFFECTIVE AND TIGHTER MANAGEMENT, THE  
13 KINDS OF THINGS THAT I HAVE SEEN FROM LIEUTENANTS AND  
14 SERGEANTS THAT WERE IN CHARGE OF CERTAIN DIVISIONS WITHIN  
15 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, HOW THEY DIDN'T -- THEY'VE TURNED THEIR  
16 BACK ON USE OF FORCE. THEY DIDN'T, YOU KNOW, FOLLOW THE  
17 REPORTS. THEY DIDN'T DO THESE KINDS OF THINGS. I AM NOT  
18 WILLING TO PUT MORE MONEY, TO CREATE A NEW JAIL TO JUST HAVE  
19 ALL OF THE PROBLEMS NOW LOCATED IN THE NEW FACILITY WITH MANY  
20 MORE DEPUTIES CARRYING ON. IT HAS TO BE A MECHANISM OF  
21 ACCOUNTABILITY. TAXPAYERS, I THINK, WILL WELCOME THE BUILDING  
22 OF A NEW JAIL NO MATTER WHAT THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IT. ONE  
23 RIGHT NOW AT THIS POINT IS ANYWHERE FROM 1.4 TO 1.7 BILLION. A  
24 LOT OF MONEY. I THINK THE TAXPAYERS HAVE NO PROBLEM HAVING US  
25 MAKE A BETTER INVESTMENT IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IN



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1 PUBLIC SAFETY. BUT THE TOLERANCE LEVEL FOR WHAT HAS BEEN GOING  
2 ON IN THE PAST IS -- IT'S NOT YOUR DOING. AND I'M NOT ACCUSING  
3 YOU OR ANYONE ELSE OF DOING IT. WHAT I'M SAYING IS NOW YOU'RE  
4 IN A LEADERSHIP ROLE, WHICH IS AN UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF  
5 RESPONSIBILITY ON YOUR SHOULDERS. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I  
6 THINK THAT WHAT WE NEED AS WE TRAVEL ON THIS PATH, BESIDES,  
7 YOU KNOW, COUNTING THE NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND SO ON IS  
8 HOW ACCOUNTABILITY IS GOING TO FUNCTION AND WORK. I DON'T KNOW  
9 THAT THE PEOPLE THAT YOU MOVE UP, UP THE LADDER IT SORT OF  
10 LOOKS LIKE ONE OF KISSING THE RING RATHER THAN DOING AN  
11 EFFECTIVE JOB. I DON'T KNOW. BUT THERE WAS -- HAS BEEN A LOT  
12 OF PEOPLE PUT IN THE WRONG PLACES FOR ALL THE WRONG REASONS.  
13 AND I THINK YOU HAVE A LOT OF WELL-INTENTIONED DEPUTIES THAT  
14 UNFORTUNATELY WATCH THIS HAPPEN AS THEY GET PASSED UP ALONG  
15 THE WAY BECAUSE OF OTHERS WHO ARE CURRYING FAVOR TO THE BRASS  
16 THAT INSTEAD WE'RE NOT GETTING THE BEST AND THE MOST EFFECTIVE  
17 PEOPLE TO ADMINISTER AND SUPERVISOR LOWER-LEVEL DEPUTIES. AND  
18 SO THAT'S WHAT CREATES, I THINK, THE CORRUPTION, THE PROBLEMS  
19 AND SO ON. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S A KEY, BUT I DO KNOW THAT AS  
20 I'VE LOOKED AT THIS, IT ISN'T A MATTER OF BUILDING NEW POLICY,  
21 WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE CHARGED WITH DOING. THAT'S ALL WE CAN DO.  
22 WE CAN'T MANAGE. YOU ALL CAN. AND, REALLY, THE CRUX OF THE  
23 ENTIRE PROBLEM OF THIS ISSUE, THE FACT THAT WE ARE BEING --  
24 THAT THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IS WITH US, THAT WE ARE BEFORE  
25 A GRAND JURY, THAT WE ARE AT THIS POINT IS BECAUSE OF



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1 MISMANAGEMENT. THAT'S WHAT IT IS. IT'S TOTAL MISMANAGEMENT.  
2 WHETHER IT'S RESOURCES, WHETHER IT'S, YOU KNOW, ALL THE HIRING  
3 POLICIES, THE UPWARD MOBILITY, MANAGERS DOING THEIR JOBS, THIS  
4 IS WHAT IT'S ABOUT. IT'S FALLING APART AT THE TOP. AND I KNOW  
5 THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF LOWER-LEVEL DEPUTIES THAT ARE GETTING  
6 BLAMED FOR IT, AND CERTAINLY WHEN I'VE SEEN USE OF FORCE, I'M  
7 A BIG ONE TO -- BUT I ALWAYS WONDER IF THEY'RE THERE, PART OF  
8 IT, TO CURRY FAVOR TO THE BRASS OR UPWARDS. THIS IS TROUBLING.  
9 IT SHOULDN'T BE HAPPENING TODAY. I HOPE THAT AS WE CONTINUE TO  
10 SEE IT ISN'T JUST ABOUT STATISTICS "OH LOOK, MA, IT'S COMING  
11 DOWN, THIS IS GOOD", I WOULD RATHER THAT THERE BE A MAJOR  
12 INVESTMENT IN RESTRUCTURING THE ADMINISTRATION OF OUR CUSTODY  
13 IN A WAY THAT TAKES A LOT OF THOSE OLD GUYS AND PUTS THEM OUT  
14 TO PASTURE SOMEWHERE AND FINDS A WAY TO BRING REALLY THE KIND  
15 OF FOLKS THAT ARE DEDICATED. THIS IS A TOUGH JOB, AN  
16 UNBELIEVABLY TOUGH JOB, BUT ALL WE HAVE IS YOU ALL TO PROTECT  
17 US FROM THE BAD GUYS. THAT'S ALL WE HAVE. AND WE DON'T HAVE  
18 ANYTHING ELSE. AND SO CONSEQUENTLY, WHEN I KNOW THAT WE'RE  
19 FUNDING THIS WHOLE TEAM OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, I WANT  
20 TO FUND IT APPROPRIATELY AND EFFECTIVELY SO IT DOES A GOOD JOB  
21 TO PROTECT ME FROM THE BAD GUYS. BUT WHEN THE BAD GUYS ARE  
22 LINING AND GETTING TO BE PART OF THAT MIDDLE, AND I KNOW THAT  
23 I'M EMPOWERING, GIVING AUTHORITY TO, TO BAD GUYS IN OUR SYSTEM  
24 THAT ARE NOT ROOTED OUT, AND I KNOW HOW BOLD THIS MUST BE IN  
25 ORDER TO DO IT, LAW ENFORCEMENT'S REALLY, REALLY A DIFFICULT



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1 SITUATION, BUT IF YOU WERE A CAREER LAW ENFORCEMENT INDIVIDUAL  
2 AS YOU ARE, CERTAINLY YOU WOULD WANT TO HAVE THE KIND OF TRACK  
3 RECORD THAT CERTAINLY LETS ALL OF US, FROM TAXPAYERS KNOW,  
4 THAT WE SHOULD BE PAYING ALL OF THE RESOURCES NECESSARY TO  
5 KEEP US SAFE. WE NEED TO DO THAT. WE AS TAXPAYERS NEED TO MAKE  
6 THAT INVESTMENT. AND WE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND GOVERNMENT  
7 NEED TO EMPOWER YOU TO TAKE ON ALL THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES AND  
8 HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY THAT OUT. BUT WITH THE ABUSE OF  
9 POWER, WITH THE ABUSE OF THESE POLICIES AND ALL OF THOSE KINDS  
10 OF THINGS IS WHEN IT STARTS MAKING US NERVOUS. I DON'T HAVE A  
11 PROBLEM INVESTING THE BILLION THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO  
12 CREATE A NEW JAIL. I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM BRINGING IN  
13 RESOURCES TO HIRE NEW DEPUTIES TO GET NEW CUSTODY OFFICIALS IN  
14 PLACE TO PROTECT AND MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE MAINTAINING OUR JAIL  
15 SYSTEM. I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE FACT THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY.  
16 AND WHILE WE THINK WE'RE ON A PATHWAY OF CORRECTION, I'M NOT  
17 GETTING THE FULL ASSURANCES. THE NUMBERS THEMSELVES ARE NOT  
18 GOING TO DO IT. I MEAN, I'M TROUBLED BY THIS INVESTIGATION,  
19 WHAT WE KNOW AND WHAT WE HEAR. IT'S TROUBLING EVERY SINGLE  
20 DAY. IT'S BAD ENOUGH WHAT WE HEAR IN THE PUBLIC SETTING; YOU  
21 SHOULD HEAR IT IN CLOSED SESSION. IT'S UGLIER. AND WHAT YOU  
22 HEAR MUST EVEN BE UGLIER THAN THAT. THE REALITY IS: WE NEED TO  
23 START A NEW PATH OF PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.  
24 WE'RE WILLING TO PUT IN THE RESOURCES. WE NEED THAT  
25 PARTNERSHIP OF ACCOUNTABILITY. AND NO MATTER WHAT MR. DROOYAN



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1 AND HIS TEAM CARRY OUT, IT WON'T BE EFFECTIVE UNLESS THERE'S A  
2 PARTNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO REALLY MAKE IT EFFECTIVE. I'M  
3 TRYING ALL THAT WE CAN. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MANY OPPORTUNITIES  
4 TO VISIT. I CAN SIT HERE AND BE DISGRUNTLED AND CALL IT OUT AS  
5 IT IS, IT MEANS NOTHING AT THE END OF THE DAY IF WE'RE NOT  
6 BUILDING THAT PARTNERSHIP. ALL WE CAN DO IS BE POLICYMAKERS  
7 AND RESOURCES. AND BELIEVE ME, I AM REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE  
8 SHERIFF AND HIS RESOURCES AND HOW HE'S ALLOCATING THEM AND  
9 TRYING TO FIND THOSE WAYS TO BRING MORE ACCOUNTABILITY. BUT AS  
10 FAR AS POWER IS CONCERNED, ALL I CAN DO IS GIVE YOU THE  
11 AUTHORITY AND THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT YOU NEED AS LAW  
12 ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS TO PROTECT ALL OF US COLLECTIVELY. I  
13 DON'T WANT THAT ABUSE OF POWER, WHICH SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN GOING  
14 ON IN THE PAST. IT NEEDS TO BE CORRECTED. SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE  
15 THAT ARE OLD SCHOOL, IT'S GOT TO MOVE ALONG OR GET WITH THE  
16 NEW PLAN AND RESPECT WHAT TAXPAYERS DEMAND OF LAW ENFORCEMENT.  
17 SO I HOPE THAT YOU LOOK AT THESE OPPORTUNITIES AS THOSE WAYS  
18 THAT WE CAN BUILD THAT PARTNERSHIP AND PATHWAY. I THANK YOU  
19 FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING. I KNOW IT'S TOUGH. AND I KNOW  
20 IT'S TOUGH IN THE ENVIRONMENT THAT YOU'RE IN FROM THE  
21 STANDPOINT WITH ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT ARE CONSTANTLY POPPING  
22 UP. BUT WE WANT TO BE THAT PARTNER. BUT, AGAIN, WE NEED MORE  
23 REASSURANCES. SO I APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE AND SHARING THAT.  
24 YOUR INFORMATION WITH US. BUT I REALLY DO HOPE THAT AS WE LOOK  
25 AT THE RESOURCES AND WE LOOK AT REBUILDING THE JAIL, WE'RE



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1 GOING TO NEED FURTHER REASSURANCES THESE KINDS OF THINGS WILL  
2 STOP COMPLETELY AND THAT PARTNERSHIP IS AS SOLID AS EVER.

3

4 **TERRI MCDONALD:** WE LOOK FORWARD TO THAT OPPORTUNITY. AND IF I  
5 COULD JUST-- I CAME IN NOT KNOWING WHAT TO EXPECT. YOU CAN  
6 IMAGINE. I READ THE ARTICLES. I HEARD EVERYTHING EVERYBODY  
7 ELSE HEARD. I AM VERY PLEASED WITH THE MANAGEMENT TEAM THAT  
8 WORKS FOR ME IN CUSTODY. I'M VERY PLEASED WITH THE DEPUTIES.  
9 I'M NOT SAYING IT'S 100 PERCENT. BUT I WILL TELL YOU THERE ARE  
10 A LOT OF VERY SMART, HARDWORKING, ETHICAL PEOPLE IN THE  
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND IN THE CUSTODY DIVISION. AND I'M  
12 EXCITED TO BE PART OF THIS TEAM AND EXCITED TO WORK WITH YOU  
13 GUYS AND BUILD RELATIONSHIPS. SO I WOULDN'T WANT TO WALK AWAY  
14 FROM HERE AND NOT SHARE WITH YOU THAT YOU HAVE INCREDIBLE  
15 PEOPLE REPRESENTING YOU IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE  
16 JAILS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** I BELIEVE THAT. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
21 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FOR MR.  
22 DROOYAN OR SHERIFF MCDONALD? SEEING NONE, I MOVE TO THE  
23 PUBLIC. IF YOU CAN COME FORWARD SO WE CAN HEAR YOUR INPUT.  
24 DENISE PAZ, KIM BELL WENROSTA, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN,  
25 FLOYD HAYHURST, MELLO DESIRE, PATRICK O'ROURKE. AND TERESIJA



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1 SIGMUND. IF YOU WOULD PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. MAY I DIRECT YOUR  
2 ATTENTION SPECIFICALLY TO S-2? THANK YOU.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
5 DISTRICT 3 AND I'VE LOOKED AT S-2 VERY CLOSELY. I APPRECIATE  
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S REMARKS TO A DEGREE, BUT I MUST SAY THAT  
7 THE IDEA THAT THE PUBLIC VERY MUCH WANTS A 1.4 TO 1.7 BILLION  
8 DOLLAR JAIL IS A FLAT-OUT MISREPRESENTATION OF WHAT THE PUBLIC  
9 WANTS. THE PUBLIC WANTS PUBLIC SAFETY. THE PUBLIC WANTS TO  
10 TRUST OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING. WE  
11 VALUE AND REVERE OUR DEPUTIES WHO ARE ABIDING BY THE RULES AND  
12 LAWS. THE USE-OF-FORCE MANUAL HAS BEEN LIGHTLY ADJUSTED AS SHE  
13 POINTED OUT AND THAT IS WORRISOME. THE THINGS THAT HAPPENED  
14 SINCE MAY WHEN DROOYAN LAST BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION WHAT WAS  
15 GOING ON, WE HAVE NOW APPROVED A 26 MILLION DOLLAR CAMERA  
16 ORDER, WHICH IS LUDICROUS BECAUSE NOT ONE RESIDENT FROM L.A.  
17 COUNTY, I THINK THIS IS ACCURATE, EXCEPT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT,  
18 HAVE SEEN A SINGLE FRAME OF THAT FOOTAGE NOR WILL THEY EVER  
19 BECAUSE OF THE RULES AND LAWS ABOUT THAT. I DO VALUE RECORDING  
20 WHAT'S HAPPENING BUT I DON'T THINK IT'S THE SOLUTION. I THINK  
21 WE HAVE TO HAVE A CULTURAL CHANGE. WE'VE ADDED AN INMATE  
22 GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR, WHICH IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE PERSON OF  
23 NOTE, NOTHING UNUSUAL THERE. WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF  
24 ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEES. ALADS, APPARENTLY IS STILL HOLDING  
25 OFF ON RESOLVING WHETHER OR NOT CAPTAINS AND REDUCED PENALTIES



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1 FOR DISCIPLINE, THE DISCIPLINE ISSUE HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED  
2 AND THAT'S VERY UPSETTING. ITEM NUMBER 4 ON MY LIST, THE  
3 ROTATION PLAN SEEMS TO BE UNDERWAY. CUSTODY ASSISTANT, 5/29/13  
4 THE FIRST GROUP STARTED THEIR TRAINING, WE'LL SEE HOW THAT  
5 GOES. ONCE AGAIN THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES THAT LIMIT  
6 PROBATIONARY PERIODS, THE SHERIFF HAS DECIDED HE DOES NOT WANT  
7 TO CHANGE C.E.O. APPROVED FUNDING, AS WE HEARD, OR IS  
8 RECOMMENDING FUNDING FOR 64 POSITIONS AND 13 MILLION DOLLARS A  
9 YEAR. AND THAT IS JUST THE BEGINNING. THIS IS A SERIOUS,  
10 SERIOUS PROBLEM, FOLKS. WE HAVE GOT TO FIND A WAY -- WE HAVE  
11 TO FIND A MEANINGFUL WAY TO GET THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET. WE'VE  
12 CALLED FOR AN AUDIT FROM MISS WATANABE.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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16 **ERIC PREVEN:** LET'S EXPEDITE THAT AUDIT.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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20 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MS. PAZ?

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24 **DENISE PAZ:** OKAY. HI, I'M DENISE. MANY OF OUR INMATES ARE  
25 FOSTER CHILDREN WHO WHEN THEY TURN 18 ARE KICKED TO THE CURB



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1 WITH NO SAFETY. THEY HAVE TO EAT OUT OF GARBAGE CANS, OUTREACH  
2 FOOD PANTRIES AND DON'T HAVE NO OTHER WAY TO SURVIVE, SO THEY  
3 START A CRIMINAL LIFESTYLE AND DEVELOP A MENTAL ILLNESS. WE  
4 NEED TO WORK ON EMANCIPATION AND LIFE SKILLS TO TEACH THEM A  
5 BETTER WAY OF LIFE. THIS IS A VISION WHERE THESE CHILDREN ARE  
6 RAISED IN THE SYSTEM AND BECOME A PARENT IN THE SYSTEM, ADDING  
7 TO THE VIOLENCE IN THE JAIL AND THIS CAN BE RECOMMENDED TO  
8 REFORM JAIL VIOLENCE. SO, OKAY. WHERE IS THE CHAIRMAN? OH,  
9 OKAY. WELL I'M DONE. CHAIRMAN IS HIDING.

10

11 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** SHE ASKED ME TO GO FIRST. I CANNOT HELP BUT  
12 SEE THE CONTEMPT THAT THIS BOARD HAS FOR THE SPEAKERS OF THE  
13 PUBLIC HERE TODAY. THREE MEMBERS ARE MISSING. WE DO NOT HAVE A  
14 QUORUM DURING THE PUBLIC SPEAKING PART. YOU LISTENED THERE,  
15 YOU SAT ATTENTIVELY LISTENING TO YOUR PROFESSIONALS THAT YOU  
16 PAY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR, AND PEOPLE OF THE PUBLIC THAT  
17 HAVE COMMON SENSE, THAT HAVE USE, THAT HAVE BASIC  
18 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S GOING ON, YOU ARE CONTEMPTIBLY  
19 DISAVOWING AND ACKNOWLEDGING. IT IS CONTEMPTIBLE THAT YOU  
20 SHOULD TREAT THE PUBLIC LIKE THIS AND NOT HAVE A QUORUM DURING  
21 THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THIS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT DISCUSSION. I  
22 HAVE THREE COPIES HERE OF MY REPORT LAST WEEK THAT I MADE ON  
23 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHETHER THEY BE PRIVATE  
24 CORPORATIONS HIRED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OR COUNTY  
25 EMPLOYEES THAT THEY HAVE A PROPER GRIEVANCE PROCESS ACCORDING



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1 TO THE FIRST AMENDMENT. EVERYBODY TALKS ABOUT THE FREEDOM OF  
2 SPEECH. WE HAVE A RIGHT TO SPEAK OUR MIND. AND WE HAVE A RIGHT  
3 TO BE HEARD, AND WE HAVE A RIGHT TO OUR GRIEVANCE BEFORE A  
4 JUDICIAL BOARD READS YOUR FREAKING CONSTITUTION. I HAVE  
5 MENTIONED THIS OVER AND OVER, AND I HAVE BEEN POO-POOED, I'VE  
6 BEEN DENIED MY RIGHT. A SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEE CAME INTO MY  
7 APARTMENT WITH A D.C.F.S. EMPLOYEE, MADE ME STAND IN THE  
8 MIDDLE OF THE ROOM IN MY UNDERWEAR, IN MY UNDERWEAR WITHOUT  
9 ANY GLASSES ON, I COULD NOT SEE WHO THEY WERE. AND REFUSED TO  
10 TURN OVER THEIR CARD. FOR AN INSPECTION OF MY APARTMENT. THIS  
11 IS REPREHENSIBLE. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR DECADES. MY AUNT  
12 WORKED ON -- WITH PITCHESS TO GET THE GUN, THE SECONDARY  
13 WEAPONS THAT THE SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEES HAVE, THAT WERE ARMED  
14 WITH, TO GET THEM REGISTERED. SHE GOT A FEMALE BUS PLAQUE FOR  
15 HER WORK. AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT? THERE WAS NO FEMALE BUS  
16 PLAQUE, AN AWARD BEFORE THAT. YOUR PREDECESSORS GAVE HER THAT  
17 AWARD. THIS BOARD IS CONTEMPTUOUS OF THE PUBLIC. AND IT  
18 SUPPORTS THE EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND IT  
19 DENIGRATES AND ABUSES THE PUBLIC. ALL THE GRIEVANCES COME TO  
20 NAUGHT. WE COME HERE ASKING FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW. WHEN WE BRING  
21 OUR GRIEVANCES, IT'S A FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO HAVE A  
22 JUDICIAL REVIEW. AND YOU HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO RESPOND -- TO  
23 RESPOND TO THOSE GRIEVANCES IN PUBLIC. NOT TO HIDE BEHIND  
24 COURT CASES AND LITIGATION AND COSTING TAXPAYERS THOUSANDS AND  
25 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, MR. O'ROURKE, LET IT  
3 BE NOTED.

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5 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON THE REPORT?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I WISH TO SAY THAT THE  
8 ADDITIONAL TIME WAS AFFORDED YOU.

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10 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** I APPRECIATE THAT, THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THE FACT THAT YOU FLAGGED THAT  
13 THERE WAS THE ABSENCE OF A QUORUM, LET ME SAY FOR THE RECORD  
14 THAT IT IS NOT CONTEMPTIBLE, IT'S ILLOGICAL. THANK YOU VERY  
15 MUCH.

16

17 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** I WAS FINALLY ABLE TO SAY IT IN THREE  
18 MINUTES. TWO MINUTES IS NOT ENOUGH. IT REALLY IS ON SOMETHING  
19 THIS IMPORTANT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** TRYING TO MAKE ANOTHER POINT.  
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU MAY PROCEED, MA'AM.

23

24 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** OKAY. THERE'S NO TIME. YES. I THINK THAT  
25 ANOTHER WAY THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE IN HAVING



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1 ACCOUNTABILITY IS TO HAVE SOMETHING ALMOST LIKE A MENTOR  
2 PROGRAM. BECAUSE IF YOU HAVE A SHERIFF, PARTICULARLY  
3 ACCOUNTABLE FOR CERTAIN PEOPLE, JUST LIKE WE DID IN SCHOOL IN  
4 GERMANY WHERE YOU'RE ACTUALLY ACCOUNT ACCOUNTABLE FOR A  
5 CERTAIN GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO COMES INTO THE SCHOOL, I THINK YOU  
6 HAVE THE SYSTEM HERE, TOO, IT WOULD BE ACTUALLY GREAT TO GET  
7 TO KNOW EACH OTHER BECAUSE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT HUMAN BEINGS.  
8 I KNOW MS. GLORIA MOLINA SAYS YOU HAVE TO BE SAVE FROM THESE  
9 BAD, BAD PEOPLE AND ALL THAT, BUT MOST OF THOSE PEOPLE COME  
10 FROM THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. I'M SURE THEY HAVE THEIR OWN  
11 STORY WHY THEY ARE WHAT THEY ARE. IF ONE PERSON BELIEVES IN  
12 YOU, JUST ONE PERSON, YOU COULD MAKE SUCH A CHANGE IN SO MANY  
13 PEOPLE, THEY JUST NEED ONE PERSON. I THINK IF A SHERIFF'S  
14 DEPUTY GOT THE STORY OF THE PEOPLE AND KNOW THAT THEY'RE LIKE  
15 THE PARSON TO GO TO IF THERE IS A PROBLEM. MAYBE HAVE TWO OF  
16 THEM IF ONE IS NOT ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE, THEN YOU COULD HAVE A  
17 GREAT IMPROVE BECAUSE NO MATTER WHAT, YOU'RE THE GUARD AND YOU  
18 KNOW YOUR PRISONER. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS REMEMBER THE  
19 MILLGRIM EXPERIENCE IN STANFORD, PEOPLE GO CRAZY JUST BY THE  
20 POWER THAT THEY'RE ASSIGNED EVEN RANDOMLY. AND WHAT WE CAN  
21 LEARN FROM THAT IS THAT WE HAVE TO CONNECT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE  
22 DOING THE GUARDING. AND ALSO MOST OF THESE PEOPLE COME FROM  
23 VERY BAD POVERTY BACKGROUNDS. JUST YESTERDAY A STUDY CAME OUT  
24 THAT A CRACK BABY ISN'T ALL IT'S CRACKED OUT TO BE. IT'S  
25 BETTER TO BE A CRACK BABY THAN TO GROW UP IN POVERTY. MOST OF



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1 THESE PEOPLE ARE BROWN, MELANIN RICH OF SOME SORT, AND THEY  
2 GREW UP IN POVERTY. AND NOW WE CRIMINALIZE THEM. I'M SURE  
3 THEY'VE DONE SOMETHING TO BE THERE. BUT IT SEEMS SO EASY TO  
4 GET THERE. I THINK WE HAVE TO GET RID OF THE TRAYVON MARTIN  
5 SYNDROME WHERE JUST THE COMPLEXION OF A PERSON IS AN  
6 INDICATOR TO ZOOM IN ON THAT PERSON.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI, I JUST WANTED TO COMMEND MS. MOLINA FOR REALLY  
11 POINTING OUT THE NEGATIVES FROM SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE  
12 PAST YEARS. I DON'T THINK ANYTHING CAN REALLY ULTIMATELY  
13 CHANGE THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT FOR SO LONG. IT'S ALMOST LIKE A  
14 CERTAIN CLUB IF YOU GO AGAINST IT YOU GET OUSTED. SO WHAT  
15 REALLY WE NEED TO DO IS AND I THANK YOU, MR. THOMAS, TO  
16 CONSIDER MORE RESOURCES FOR NOT ONLY YOUTH BUT INDIVIDUALS IN  
17 GENERAL SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO END UP IN CUSTODY OR ON THE PATH  
18 OF BEING IN THE SYSTEM. OVERALL, FUNDING FOR THE SHERIFF'S  
19 DEPARTMENT IN ANY CAPACITY I FEEL AT THIS POINT IS UNNECESSARY  
20 BECAUSE DUE TO WHAT'S BEEN SHOWN IN THE PAST YEARS, WE SHOWED  
21 THAT FUNDING IS NOT HONESTLY IMPLEMENTED AND NOT DISTRIBUTED  
22 PROPERLY TO WHAT'S NEEDED. AS FAR AS WHAT THE SHERIFF'S  
23 DEPARTMENT NEEDS, I BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE A NICE PORTION OF  
24 THE COUNTY'S PORTION EVERY YEAR, ANYHOW. AND TO ADD ANYTHING  
25 NEW TO THAT DEPARTMENT IS NOT NECESSARY. WHEN YOU HAVE PROPER



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1 TRAINING FOR THESE SHERIFFS TO GO THROUGH AND LEARN HOW TO  
2 TALK TO PEOPLE RATHER THAN TALKING DOWN TO THEM BECAUSE THEY  
3 WEAR A BADGE DOES. NOT GIVE THEM THE RIGHT TO OVERSTEP THE  
4 BOUNDARIES AND DISRESPECT HUMAN BEINGS IN GENERAL, WHICH WE  
5 HAVE, LIKE I SAID, MANY HORROR STORIES THAT AREN'T REPORTED BY  
6 PRISONERS, BY JUVENILE DELINQUENTS OR PEOPLE IN GENERAL JUST  
7 AN OBSERVATION OF HAVING A PROBLEM AND CALLING A SHERIFF TO  
8 RECTIFY IT, THEIR ATTITUDE IS VERY NONCHALANT. I CAN'T SAY  
9 THAT'S FOR ALL BUT THE MAJORITY OF IT. OVERALL, I WANT TO  
10 THANK MISS MOLINA FOR KEEPING AN EYE OPENER ON WHERE OUR  
11 FUNDING IS GOING, ESPECIALLY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL TAKE  
14 THE NEXT AND FINAL SPEAKER, I BELIEVE.

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. GOOD AFTERNOON. IT  
17 SEEMS BOBB IS IN, DROOYAN IS OUT. DROOYAN IS IN, BOBB IS OUT.  
18 TWO DIFFERENT REPORTS ON JAIL HOUSE VIOLENCE. TWO DIFFERENT  
19 SPEAKERS. ONE'S IN, ONE'S OUT. ONE'S OUT, ONE'S IN. HOW DO YOU  
20 JUSTIFY THAT? HOW DOES THAT EVEN MAKE ANY SENSE? IN ADDITION,  
21 WE'RE MISSING TWO SUPERVISORS. AND I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT  
22 THAT WHEN YOU'RE DISCUSSING THIS KIND OF ACTIVITY IN THE  
23 JAILS, ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS OUGHT TO BE AVAILABLE HERE ALSO AT  
24 THE SAME TIME. ORGANIZATIONAL CHART. I WILL LEAVE THIS COPY.  
25 THIS IS METRO'S ORGANIZATIONAL CHART BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT THE



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1 ITEM TALKS ABOUT. THE JAIL HOUSE VIOLENCE RECOMMENDATION UNDER  
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART. YOU CAN'T GET IT  
3 FROM METRO, YOU CAN'T GET IT. TAKE A LOOK AT THAT. AND THE  
4 COUNTY COUNSEL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR  
5 GENERAL. SO WE WILL HAVE THE SPECIAL COUNSEL, THE OFFICE OF  
6 THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW, THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, AND THE  
7 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL. AND TWO YEARS DOWN THE  
8 HIGHWAY WHEN WE HAVE NEW SUPERVISORS, WE'LL HAVE NEW REPORTS.  
9 FOUR REPORTS. FOUR SPECIAL REPORTS. BECAUSE WE HAVE A REPORT  
10 FROM MERRICK BOBB AND THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW AND WE  
11 HAVE A REPORT FROM THE CITIZENS COMMISSION, WHICH ISN'T  
12 ACTUALLY CONSIDERED ON HERE, ALTHOUGH THE COUNTY BOARD DID  
13 CONSIDER THAT ACTIVITY AS AN AGENDA ITEM BUT NEVER VOTED --  
14 BUT DIDN'T PASS IT, I DON'T BELIEVE, IN OCTOBER. THEY  
15 CONSIDERED IT BUT DIDN'T PASS IT. SO WE DON'T HAVE A STANDING  
16 COMMISSION ON JAIL HOUSE -- I GOT THE AGENDA ITEM SIR, TRUST  
17 ME ON THIS ONE. YOU DON'T TRUST ME ON ANYTHING ELSE, TRUST ME  
18 ON THAT ONE. AND THE JAIL.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I TRUST THAT YOU RECOGNIZE THAT  
21 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU.

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IF I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE IT, I APPRECIATE YOU  
24 REMINDING ME, SIR. YOU'RE CERTAINLY ON TOP OF THAT CASE.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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3 **FLOYD HAYHURST:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
4 MOLINA AND YAROSLAVSKY. I'M FLOYD HARRIS, PRESIDENT OF ALADS.  
5 THIRTY-YEAR VETERAN OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE CITIZENS  
6 COMMISSION ON VIOLENCE MADE DOZENS OF RECOMMENDATIONS.  
7 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE AT THE TOP OF THE  
8 LIST IS INADEQUATE STAFFING FOR COUNTY CUSTODY FACILITIES WITH  
9 ENOUGH DEPUTY SHERIFFS TO MAKE THE INMATES, JAIL STAFF AND  
10 SWORN PERSONNEL SAFE. BECAUSE THE SHERIFF IS WORKING WITH  
11 HUNDREDS OF DEPUTIES LESS THAN WE NEED, IT COMES AT NO  
12 SURPRISE THAT THE SHORTAGES ARE ALSO IN THE JAIL. SINCE MARCH,  
13 I'VE BEEN URGING ALL OF YOU TO TAKE ACTION THAT WOULD PROVIDE  
14 RESOURCE TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO RESTORE STAFFING  
15 LEVELS PRERECESSIONARY LEVELS. AS I'VE SAID NUMBERS OF TIMES,  
16 WE'RE DOWN MORE THAN 500 DEPUTY SHERIFFS SINCE 2008. STAFFING  
17 LEVELS ARE PRECARIOUSLY LOW IN COUNTRY AREA PATROL, CUSTODY  
18 AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS. WE'RE AWARE THAT THE BOARD HAS  
19 APPROVED ADDITIONAL RESOURCES OF 40 MILLION DOLLARS TO RESTART  
20 THE HIRING PROCESS. AND WE KNOW THAT YOU HAVE RESPONDED  
21 DIRECTLY TO THOSE NEW PATROL DEPUTIES TO BE DEPLOYED IN THE  
22 COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WHAT WE WANT YOU TO KNOW IS THAT  
23 THE NEW HIRING WON'T EVEN PROVIDE ENOUGH RELIEF FOR AT LEAST  
24 FOUR MONTHS. AND WE NEED THOSE POSITIONS NOW. TRAINED IN THE  
25 ACADEMY, SENT TO CUSTODY POSITIONS AND THEN TO CUSTODY



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1 DEPUTIES ALSO MUST GO TO 10 PATROL SCHOOLS. WE APPRECIATE THE  
2 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND HALF OF THE NUMBERS WE HAVE LOST OVER  
3 THE LAST FOUR YEARS, BUT WE STILL NEED RELIEF NOW. OUR  
4 DEPUTIES IN COUNTY-WIDE POSITIONS ARE STRETCHED TOO THIN. FOR  
5 EXAMPLE, I WILL BE LEAVING WITH YOU IN-SERVICE REPORTS FROM  
6 SEVERAL SHERIFF'S STATIONS PATROL STATIONS. ONE IS FROM A.M.  
7 FROM SANTA CLARITA. ONE IS FROM P.M. ON TRANSIT SERVICE  
8 BUREAU. AND ANOTHER ONE IS ON A TUESDAY ON MARCH 26TH AS WELL  
9 AS JUNE 21ST FROM TEMPLE STATION. THESE IN-SERVICE REPORTS  
10 THAT RANDOMLY SELECTED BUT THEY TELL A VERY SERIOUS STORY  
11 ABOUT HOW UNDERSTAFFED AND SERVED THE L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS  
12 ARE. IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, THERE WAS THREE UNINCORPORATED  
13 PATROL AREAS AND ONE CONTRACT CITY IN SANTA CLARITA, NEWHALL  
14 AND SAUGUS. WE HAD NOT ONE, TWO, THREE, BUT FOUR BUSTED CARS  
15 FOR DEPLOYMENT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THAT LEFT EIGHT  
16 PATROL CARS TO DO THE WORK OF 11. WHAT DO YOU THINK THAT DOES  
17 FOR RESPONSE TIMES? NOW, LET'S LOOK INTO THE IMPACT OF THE  
18 SOLD CAR CARPING PROGRAM. THE MARCH INSERVICE REPORTS FOR  
19 TRANSIT SERVICE BUREAU FOR TUESDAY SHOWS 26. 29 DEPUTIES' CARS  
20 FROM OTHER ASSIGNMENTS TOWARD TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU THAT  
21 NIGHT. THERE WERE ABOUT 70 DEPUTIES WORKING THEIR REGULAR  
22 ASSIGNMENT FOR THAT NIGHT, SO MORE THAN JUAN QUARTER OF THE  
23 DEPUTIES PUT IN FOR TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU WAS THE EQUIVALENT  
24 OF DEPUTIES WORKING TEMPORARY JOBS. AND FINALLY THE SECOND  
25 TIME I BROUGHT TO YOU IN-SERVICE REPORTING FROM TEMPLE



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1 STATION. OF THE 17 PATROL PERSONNEL ASSIGNED THAT SHIFT, 8  
2 WERE BUSTED, LEAVING 8 DEPUTIES AND ONE FIELD SERGEANT TO DO  
3 THE WORK OF 17 OFFICERS. AND THREE COUNTY PATROL AREAS,  
4 PASADENA, SOUTH SAN GABRIEL, MONROVIA AND ARCADIA THERE WERE  
5 NO OFFICERS ON PATROL. YOU KNOW, WE MUST BE AWARE OF THE  
6 AUGUST LIABILITIES OF NOT HAVING ENOUGH DEPUTIES ON TO THE JOB  
7 TO COVER THE ASSIGNMENTS DAILY. WHAT WE NEED NOW IS FOR THE  
8 BOARD TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR THE SHERIFF TO END  
9 OVERTIME ALLOWING ENOUGH OVERTIME FOR OTHER DEPUTIES WHILE  
10 ELIMINATING THE CARPETING THAT IS CHRONIC THROUGHOUT THE  
11 COUNTY. I WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP COMING BACK TO THE BOARD TO  
12 TRY TO URGE YOU TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THE STAFFING SHORTAGES  
13 WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR  
14 YAROSLAVSKY AND MR. THOMAS, THANK YOU ALL FOR CONTINUING TO  
15 SUPERVISE AND OVERSEE THE SHERIFF'S SPENDING. WHILE UNLIKE  
16 YOU, ALADS CANNOT OVERSEE THE SHERIFF'S SPENDING. WE CANNOT  
17 COUNT UPON ANYTHING THAT IS SAID FOR IT TO BE FOLLOWED OUT.  
18 HOPEFULLY YOU CAN. ON BEHALF OF ALL THE ALADS MEMBERS, THE  
19 DEPUTY SHERIFFS WORKING IN YOUR COUNTY, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
20 TIME.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
23 THAT ENDS THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM,  
24 CS-1. WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT AND NOW TAKE UP THE  
25 NEXT ITEM BEFORE US. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE.



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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS  
3 OF THE BOARD, WOULD BE ITEM NUMBER 18. AND THAT'S AN UPDATE BY  
4 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH  
5 SERVICES REGARDING THE AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE ACT.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR.  
8 FUJIOKA, DR. KATZ?

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10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE DEPARTMENT IS COMING FORWARD NOW, SIR.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** AS THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, I  
13 WILL QUICKLY TAKE UP THE TWO PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON  
14 THE ITEM ARE ARNOLD SACHS, YOU MAY BE HEARD OR YOU CAN WAIVE,  
15 PATRICK O'ROURKE, YOU CAN BE HEARD OR WAIVE, WHAT IS YOUR  
16 PLEASURE, GENTLEMEN? COME FORTH IMMEDIATELY. SIR? THAT WILL  
17 EFFECTIVELY CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ITEM. MR.  
18 O'ROURKE, THE FLOOR IS YOURS, SIR.

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20 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE, I'M FROM LOS  
21 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. ORIGINALLY I'M A RESIDENT OF SANTA  
22 MONICA. I'M ALSO A FORMER LASHA ABOARD MEMBER. I SAT ON ONE OF  
23 THEIR BOARDS ON THE CRENSHAW OFFICE UNDER ELENA POP. I HAVE  
24 EXPERIENCE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COALITION TO END HUNGER AND  
25 HOMELESSNESS. I WAS A MEMBER AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE



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1 HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK, SORRY I'M OUT OF BREATH, I  
2 RAN UP HERE. AND ALSO I HAVE WORKED WITH ACORN AMONG OTHER  
3 GROUPS AS A VOLUNTEER. I HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS. AND  
4 ONE THING I'M ASKING AGAIN IS THAT THE BOARD DOES NOT  
5 IMPLEMENT ANY NEW CONTRACTS OR CHANGE EVERYTHING UNTIL THE  
6 AGENCIES UNDER ITS DIRECTION, UNDER ITS CONTROL AND UNDER ITS  
7 JURISDICTION COMPLY WITH THE FIRST AMENDMENT. NO AGENCY SHOULD  
8 HAVE THE RIGHT, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, IF IT REPRESENTS  
9 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO DENY PEOPLE THE RIGHT TO  
10 COMPLAIN, TO DENY ACTION AGAINST -- EMPLOYEES UNDER ITS.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. O'ROURKE? THIS PERTAINS TO  
13 HEALTH REFORM SPECIFICALLY.

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15 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YES, I UNDERSTAND. I UNDERSTAND. IT IS A  
16 GOOD PLAN. I'M FOR IT. BUT IF THE AGENCIES INVOLVED  
17 CONTINUALLY REFUSE TO IMPLEMENT A PROPER COMPLAINT PROCESS, IF  
18 ANY AGENCY, THERE WERE A LOT OF AGENCIES THROUGHOUT L.A.  
19 COUNTY THAT HAVE A HORRIBLE, A HORRIBLE -- NOT JUST THE  
20 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, BUT A HORRIBLE TRACK RECORD OF TRACKING  
21 AND VERIFYING COMPLAINTS AND HAVING THEM HEARD IN A PROPER  
22 MANNER.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
2 TESTIMONY. MR. SACHS, PLEASE. ON ITEM 18 PERTAINING TO HEALTH  
3 REFORM.

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5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, SIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE WAS A VERY  
6 INTERESTING ARTICLE IN THE L.A. TIMES YESTERDAY. YESTERDAY,  
7 MAYBE SUNDAY. SUNDAY, ONE OR THE OTHER. "LEAVE THE PATIENTS  
8 SATISFIED. PATIENT EXPERIENCES NEW FOCUS. IT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH  
9 TO BE -- WAIT. COMPETITION IS PARTIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE  
10 TRANSFORMATION. PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO HOSPITAL PATIENT  
11 SATISFACTION AND QUALITY SCORES. IT'S PART OF THE NEW  
12 HEALTHCARE REFORM." PATIENT RESPONSE, PATIENT SATISFACTION IS  
13 CONSIDERED PART OF THE NEW HEALTHCARE REFORM. IT MENTIONS HERE  
14 "PUBLIC HOSPITALS MAY BE THE ONES TO LOSE THE MOST PATIENTS"  
15 BECAUSE THEY MAY NOT OFFER THE MOST SATISFACTORY EXPERIENCE.  
16 AND YET WE'VE HEARD NUMEROUS TIMES HOW THE COUNTY IS IN A RUSH  
17 TO SIGN PATIENTS UP SO THAT THEY CAN ENSURE THEY CAN GET MONEY  
18 FOR THAT. FOR WE KNOW THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE. BUT WHAT IS THE  
19 COUNTY ACTUALLY GOING TO DO TO CREATE POSITIVE PATIENTS  
20 EXPERIENCE? HOW ARE THEY GOING TO ADDRESS THE EXTENDED STAY  
21 PERIOD BEFORE YOU'RE SEEN AT ONE OF THE COUNTY HOSPITALS SUCH  
22 AS COUNTY U.S.C. OR HARBOR-U.C.L.A. OR OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL  
23 CENTER? THAT'S A REAL PROBLEM. AND I THINK THAT WOULD DIRECTLY  
24 RELATE TO PATIENT SATISFACTION. YOU THINK AFTER FOUR, FIVE,  
25 SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN, 12, 14 HOURS, 10, 12 HOURS,



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1 LET'S NOT GO 14, THAT PEOPLE MIGHT START TO GET A LITTLE  
2 DISSATISFIED AND END UP COSTING THE COUNTY SOME MONEY? WHAT'S  
3 THE COUNTY'S PLAN? WHAT'S THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER'S PLAN TO  
4 ELIMINATE THE WAIT IN THE COUNTY HOSPITALS? THANK YOU, SIR.  
5 FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE UNINFORMED.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE TAKE THIS  
8 OPPORTUNITY NOW TO INVITE THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES, DR.  
9 MITCH KATZ, FOR HIS PRESENTATION.

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11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE YOU AN  
12 UPDATE ON WHERE WE ARE WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. I WANT TO  
13 REVIEW OUR PRINCIPLES AND THEN SHOW YOU HOW WE THINK WE CAN  
14 BEST KEEP THE BOARD APPRAISED OF WHERE WE ARE AND SEEK YOUR  
15 INPUT AS TO WHETHER THIS IS A FORMAT THAT WORKS FOR YOU. SO  
16 REMEMBER THAT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS TO PROVIDE A LOT MORE  
17 CARE OF A HIGHER QUALITY WITHOUT SPENDING MORE MONEY. AND  
18 WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT BY PROVIDING THE RIGHT CARE AT THE  
19 RIGHT TIME, THE RIGHT LOCATION AND THE RIDE PROVIDER.  
20 CERTAINLY MY 2-1/2 YEARS HERE HAVE CONVINCED ME THAT THERE ARE  
21 A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES STILL TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF OUR  
22 SERVICES. WE'VE HAD DEFINITELY MADE PROGRESS IN A NUMBER OF  
23 AREAS. BUT THERE IS STILL ROOM FOR THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY TO  
24 PROVIDE MORE CARE OF A HIGHER QUALITY THAN WE ARE DOING TODAY.  
25 SO, THE REST OF THE SLIDES ARE SOME PREVIEWS OF WHAT WE'RE



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1 THINKING OF AS A DASHBOARD THAT WOULD GO TO YOU ON A REGULAR  
2 BASIS. IT COULD BE MORE OFTEN EVEN THAN THE ORAL PRESENTATIONS  
3 THAT WOULD TRACK WHERE WE ARE. HERE IS WHERE WE ARE AT HEALTHY  
4 WAY L.A. WITH 245,000 PEOPLE ENROLLED AND WITH A MAJOR  
5 IMPROVEMENT IN RE-DETERMINATIONS THANKS TO OUR SISTER AGENCY,  
6 THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WHICH HAVE HELPED US  
7 TREMENDOUSLY AROUND RE-DETERMINATIONS. WE ARE ON SCHEDULE WITH  
8 THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. TRANSITION INTO MEDICAID. ONE OF OUR  
9 PROBLEMS IN THE WHOLE HEALTHY WAY L.A. PROGRAM HAS ALWAYS BEEN  
10 NOT OUR FAULT, IT'S A TRANSITIONAL OBJECT. IT'S NEVER -- WAS  
11 NEVER MEANT TO BE THE FINAL ANSWER. THE FINAL ANSWER IS ALL OF  
12 THESE PEOPLE MOVING INTO MEDICAID. THIS WAS A STATE-CREATED  
13 PROGRAM UNDER THE FEDERAL WAIVER. I THINK IT'S BEEN VERY  
14 USEFUL. I THINK IT WILL HELP PEOPLE TO GET MEDICAID FASTER.  
15 BUT WE'VE ALWAYS HAD A CHALLENGE AND A QUESTION OF HOW MUCH  
16 RESOURCE DO YOU PUT INTO PERFECTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF  
17 A PROGRAM THAT'S GOING AWAY. AND RIGHT NOW THIS PROGRAM IS  
18 ONLY FIVE MONTHS FROM BEING OVER. WHAT DOES MATTER TO US IS  
19 DOING A GREAT JOB COMMUNICATING TO OUR MEMBERS THAT THEY WILL  
20 BE TRANSITIONED INTO MEDICAID, KNOWN AS MEDI-CAL IN OUR STATE  
21 ON 12/31/13. AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY'VE HAD A POSITIVE  
22 EXPERIENCE SO THEY WISH TO CHOOSE US. AS PART OF OUR  
23 DASHBOARD, WE WANT TO USE A SORT OF VISUAL, ESPECIALLY FOR  
24 PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO ARE WATCHING US, WHO ARE WATCHING  
25 YOU THROUGH THE TAPED VERSION, SO PEOPLE CAN SEE WHERE WE ARE,



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1 OUR GOAL FOR THE PRIMARY CARE MEDICAL HOMES IN THE AMBULATORY  
2 CARE NETWORK IS TO HAVE 144 HOMES. AND THAT A HOME MEANS THAT  
3 THERE IS, BESIDES THE PHYSICIAN, IN ORDER FOR OUR PHYSICIAN OR  
4 NURSE PRACTITIONER LEADS TO BE EFFECTIVE, WE NEED FOR THEM TO  
5 HAVE A CARE MANAGER IN PLACE. WE NEED A SERVICE COORDINATOR IN  
6 PLACE. WE NEED A CAREGIVER IN PLACE. AND WE NEED A MEDICAL  
7 ASSISTANT. AND WHAT THIS DOES IS IT ENSURES THAT WE'RE  
8 SPENDING THE PHYSICIAN OR NURSE PRACTITIONER'S TIME IN THE  
9 MOST PRODUCTIVE WAY POSSIBLE. TO BE EFFICIENT, EVERYBODY HAS  
10 TO WORK AT THE TOP OF THEIR GAME. IF WHEN I AM SITTING IN THE  
11 CLINIC, IF I AM DOING A CLERICAL FUNCTION THAT COULD BE DONE  
12 BY SOMEBODY ELSE, THE POINT IS THAT I'M NOT USING MY SKILLS AS  
13 AN ADULT INTERNIST. AND I'M NOT, THEREFORE, FUNCTIONING AT THE  
14 TOP OF MY SKILLS. AND THAT THE PHYSICIANS ARE A MORE EXPENSIVE  
15 RESOURCE. THEY'RE ALSO A SCARCER RESOURCE. WE WANT A TEAM SO  
16 THAT WHEN THE PHYSICIAN IS WORKING, THEY ARE WORKING ON  
17 PHYSICIAN WORK. WE HAVE TO HAVE, IF WE'RE GOING TO DEAL WITH  
18 OUR WAIT TIMES, WE NEED TO HAVE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF PRIMARY  
19 CARE PROVIDERS. OUR GOAL IS 144. WE ARE ON SCHEDULE TO HIT  
20 ALMOST THAT BY THE END OF 2013 BY WHICH WE HOPE TO HAVE 142.  
21 WE HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS PROGRESS. AND I APPRECIATE THE HELP OF  
22 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND HUMAN RESOURCES IN MAKING IT EASIER TO  
23 HIRE PEOPLE. ELECTRONIC HEALTH REGISTRY. THIS IS WHAT ENABLES  
24 YOU TO KNOW WHEN YOU'RE SEEING A PATIENT WHETHER OR NOT THEY  
25 ARE A DIABETIC AND HAVE GOTTEN AN EYE EXAM, WHETHER THEY'RE AN



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1 HIV-POSITIVE PERSON AND ARE ON MEDICATIONS, WHETHER OR NOT THE  
2 PAP SMEAR IS DUE. WE REMAIN ADDING CAPABILITIES SO THAT WE ARE  
3 ABLE TO HANDLE ALL THE DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES FROM  
4 MAMMOGRAPHY TO BEING ABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE  
5 APPROPRIATE SUMMARY FOR SOMEBODY WHO HAS HIV. OUR SCHEDULING.  
6 OUR OLD SCHEDULING WAS ANYTHING BUT PATIENT-CENTERED. NOT  
7 DISSIMILAR TO WHAT MR. SACHS WAS DESCRIBING. OUR OLD PATIENT  
8 SCHEDULING WAS WAIT. THAT WAS OUR OLD METHOD. OUR NEW METHOD  
9 IS TO BE ABLE TO ACTUALLY HAVE PEOPLE SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS AT  
10 TIMES THAT WORK FOR THEM. AND THIS FITS OUR GENERAL EFFICIENCY  
11 BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PEOPLE DON'T HAVE AN APPROPRIATE  
12 PRIMARY CARE APPOINTMENT, THEY GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM. DOES  
13 ANYBODY SAVE ANY MONEY? NO. IT COSTS MORE BECAUSE YOU'RE  
14 GIVING CARE TO THE RIGHT PERSON BUT IN THE WRONG PLACE BY THE  
15 WRONG PEOPLE. WHEN WE GET BETTER TO SCHEDULING PEOPLE TO WHERE  
16 THEY WANT TO GO, WE WILL FIND THAT WE'RE PROVIDING MORE CARE  
17 WITHOUT SPENDING MORE MONEY. TELEPHONE SYSTEMS. YOU'VE HEARD  
18 ME SPEAK ABOUT IT. ONE OF MY DISCOVERIES ON ARRIVAL HERE WAS  
19 THAT FOR MOST OF OUR HEALTH CENTERS, THERE WERE TWO PHONE  
20 LINES. IF ONE PERSON'S ON THE PHONE AND ONE PERSON'S ON HOLD,  
21 EVERYBODY ELSE IS GETTING A BUSY SIGNAL. THEY'RE GOING TO GET  
22 A BUSY SIGNAL ALL DAY LONG BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT TWO PHONE LINES.  
23 SO WE HAVE NOW GONE TO A NEW CLOUD BASED SYSTEM. IT IS UP LIVE  
24 WORKING. YOUR DEPUTIES ACTUALLY CHECKED IT BY CALLING DURING  
25 ONE OF OUR MEETINGS. WE FOUND SOME THINGS THAT NEED TO BE



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1 IMPROVED ABOUT HOW THE PHONE CALL GOES THROUGH THE TREE, BUT  
2 AT LEAST NOW PEOPLE DON'T GET JUST PUT ON HOLD. PHONES WILL BE  
3 ANSWERED. WE ARE -- BESIDES THE PHONE ITSELF MAKING SURE THAT  
4 THERE'S THE APPROPRIATE SCRIPTS AND THAT THERE'S  
5 ACCOUNTABILITY. OF COURSE THE OTHER THING ABOUT HAVING ONLY  
6 TWO PHONE LINES IS YOU DON'T REALLY KNOW WHETHER YOU'RE  
7 ACCOUNTABLE. YOU DON'T KNOW BECAUSE EVERYBODY ELSE JUST GETS  
8 THE BUSY SIGNAL. NOW WE ACTUALLY KNOW HOW LONG DID YOU STAY ON  
9 HOLD? WHEN PERSON ANSWERED, DID THEY GET WHAT THEY WANTED? SO  
10 I'M SORRY TO SAY THAT PHONES TURN OUT TO BE NOT SOMETHING YOU  
11 CAN DO IMMEDIATELY. SO IT ISN'T AS FAST AS WE WOULD IDEALLY  
12 LIKE IT, BUT WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS. AND THE PHASE 1 IS ALMOST  
13 COMPLETE, WHICH INCLUDES ALL OF OUR A.C.N. SITES, WHICH IS  
14 WHERE THE PHONE ISSUES WERE THE WORST AND WHERE THEY NEED TO  
15 IMPROVE THE MOST. THIS JUST GIVES THE SAME INFORMATION AS THE  
16 PRIOR SLIDE EXCEPT SPECIFICALLY LISTS THE DIFFERENT PLACES AND  
17 WHEN THEY GO LIVE. E-CONSULTS CONTINUE TO GROW. UP TO 20,000  
18 CONSULTS. AND ALL OF YOU HAVE HEARD COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE WAIT  
19 TIMES FOR SPECIAL CARE. LOOK AT WHAT THOSE WAIT TIMES ARE. 2.1  
20 DAYS. SO A REAL PATIENT ON AVERAGE REFERRED THROUGH E-CONSULT  
21 IS NOW GETTING THE RESPONSE OF A SPECIALIST WITHIN 2.1 DAYS.  
22 AND, SO FAR, WHAT'S IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY IS: ARE WE ABLE TO  
23 MAINTAIN THAT STANDARD AS WE GROW? AND AS YOU SEE IN THE TOP  
24 TWO SLIDES, SO FAR, ABSOLUTELY. SO WE'VE GROWN FROM 2,000 E-  
25 CONSULTS TO 9,000 E-CONSULTS, TO 20,000 E-CONSULTS. AND WE'RE



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1 STILL RETURNING AN OPINION IN 2.1 DAYS. REMEMBER THAT THE OLD  
2 SYSTEM IS 7 MONTHS TO AN APPOINTMENT. SO 20,000 IS NOT, BY THE  
3 WAY, THE WHOLE VOLUME BY ANY MEANS. IT MAY, I THINK -- WE  
4 DON'T REALLY KNOW, BUT IT MAY TURN OUT THAT THAT NUMBER IS  
5 100,000 IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF CONSULTS. BUT OUR  
6 DETERMINATION IS WE ARE GOING TO KEEP THAT RESPONSE TIME  
7 WITHIN TWO DAYS.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DR. KATZ, THIS IS PHENOMENAL AS  
10 WE LOOK AT THIS, BUT IT DOES CONCERN ME THAT YOU SAY WE DON'T  
11 KNOW WHETHER IT'S 20 OR 100. MY QUESTION IS: WHY DON'T WE  
12 KNOW? THIS IS DATABASE, WHY AREN'T WE CAPTURING IT REAL TIME  
13 AND GIVING REPORTS AS TO THE TRENDING AND HOW THE RESPONSE  
14 TIME MEASURES UP? IF THIS IS NOT WHAT WE KNOW, WHAT IS IT?

15

16 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SIR, THE REASON I CAN'T ANSWER THE EXACT  
17 AMOUNT IS BECAUSE, AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE RIGHT LOWER ONE, WE  
18 HAVE SO FAR ONLY BROUGHT 10 SPECIALTIES. SO WE'RE ALREADY  
19 GENERATING 20,000 REFERRALS A QUARTER BASED ON 10 SPECIALTIES.  
20 WE ALSO DON'T YET HAVE ALL OF THE COMMUNITY PROVIDERS ONLINE.  
21 WE DON'T YET HAVE THE EMERGENCY ROOMS ONLINE. WE DON'T YET  
22 HAVE THE URGENT CARES ONLINE. AND WE KNOW IN OUR SYSTEM THAT  
23 MANY PEOPLE JUST GIVE UP. UNDER THE OLD SYSTEM, PEOPLE  
24 WOULDN'T ACTUALLY REFER PATIENTS TO US BECAUSE THEY KNEW IT  
25 WAS HOPELESS. IF YOU'RE IN A COMMUNITY CLINIC AND YOUR HISTORY



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1 TELLS YOU THAT IF YOU PUT IN A REFERRAL FOR A PATIENT, YOU'LL  
2 NEVER BE CALLED BACK, YOU'LL SOON LEARN THAT'S NOT A GOOD USE  
3 OF YOUR TIME TO PUT IN A REFERRAL. SO I THINK WHAT WILL  
4 HAPPEN, AND I'LL BE SURE TO MAKE SURE IN THE NEXT  
5 PRESENTATION, THIS IS BETTER TRENDED, IS THAT AS WE BRING YOU  
6 -- AS THE NUMBER OF SPECIALTIES GO UP, AS THE NUMBER OF SITES  
7 GO UP, WE WILL GET BETTER AND BETTER AT BEING ABLE TO SAY:  
8 HERE'S WHAT THE NUMBER OF TOTAL SPECIALTY CONSULTS WE  
9 ANTICIPATE FOR A QUARTER.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SO AS WE INTERPRET THE DATA AT  
12 THIS POINT, THE VOLUME IS INCREASING RATHER SIGNIFICANTLY IN  
13 EACH INSTANCE. THE NUMBER OF E-CONSULTS, THE NUMBER OF  
14 SPECIALTIES COMING ONLINE, THE NUMBER OF PROVIDERS SUBMITTING;  
15 AND YET WE ARE MAINTAINING AN ACCEPTABLE; THAT IS, OPTIMAL  
16 RESPONSE TIME. THAT'S THE TAKE-AWAY FROM THIS, CORRECT?

17

18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT. AND THAT WE WANT YOU TO BE ABLE TO  
19 SEE AS PART OF OUR ACCOUNTABILITY THAT WE SHOULD MATCH AND  
20 SHOULD BE ABLE TO GROW THIS PROGRAM SUCH THAT AT SOME POINT  
21 THE SLIDE I'M SHOWING YOU SAYS THAT ALL OF THE COMMUNITY  
22 PROVIDERS IN OUR ASSOCIATED FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS  
23 AS WELL AS D.H.S. AND ALL OF ITS SITES INCLUDING EMERGENCY  
24 ROOM IS ABLE TO REFER. SO IT WOULD BE ALL OF OUR PROVIDERS.  
25 THAT IT INCLUDES ALL OF OUR SPECIALTIES. AND THEREBY THE



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1 VOLUME IS GOING TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER THAN 20,000. BUT  
2 THAT WE ARE OR ARE NOT STILL MAKING THAT RESPONSE TIME.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES. AND THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.  
5 BUT IT IS COMPLETELY NOTEWORTHY THAT WE MOVE FROM WHAT YOU  
6 CHARACTERIZE AS A SEVEN-MONTH DELAY IN TERMS OF THE REFERRAL  
7 AND BEING SEEN TO 2.1 DAYS.

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9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** LET ME JUST BE CLEAR THAT IN EVERY CASE --  
10 WELL, THAT IS TO THE RESPONSE TO THE PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE RESPONSE IS THEN ONE OF THREE THINGS.  
15 HERE'S WHAT YOU SHOULD DO, PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR. HERE IS -- SO  
16 PLEASE ADD X MEDICINE TO THIS PERSON'S REGIMENT. OR IT COULD  
17 BE PLEASE ORDER A HEAD C.T. BEFORE THE PERSON COMES TO  
18 NEUROLOGY BECAUSE THAT'S THE FIRST THING I WILL DO. IT COULD  
19 BE THAT THE RESPONSE IS: THIS PERSON NEEDS TO BE SEEN. AND  
20 THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IF IT'S URGENT WITHIN THE NEXT TWO  
21 WEEKS. OR THIS PERSON NEEDS TO BE SEEN BUT IT'S NOT URGENT.  
22 AND SO IT'S A LONGER LAPSE. SO I DON'T WANT TO GIVE PEOPLE WHO  
23 ARE WATCHING THIS ON TELEVISION THE IMPRESSION THAT THAT MEANS  
24 THE VISIT IS NECESSARILY IN TWO DAYS. BUT THAT ISN'T THE GOAL.  
25 BECAUSE THEN YOU WOULD NOT BE, IN FACT, USING COUNTY RESOURCES



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1 IN THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY POSSIBLE. AND YOU WOULD BE MAKING  
2 PEOPLE MAKE VISITS, WHICH AS YOU KNOW ACROSS OUR GEOGRAPHY,  
3 THAT CAN BE A WHOLE DAY'S EFFORT. SO IT IS TO THE RESPONSE TO  
4 THE PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR RECEIVING THE ANSWER OF EITHER WHAT TO  
5 DO OR WHEN THE PERSON WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR A VISIT.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** CLEAR ENOUGH.

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9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PROCEED.

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** OUR ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD, WE ARE MAKING  
14 PROGRESS. WE'VE HAD SUCCESS IN HIRING. THE ONE AREA WHICH IS  
15 IN YELLOW BECAUSE WE ARE HAVING CHALLENGES THAT LIKELY COME IN  
16 THE FORM OF A BOARD LETTER TO ALL OF YOU IS THAT IN SOME OF  
17 OUR FACILITIES, HARBOR IN PARTICULAR, WHEN WE HAVE OPENED UP  
18 THE WALLS TO REDO THE CABLING, WE HAVE DISCOVERED PROBLEMS  
19 THAT ARE NOT RELATED TO CABLING, SUCH AS THE STUDS BEHIND MANY  
20 OF THE WALLS IN HARBOR ARE PENCIL STUDS THAT NO LONGER FIT THE  
21 OSHPOD REQUIREMENTS OF HOSPITALS. SO WE'VE CALCULATED THE COST  
22 OF GOING IN TO DO THE CABLING, BUT WE DID NOT CALCULATE THE  
23 COST OF REPLACING PENCIL STUDS WITH THE NECESSARY CORRECT TYPE  
24 OF STUD IN THE HOSPITAL WALL. SO THAT IS A NEW COST. AND IT IS  
25 BOTH RELATED AND NOT RELATED TO THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD.



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1 OBVIOUSLY A CONSTRUCTION STUD IS NOT AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH  
2 RECORD ISSUE; ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOU NEVER OPENED THE WALL,  
3 YOU WOULDN'T KNOW THAT YOU HAD PENCIL STUDS. AND YOU WOULDN'T  
4 ACTUALLY HAVE BEEN OBLIGATED TO FIX THEM. SO WE'RE CURRENTLY  
5 WORKING CLOSELY WITH PUBLIC WORKS TO FIGURE OUT WELL, WHAT  
6 DOES THAT MEAN IN TERMS OF ACTUAL COSTS? I WILL SAY THAT WITH  
7 THE ARRANGEMENT WE MADE WITH THE STATE, ELECTRONIC HEALTH  
8 RECORDS, WHATEVER THE FULL COST WILL BE, ARE RECOGNIZED AS  
9 OUTSIDE OF THE DEAL THAT WE MADE WITH THE STATE. IN OTHER  
10 WORDS, THE CAPS THAT WE APPLIED DO NOT APPLY TO THE ELECTRONIC  
11 HEALTH RECORD. THEY UNDERSTOOD. SO IN THAT SENSE, THE WORK OF  
12 YOUR BOARD, ALL OF YOU, IN HELPING US TO ACHIEVE THAT DEAL  
13 HELPS TO MITIGATE ANY PROBLEMS WITH NEW COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH  
14 THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD BECAUSE IT IS SPECIFICALLY  
15 EXEMPTED FROM THE COST CAPS. WE'VE ACHIEVED A NURSE REGISTRY,  
16 A VERY SIMPLE, STRAIGHTFORWARD ISSUE WHICH WHEN I CAME HERE  
17 AND I SAID WELL WHY IS IT THAT IF YOU'RE A NURSE IN ONE  
18 HOSPITAL AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE NURSE NEED IN ANOTHER HOSPITAL  
19 AND IT'S LESS EXPENSIVE THAN THE REGISTRY, WHY IS IT YOU CAN'T  
20 DO THAT? AND THE ANSWER WAS: YOU CAN'T. BUT NOW THE ANSWER IS  
21 YOU CAN. AND THIS WILL HELP US TO FULFILL STAFFING NEEDS,  
22 ESPECIALLY BECAUSE SOMETIMES SOMEONE WORKS AND LIVES IN A  
23 DIFFERENT PLACE AND THEY'RE WILLING ON A WEEKEND, THEY'RE  
24 WILLING TO COME IN AND DO A BREAK TIME. AND ULTIMATELY IT  
25 SAVES US COSTS. IT HELPS US TO FILL IN PLACES WHERE WE HAVE A



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1 SPECIFIC NEED. IT IS OBVIOUSLY, LIKE ALL COUNTY ISSUES, THIS  
2 DOES NOT SOLVE ALL PROBLEMS. IT'S JUST ONE SMALL SOLUTION. BUT  
3 IT'S NICE TO BE ABLE TO SAY THAT SOMETHING THAT ALWAYS MADE  
4 SENSE, THAT WE WOULD HIRE OUR OWN NURSES AT ANOTHER FACILITY  
5 IF IT WOULD SAVE MONEY IS NOW SOMETHING I CAN ACTUALLY DO. AND  
6 THIS SHOWS JUST THAT WE ANTICIPATE DECREASING OUR TRAVEL  
7 NURSING REGISTRY BY 10 PERCENT BECAUSE WE CAN NOW USE THE  
8 INTERNAL REGISTRY. THERE IS LOTS MORE TO DO. EVERY DAY BRINGS  
9 A NEW OPPORTUNITY IN SOME AREA WHERE WE FIND THAT WE CAN  
10 ACTUALLY DO MORE JUST BY BEING MORE EFFICIENT. AND I HOPE YOU  
11 LIKE -- NOT THAT THIS IS A FINISHED WORK, BUT THE IDEA OF A  
12 DASHBOARD THAT YOUR BOARD CAN FOLLOW, THAT THE PUBLIC CAN  
13 FOLLOW. I BELIEVE IN ACCOUNTABILITY TOOLS. I WANT US ALL TO  
14 FEEL THAT WE'RE BOTH MAKING PROGRESS AND THAT WE ARE  
15 ACCOUNTABLE TO THIS BOARD TO DO A GREAT JOB ON HEALTH REFORM.  
16 THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXCELLENT  
19 PRESENTATION, DR. KATZ. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, QUESTIONS FOR  
20 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REGARDING OUR FUTURE UNDER THE  
21 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA? WELCOME, SUPERVISOR  
22 KNABE.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I APPRECIATE. THE FORMAT IS REALLY EXCELLENT.  
25 IT'S EASY TO FOLLOW AND EASY TO READ. I APPRECIATE IT.



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1 OVERALL, WE SEEM TO BE ON TRACK AND WE SEEM TO BE HEADING IN A  
2 GOOD WAY, HOPEFULLY SACRAMENTO HAS BEEN AS COOPERATIVE. I  
3 THINK YOU DID AS WELL AS YOU COULD. SHARE WITH ME THE  
4 ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDENT OBAMA WITH REGARD TO HIS RECENT  
5 ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT AUGUST SMALL BUSINESSES I GUESS IS WHAT  
6 THIS IS, DOES THIS HAVE AN IMPACT ON US AS WE'RE PROCEEDING  
7 FORWARD, OR WILL IT?

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** IT HAS A SMALL IMPACT BECAUSE IT MEANS THAT  
10 CERTAIN LOW INCOME WORKERS WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN ONCE COVERED BY  
11 THEIR BUSINESSES NOW WILL BE UNCOVERED AND BE PART OF THE  
12 COUNTY EXPENSE. SO IT HAS --

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** WITH NO DOLLARS COMING TO US FOR IT.

15

16 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WITH NO ADDITIONAL DOLLARS. THE POSITIVE IS  
17 THAT IT'S JUST PUT OFF A YEAR. THEY DIDN'T END IT. THEY DIDN'T  
18 ELIMINATE IT. IT WASN'T THE SUPREME COURT SAYING THEY COULDN'T  
19 DO IT. SO IT LEAVES US ONE YEAR AWAY FROM THAT NUMBER. IT'S  
20 STILL TRUE THAT 95 PERCENT OF OUR CLIENTS CURRENTLY AT OUR  
21 FACILITIES ARE BELOW 138 PERCENT OF POVERTY, WHICH MEANS THEY  
22 ARE UNLIKELY TO HAVE JOBS THAT WOULD HAVE FALLEN UNDER THAT  
23 CATEGORY. BUT THERE IS A SMALL GROUP THAT WOULD HAVE.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE? SUPERVISOR  
3 YAROSLAVSKY? QUESTIONS FOR DR. MITCHELL KATZ? ANY ADDITIONAL  
4 COMMENTS ON THE ITEM?

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, SIR. WE HAVE GREG POOL, WHO ALSO IS  
7 WORKING WITH DR. KATZ IN TRYING TO FACILITATE SOME OF THE  
8 COUNTY PROCESSES, HAS SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT. SO I THINK  
9 THAT WOULD BE SUFFICIENT.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WILL  
12 RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION REGARDING  
13 THE NEXT INSTALLMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR REPORT, DR.  
14 KATZ. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU MAY WANT TO  
15 TAKE UP YOUR ADJOURNMENTS AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
18 WE BEGIN WITH THE ROUND OF ADJOURNING MOTIONS AS WE'VE  
19 EXHAUSTED THE OTHER ISSUES THAT HAVE COME BEFORE US WITH THE  
20 EXCEPTION OF PUBLIC COMMENT WHICH WE WILL TURN TO IMMEDIATELY  
21 AFTER. AND WE ARE DONE WITH THE PUBLIC SESSION OF THE BOARD BY  
22 2:00, I TRUST THAT EVERYBODY WILL GOVERN THEMSELVES  
23 ACCORDINGLY, AS WE DO HAVE BUSINESS TO CONDUCT IN CLOSED  
24 SESSION. WE BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4. THE HONORABLE  
25 DON KNABE.



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1  
2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I  
3 WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME IN MEMORY OF LILLIAN  
4 KAWASAKI, WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT DIRECTOR, ALTERNATE ON  
5 LAFCO WHO PASSED AWAY IN JULY THIS PAST WEEK AFTER A LONG  
6 BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE SERVED ON THE BOARD FOR OVER SIX  
7 YEARS, MADE AN INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON THEIR POLICIES AND  
8 PROGRAMS AND WAS A REAL BRIDGE BUILDER OUT THERE. SHE HAD A  
9 DISTINGUISHED CAREER WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND HAD  
10 MEMBERSHIP ON MULTIPLE STATE AND FEDERAL WATER POLICY  
11 COMMITTEES. SHE WAS ALSO AN ADVOCATE FOR SUSTAINABLE  
12 LANDSCAPING AND CONSERVATION. AND WE JUST THOUGHT A NICE, NICE  
13 LADY AND ALWAYS CHEERFUL, HELPING OTHERS. SHE WILL BE GREATLY  
14 MISSED BY ALL. SHE'S IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND CRAIG. HER  
15 FATHER AND TWO SIBLINGS, NANCY AND GLENN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
16 IN MEMORY OF BRIAN WOLF, DOWNEY NATIVE AND BATTALION CHIEF IN  
17 THE DOWNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY AT THE AGE  
18 OF 44. HE WAS A FIREFIGHTER HIS ENTIRE ADULthood. TOOK PRIDE  
19 IN HIS FAMILY, VERY ACTIVE IN THE EXPLORER PROGRAM. BECOMING A  
20 FIREFIGHTER WAS A WAY OF GIVING BACK THE HIS COMMUNITY HE  
21 LOVED. HIS PASSING IS AN INCREDIBLE LOSS TO THE CITY OF DOWNEY  
22 AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO LOVED HIM HAVE BRIAN IS  
23 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN. FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN  
24 IN MEMORY OF GEORGE KELLY WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY PEACEFULLY  
25 AT HIS HOME. HE LIVED IN ARTESIA FOR MANY YEARS, WAS A TEACHER



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1 IN THE ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR OVER 50 YEARS. GREAT  
2 TEACHER, COACH, MENTOR TO THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS AS WELL AS THE  
3 ADULT SCHOOL. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS, PATRICIA AND  
4 CAROLYN, SON PAUL, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN AND EIGHT GREAT GREAT  
5 GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL MEMBERS IN MEMORY  
8 OF LILLIAN KAWASAKI. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF MISS AMALIA  
11 SEGOVIA LOPEZ. SHE WAS THE BELOVED MOTHER OF OUR PROBATION  
12 DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE AMALIA LOPEZ. SHE WAS A LONGTIME RESIDENT  
13 OF EAGLE ROCK, WAS DEVOTED TO HER HUSBAND, CHILDREN AND  
14 GRANDCHILDREN. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEART FELT CONDOLENCES TO  
15 THE ENTIRE FAMILY.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR  
18 YAROSLAVSKY, ADJOURNING MOTIONS, PLEASE.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS ON LILLIAN KAWASAKI. SHE WAS A  
21 WONDERFUL PERSON, AND I REMEMBER WHEN SHE WAS APPOINTED BY TOM  
22 BRADLEY TO RUN THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IN  
23 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, SHE DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB. AND THEN  
24 SHE GOT MOVED AROUND TO A LOT OF TOUGH JOBS IN THE CITY. AND  
25 AS DON SAID, SHE ALWAYS HAD A VERY GREAT DISPOSITION. IT WAS A



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1 VERY SAD LOSS AND VERY PREMATURE. ALSO I'D LIKE TO ASK THE  
2 BOARD TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HERBERT SHANK CHASE, JR.,  
3 LONG- TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA MONICA. FORMER EDITOR AND  
4 PUBLISHER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. BORN AND  
5 RAISED IN NEW JERSEY. ENLISTED IN THE MILITARY DURING WORLD  
6 WAR II. FOLLOWING SERVICE IN THE PACIFIC, HE MOVED TO  
7 CALIFORNIA WHERE HE EVENTUALLY SETTLED IN SANTA MONICA AND  
8 BOUGHT THE SANTA MONICA INDEPENDENT JOURNAL. LATER EXPANDED  
9 HIS PRINTING BUSINESS AND PUBLICATIONS TO INCLUDE THE GOOD  
10 LIFE, VARIOUS TRADE PUBLICATIONS, BEFORE STEPPING DOWN FROM  
11 HIS EDITORIAL POSTS LAST YEAR TO CONCENTRATE ON WRITING.  
12 ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, HE WAS KNOWN FOR SUPPORTING A VARIETY  
13 OF CHILDREN'S ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
14 SEVEN CHILDREN, ANNE CHASE STAPLETON, ASHLEY ANDREWS, HERB  
15 CHASE III, FRANCES WORKMAN, CAROL ELLIOTT AND STEP DAUGHTERS  
16 LAURIE BIRSCHENK AND PAIGE CHASE AND 15 GRANDCHILDREN.  
17 GUNTHER FREEHILL AN INFLUENTIAL AIDS ACTIVIST IN LOS ANGELES  
18 IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE EPIDEMIC WHO LATER BECAME PROGRAM  
19 ADMINISTRATOR IN THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF AIDS PROGRAMS AND  
20 POLICY IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE  
21 AGE OF 60. EARLY MEMBER OF ACT UP L.A., HE HELPED LEAD THE  
22 FIGHT FOR MORE EFFECTIVE AND AGGRESSIVE INTERVENTION TO COMBAT  
23 THE DISEASE. LATER AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR THE  
24 COUNT'S AIDS PROGRAM OFFICE, HE PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN EXPANDING  
25 ACCESS TO CARE FOR COUNTRY RESIDENTS LIVING WITH HIV AND AIDS.



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1 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS EIGHT, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, BOB, BETTY,  
2 DONNA, ANGELA, DAVID, KEN, MARK, AND MONICA. AND FINALLY AS WE  
3 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HANNA R. HAYMAN, A LONGTIME RESIDENT  
4 OF OUR DISTRICT WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE  
5 WAS A LONG TIME MEMBER OF THE COUNTY FAMILY WHO WORKED FOR  
6 MANY YEARS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. SHE IS  
7 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, ANN, SON FRANKLIN, THREE  
8 GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD. THAT'S IT.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. FIVE ADJOURNING  
11 MOTIONS, WE BEGIN AGAIN WITH LILLIAN KAWASAKI, A FRIEND, ONE  
12 WHO HELPED EDUCATE MANY MUCH US ON MATTERS OF THE ENVIRONMENT,  
13 A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL. I CHAIRED ONE OF THE  
14 COMMITTEES ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND WASTE MANAGEMENT, A  
15 COMMITTEE THAT LILLIAN IN HER CAPACITY AS DEPARTMENT HEAD FOR  
16 ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS STAFFED. I DID GET TO KNOW HER AND  
17 RESPECT HER. AND THAT CONTINUED FOR THE BALANCE OF HER DAYS.  
18 SHE WAS A CONTRIBUTOR TO THOSE THINGS THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE  
19 IN A POSITIVE WAY. WE SHALL NEVER EVER FORGET HER. CHARLES  
20 "GUY" BAKER, BORN FEBRUARY 1973 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND  
21 PASSED THIS PAST JULY 6TH AT THE AGE OF 40. GRADUATED FROM CAL  
22 STATE UNIVERSITY OF DOMINGUEZ HILLS WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS  
23 DEGREE IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND A MINOR IN ATHLETIC TRAINING.  
24 MR. BAKER WORKED AS AN ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AT THE BOYS AND  
25 GIRLS' CLUB IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND ALSO AS A YOUTH



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1 DIRECTOR AT ALL PEOPLES CHRISTIAN CENTER. HE WAS MOST RECENTLY  
2 EMPLOYED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
3 RECREATION AS A SUPERVISOR FOR THE DOME ENTERPRISE IN PARKS  
4 WHERE HE WORKED WITH THE YOUTH IN COMMUNITY TO THE HEART OF  
5 THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE HOLY  
6 CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH AND ALSO ESTABLISHED THE NO  
7 DRAMA BASKETBALL MINISTRY AT THE ROCK CHURCH IN LOS ANGELES.  
8 HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR VOLUNTEERING HIS TIME AND TALENTS TO  
9 WORKING WITH CHILDREN, TO ENGAGE THEM IN VARIOUS SPORTS  
10 ACTIVITIES, TO HELP THEM DEVELOP LIFE SKILLS TO BE SUCCESSFUL  
11 IN FUTURE ENDEAVORS. MR. BAKER'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ELDORA,  
12 SON JAYLEN MOTHER MARY, FATHER CHARLES SR. AND A HOST OF  
13 EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.  
14 CHARLES "GUY" BAKER. COLLEAGUES, GARY MICHAEL HOUSTON, BORN  
15 OCTOBER THE 28TH, 1959 IN TEXAS AND PASSED ON JULY THE 14TH OF  
16 THIS YEAR. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S OF ARTS DEGREE IN CHILD  
17 DEVELOPMENT AT CAL STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES. MR. HOUSTON  
18 WAS AN EDUCATOR IN LOS ANGELES AT THE SAINT CECELIA CATHOLIC  
19 SCHOOL, MANUAL ARTS HIGH SCHOOL AND HOLY CROSS SCHOOL. HE WILL  
20 BE REMEMBERED AS A COACH WHO BROUGHT MOTIVATION AND  
21 INSPIRATION TO THE MANY FEMALE BASKETBALL PROFESSIONALS. MR.  
22 HOUSTON IS SURVIVED BY A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL  
23 MISS HIM. WINCE VANDERBILT KING, JR. BORN MAY 18, 1919 IN  
24 TEXAS AND PASSED AWAY ON JULY 18TH AT THE AGE OF 93. HE  
25 RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1923 AND WAS A FORMER LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY FIREFIGHTER AND A SKY CAP AT THE LOS ANGELES  
2 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. HE RESIDED IN IN COUNTY FOR SOME 90  
3 YEARS. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE OF BASKETBALL AND  
4 HIS COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FAMILY AND  
5 FRIENDS WHO WILL INDEED MISS HIM. AND, FINALLY, MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD, JOHN M. MAY, BORN OCTOBER 3, 1917 IN MARSHAL, TEXAS,  
7 PASSED ON JULY THE 14TH AT THE AGE OF 95. HE GRADUATED WITH A  
8 BACHELOR OF ARTS AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY FROM FISK  
9 UNIVERSITY IN TENNESSEE. MR. MAY JOINED THE UNITED STATES ARMY  
10 IN 1943 AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED AFTER TWO YEARS. HE  
11 RECEIVED A BRONZE STAR AND WAS PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF CHIEF  
12 WARRANT OFFICER. AND IN 1945 HE AND HIS WIFE RELOCATED TO LOS  
13 ANGELES WHERE HE BECAME THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN ASSISTANT  
14 DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND  
15 RETIRED AFTER SOME 27 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. HE WAS ALSO  
16 AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT L.A. COMMUNITY COLLEGE. HE WAS A  
17 FAITHFUL MEMBER OF THE GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND WILL  
18 BE REMEMBERED FOR BEING A MENTOR, A DEDICATED PROFESSIONAL AND  
19 HIS DEEP LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE WAS A LOYAL DODGERS FAN AND  
20 COMPOSED MUSIC AND PLAYED PIANO. HE LOVED TO COOK. HE GREW  
21 VEGETABLES. AND HE TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY WITH HIS FAMILY. HE IS  
22 SURVIVED BY HIS FIVE CHILDREN, THEIR RESPECTIVE SPOUSES, EIGHT  
23 GRANDCHILDREN, SEVEN GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, A BROTHER AND A HOST  
24 OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. JOHN M. MAY.  
25 THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF



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1 THE PUBLIC, WE DO HAVE SEVERAL PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD.  
2 WE WILL CALL YOU AND WE ASK THAT YOU COME FORWARD. OUR  
3 OBJECTIVE IS TO CONCLUDE THIS SESSION BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED  
4 SESSION BY 2:00. PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY. LORI  
5 MARTIN, COLIESHA COPELAND, ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS, MICHELLE  
6 PERKINS, ANGELA LUSSIER, DENISE PAZ, RHONDA REED, IN THAT  
7 ORDER, PLEASE. MR. PREVEN?

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9 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. YOU'RE SAYING COMMENCE?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, PROCEED.

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13 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SIR. ONE MINUTE, ARE YOU SERIOUS? VERY  
14 INTERESTING, SIR. IT'S MR. PREVEN. APPRECIATE THAT. YOU KNOW,  
15 IN ADDITION TO THE REPORTS WE HEARD TODAY FROM SENATOR DROOYAN  
16 AND THE VARIOUS SHERIFFS' PERSONNEL, THERE WAS A REPORT  
17 PUBLISHED LAST WEEK FROM THE GRAND JURY, THE CIVIL GRAND JURY,  
18 THAT OVERSEES THE CUSTODY AREAS AND SUCH. AND ONE DETAIL THAT  
19 CAME UP IN THAT REPORT WAS THE SHERIFF CLAIMS THAT THE  
20 FEASIBILITY OF UTILIZING NONDEPARTMENT MEMBERS TO DEAL WITH  
21 MENTALLY ILL POPULATION IS NOT UNDER CONSIDERATION. I THOUGHT  
22 THAT'S AWKWARD BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S WHO SHOULD BE DEALING  
23 WITH MENTALLY -- I MEAN IF THEY'RE DEPARTMENTAL PSYCHOLOGISTS,  
24 I SUPPOSE, BUT THAT SEEMED TO ME THAT WAS OFF BASE THAT  
25 PARTICULAR DETAIL. I ALSO FEEL THAT THE NUMBER OF REPORTS THAT



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1 MR. SACHS ACTUALLY ALLUDED TO EARLIER THAT WE'VE HAD, ALL  
2 BUILDING TOWARDS THIS OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, IS VERY  
3 PUZZLING. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THAT.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
6 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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8 **COLIESHA COPELAND:** HI, I'M COLIESHA COPELAND. I'M HERE TO ASK  
9 YOU GUYS TO PLEASE HELP ME SAVE MY FAMILY. I'M A FORMER FOSTER  
10 YOUTH, COLLEGE EDUCATED AND NO CRIMINAL RECORD. IT IS  
11 UNFORTUNATE THAT MY FAMILY IS IN THIS SITUATION. AND I HAVE  
12 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ALL REQUESTED GOALS OF THE COURT WITH  
13 NO ASSISTANCE OF D.C.F.S. I WAS NEVER GIVEN REUNIFICATION, A  
14 CHANCE TO REUNIFY WITH MY CHILD. MY CASE HAS BEEN DRAWN OUT BY  
15 30 MONTHS BY THE COURT. I HAVE BEEN TO EVERY SINGLE COURT CASE  
16 NEVER MISSING ONE. I'M DEALING WITH MY SOCIAL WORKER HAVING A  
17 POWER TRIP. AND I AM ASKING YOU GUYS TO PLEASE SEE THAT -- MY  
18 DAUGHTER IS BEING SEEN AS MONEY TO THESE PEOPLE. SHE IS MY  
19 HEART. SHE IS ALL THAT I HAVE. AND I'M ASKING YOU GUYS TO  
20 REALLY HELP ME TO WIN THIS CASE BECAUSE I'VE DONE EVERYTHING I  
21 CAN TO WIN MY DAUGHTER BACK AND THIS IS NOT FAIR. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** PLEASE HELP HER. AND PLEASE HELP ME. I GOT A CARD  
2 FROM MR. ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE. I SENT AN EMAIL TO MICHELLE VEGA  
3 PER HIS INSTRUCTIONS. I SENT THE INFORMATION PER YOUR AND MR.  
4 ANTONOVICH'S INSTRUCTIONS FROM LAST WEEK. ALDO MARIN  
5 APPROACHED ME AND ASKED ME TO SEND HIM THE INFORMATION. I  
6 COPIED HIM ON AN EMAIL. I GOT AN EMAIL FROM HIM SAYING THAT  
7 THE SAME OFFICE THAT I'M COMPLAINING ABOUT, ONCE AGAIN WHEN WE  
8 WENT THROUGH THIS IN 2010, AGAIN EVERY TIME I COMPLAINED TO  
9 ALDA MARIN, I GOT THE SAME THING, "CHATSWORTH IS GOING TO TAKE  
10 CARE OF IT." WELL CHATSWORTH IS THE PROBLEM. I AM ASKING FOR  
11 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION TO HELP ME. ALSO, ON THE WHISTLE  
12 BLOWER ORDINANCE, AFTER THE STATE AUDITOR DECIDED TO AUDIT  
13 SOME COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA, I PUT UP A FACEBOOK PAGE THAT  
14 SAID "AUDIT L.A. COUNTY". AND MY CASE WAS GIVEN TO THE STATE  
15 AUDITOR. RIGHT AFTER THAT, I WAS CALLED WITH A REFERRAL FOR  
16 GENERAL NEGLIGENCE. I AM SAYING THIS UNDER THE WHISTLE BLOWER  
17 ORDINANCE BECAUSE I WAS ACCUSED OF SELLING MY GRANDDAUGHTER'S  
18 MEDICATION. I WAS TOLD THIS WAS GENERAL NEGLIGENCE AND I'M  
19 TELLING YOU THIS IS A CRIME. AND I AM HERE TO ANSWER TO ANY  
20 CRIME. BELIEVE ME, I WOULD NEVER DO SUCH A THING.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS RETALIATION FOR PUTTING UP A PAGE. THIS IS  
25 THE KIND OF THING THAT'S GOING ON.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MICHELLE PERKINS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
5 MICHELLE PERKINS. OWNER OF TURNING POINT ALCOHOL AND DRUG  
6 EDUCATION PROGRAM, A SUBSTANCE ABUSE FACILITY LOCATED ON SANTA  
7 ROSALIA DRIVE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. MY BUSINESS WAS APPROVED  
8 AND CERTIFIED BY THE STATE ON AUGUST 26TH, 2012 TO PROVIDE  
9 SERVICES. AND I HAVE BEEN PROVIDING SERVICES SINCE THEN. I  
10 APPLIED FOR A CONTRACT FROM (INAUDIBLE) TO PROVIDE COUNSELING  
11 SERVICES UNDER MEDI-CAL A.O.D. PROGRAMS. AFTER SUBMITTING MY  
12 APPLICATION, I WAS TOLD THAT MY FINANCIALS WERE NOT UP TO PAR.  
13 I HIRED A NEW ACCOUNTANT. HAD HIM REVIEW AND CORRECT THE  
14 FINANCIALS AND THE APPLICATION, SUBMITTED TO (INAUDIBLE) AND  
15 WAS AGAIN REJECTED. WHEN I INQUIRED AS TO WHAT WAS WRONG WITH  
16 MY FINANCIALS, I CANNOT GET AN ANSWER FROM ANYONE. FINALLY, I  
17 RECEIVED A REJECTION LETTER INFORMING ME THAT I COULD RE-APPLY  
18 IN ONE YEAR. I WANT TO KNOW WHY I MUST WAIT AN ENTIRE YEAR FOR  
19 RE-APPLYING. SIX MONTHS WOULD HAVE BEEN HARSH BUT FAIR.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
22 IF YOU WILL STEP RIGHT OVER, I'LL HAVE SOMEONE COME AND TALK  
23 WITH YOU AND LEND YOU AN ASSIST. MA'AM?

24



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1 **DENISE PAZ:** HI, I'M MS. PAZ. SOCIAL WORKERS ARE AN ASSET OF  
2 FAMILY POLICE. THEY NEED DOCUMENTS TO DOCUMENT BOTH CHILD  
3 ABUSE AND TO STAY HONEST WITH ALLEGATIONS THAT ARE OFTEN  
4 QUESTIONABLE BUT NEVER BACKED UP BY PHOTOS OR VIDEOS. OUR  
5 CHILDREN WHO ARE DETAINED HAVE THE SAME OR MORE RIGHTS TO  
6 TRANSPARENCY THAN ANYONE. FOSTER CHILDREN CAN RELATE TO  
7 INMATES. FOR EXAMPLE, FOSTER CHILDREN BECOME HOMELESS WHEN  
8 EXITING THE SYSTEM JUST LIKE AN INMATE RELEASED FROM PRISON.  
9 FOSTER CHILDREN GO TO COURT JUST LIKE THE INMATES. FOSTER  
10 CHILDREN GET A PUBLIC DEFENDER JUST LIKE AN INMATE DOES.  
11 FOSTER CHILDREN ARE GETTING KILLED, RAPED IN FOSTER CARE, JUST  
12 LIKE IN PRISON. FOSTER CHILDREN ARE WAITING IN HOLDING TANKS  
13 SEPARATED FROM THE PUBLIC, JUST LIKE AN INMATE. FOSTER  
14 CHILDREN HAVE TO PUT UP WITH PAROLE RATES JUST LIKE A PAROLEE.  
15 WHEN D.C.F.S. APPROVES THE HOME FOR ADOPTION THE HOUSE IS IS  
16 HIGH CONTROLLED PAROLEES. SO THEREFORE D.C.F.S. CONTRIBUTES  
17 FOR THESE FOSTER CHILDREN TO ENTER THE CRIMINAL LIFESTYLES  
18 SUCH AS MY CHILDREN WHO WERE PUT IN A HOME WITH HIGH CONTROL  
19 PAROLEES. AND THIS IS SENT TO THE STATE AUDITOR.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **DENISE PAZ:** YOU GUYS DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL PROCEED TO THE  
2 NEXT SPEAKERS, PLEASE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU NEED TO  
3 OBSERVE THE RULES OF THE BOARD. ROSIE BALDERAS, MICHAEL LEMOS,  
4 OSCAR JOHNSON, BARBARA SANDERS, AIMEE GILBREATH, MELLO DESIRE,  
5 THOSE PERSONS WOULD COME FORWARD, WE'D BE APPRECIATIVE. MA'AM,  
6 YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

7

8 **RHONDA REID:** HELLO, MY NAME IS RHONDA REID. AND ON 7/19/2013 I  
9 WENT TO THE COMPTON'S SHERIFF DEPARTMENT TO FILE A CRIMINAL  
10 COMPLAINT AGAINST ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DANIEL A. DORBURN  
11 DUE TO HIS CONTINUAL VIOLATION OF INSURANCE CODE 8271.4, ONE  
12 OF MANY VIOLATIONS OF LAW. 8271 STATES "IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DO  
13 ANY FOLLOWING, MAKE OR CAUSE A KNOWINGLY FALSE OR FRAUDULENT  
14 MATERIAL STATEMENT OR MATERIAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE PURPOSE  
15 OF OBTAINING OR DENYING COMPENSATION AS DEFINED BY SECTION  
16 3207 OF THE LABOR CODE." I'M GOING TO SKIP DOWN TO 4. MAKE  
17 CALLS TO BE MADE ANY FALLS OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENT WITH REGARD  
18 TO BENEFITS WITH INTENT TO DISCOURAGE AN INJURED WORKER FROM  
19 SEEKING A CLAIM. JUDGE DORBURN HAS CONTINUED TO DO THIS OVER  
20 AND OVER. I HAVE ATTACHED A COP OF MY --

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
23 TESTIMONY. ONE OF MY STAFF PEOPLE WILL COME AND SEE YOU  
24 MOMENTARILY. JUST STEP TO THE IMMEDIATE RIGHT. MS. JOHNSON OR



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1 HARRIS WILL HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH YOU. WE THANK YOU FOR  
2 YOUR TESTIMONY. MR. SACHS, PLEASE PROCEED.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS.  
5 THE TERM OF THE CHAIR IS ONE YEAR. SO YOU HAVE APPROXIMATELY  
6 18 MORE MEETINGS AS CHAIR. WHAT'S THE OVER/UNDER FOR PUBLIC  
7 COMMENT BEING THREE MINUTES, SIR? DURING LAST WEEK'S  
8 DISCUSSION, YOU EXPLAINED ON THE REPLACEMENT OF THE JAIL  
9 FACILITIES, YOU MENTIONED THAT THIS WAS -- THAT WAS ONE FACET  
10 OF A 25 BILLION DOLLAR BUDGET. THE BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY, IN A  
11 TIME FRAME LIKE THE LAST FOUR YEARS, PRETTY MUCH HAS INCREASED  
12 BY THREE BILLION DOLLARS. PUBLIC INPUT IS BARELY HAS A PULSE.  
13 DON'T CONFUSE ACTIVITY FOR ACHIEVEMENT. THIS IS QUITE THE  
14 ACHIEVEMENT THAT YOU'VE SUCCEEDED IN DOING IN SHUTTING OUT THE  
15 PUBLIC ON THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC COMMENT. IT'S SOMETHING TO BE  
16 VERY PROUD OF. A FEATHER IN YOUR CAP. OH, AND BY THE WAY,  
17 THURSDAY, METRO BOARD MEETING WILL DISCUSS THE ONE BILLION  
18 DOLLAR OVERAGE ON THE PURPLE LINE EXTENSION.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, SIR.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DEED. WE WILL CALCULATE THE  
25 CUMULATIVE IMPACT THAT YOU'VE HAD IN TERMS OF YOUR TESTIMONY



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1 TODAY AND I CAN ASSURE YOU YOUR CLOCK TIME WELL EXCEEDS THAT  
2 OF SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD TODAY. TROESCH PETER? DANIEL  
3 JONES, JOHN WALSH, THERESIJA SIGMUND, DAVID SERRANO, PATRICK  
4 O'ROURKE, IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

5

6 **AIMEE GILBRETH:** HELLO. AIMEE GILBRETH BACK ON ITEM 16 JUST FOR  
7 THE RECORD TO LET YOU KNOW THAT SEVERAL, TO RESPOND TO SEVERAL  
8 OF THE COMMENTS FROM STAFF WHICH THE BOARD APPEARS TO HAVE  
9 TAKEN AT FACE VALUE AND WHICH WERE INACCURATE AND INCOMPLETE.  
10 I DON'T HAVE TIME TO ADDRESS THEM ALL NOW, SO I'LL JUST CHOOSE  
11 OUR MUCH-MALIGNED SCANNERS AND LET YOU KNOW THAT WE DID IN  
12 FACT PROPOSE SCANNERS THAT MET ALL OF THE COUNTY'S  
13 REQUIREMENTS. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE SCORING SECTION OF  
14 EQUIPMENT FIELD TESTING, WE SCORED 266 POINTS OUT OF 300. AND  
15 THE WINNING BIDDER SCORED 268. SO ON THAT SECTION, WE WERE  
16 SEPARATED BY 2 POINTS OUT OF 300, WHICH IF THAT'S NOT  
17 FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENCE, I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS. ADDITIONALLY,  
18 EVEN IF YOU HAD HAD TO PAY TO REPLACE EVERY SINGLE SCANNER  
19 EVERY YEAR, THAT WOULD HAVE AMOUNTED TO \$26,000. SO YOU'D  
20 RATHER PAY \$300,000 FOR CHIPS EACH YEAR WHILE TO AVOID PAYING  
21 26,000 DOLLARS FOR SCANNERS. WHILE THERE IS NO NET COST TO THE  
22 COUNTY WOULD HOPE YOU CARE ABOUT YOUR TAXPAYERS AND ABOUT NOT  
23 TAKING MONEY OUT OF THEIR POCKETS FOR A VENDOR THAT WE WOULD  
24 HAVE DONATED.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

2 SIR.

3

4 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES, MY NAME IS OSCAR, I SPEAK FOR THE  
5 OPPRESSED AND SPEAK FOR THE POOR AND SPEAK FOR CULTURE CHANGE.

6 I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT RELIGION AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

7 ONE WRITER SAID THAT HEAVEN AND HELL WAS HERE ON EARTH. ONE

8 WRITER SAID THAT HEAVEN MEANS HELL AND HELL MEANS HELL NOT.

9 BUT ANYWAY, I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT GUNS IN AMERICA. WE HAVE

10 30,000 AMERICAN CITIZENS GETTING KILLED FROM GUN VIOLENCE A

11 YEAR. AMERICA HAS MORE GUNS IN THE NATION THAN ANY NATION ON

12 EARTH. AMERICA HAS MORE PEOPLE IN PRISON THAN ANY PRISONERS.

13 AMERICA HAS MORE PEOPLE ON DEATH ROW TODAY, 2,700 PEOPLE ON

14 DEATH ROW IN AMERICA. TEXAS HAVE EXECUTED 500 PEOPLE SINCE

15 1973 OR 1974, 80 PERCENT OF THEM HAVE BEEN WHITE AMERICANS.

16 WHITE AMERICANS WERE VICTIMS SEEM TO GET JUSTICE FOR THEIR

17 FAMILIES BUT BLACK AMERICA DON'T GET JUSTICE. BLACK AMERICA

18 ONLY GET THREE OR FOUR YEARS OF KILLING EACH OTHER. WE SHOULD

19 END UNFIT AUTHORITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,

22 SIR.

23

24 **DANIEL JONES:** MY NAME IS DANIEL JONES. FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE

25 TO GIVE PROPS OUT TO THE PATRIOT HALL DOWN AT 1801 SOUTH



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1 FIGUROA. IT LOOKS BEAUTIFUL. MARTIN LUTHER KING SAYS THERE  
2 THERE COMES A TIME WHEN SILENCE IS BETRAYAL. SUPREME COURT  
3 TOOK THE RIGHTS TO REMAIN SILENT AND PLEAD THE FIFTH AWAY FROM  
4 YOU. WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME YELLOW SUBMARINE. A PATRIOT MUST  
5 BE READY TO DEFEND HIS COUNTRY AGAINST HIS GOVERNMENT. WHO  
6 THINKS MAYOR-ELECT GARCETTI IS ACTUALLY MAYOR? SET IN STONE  
7 THAT MAN PARTICIPATED IN RAISING HIS RIGHT HAND AND COMMITTED  
8 AN OVERT ACT OF CONSTITUTION AND PARTICIPATED IN AN OVERT ACT  
9 CALLED OCCUPIED. IT IS DISQUALIFIED, DISBARRED AND THAT MAN  
10 WENT UP ON JULY 1ST AND DID AN OVERT ACT AGAIN IN FRONT OF  
11 EVERYBODY. ARE WE HERE TO PROTECT THE NATION? THAT MAN IS  
12 MAYOR-ELECT. PERIOD. IS THERE GOING TO BE ANYTHING DONE ABOUT  
13 IT? IF NOT, I WILL COME BACK AND READ TITLE 10 OF THE U.S.  
14 CODE SECTION 333.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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18 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE, AND I DIRECT  
19 EVERYBODY WITH A GRIEVANCE AGAINST LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ITS  
20 EMPLOYEES, ITS DIRECTORS OR ITS BOARD MEMBERS TO GO TO THE  
21 F.B.I. WEBSITE DOT GOV FORWARD SLASH ABOUT US FORWARD SLASH  
22 INVESTIGATE, FORWARD SLASH CIVIL RIGHTS WITH AN S, FORWARD  
23 SLASH COVER OF LAW TO FILE A GRIEVANCE AGAINST L.A. COUNTY,  
24 ITS EMPLOYEES OR ITS CONSTITUENTS REGARDING FAILURE TO COMPLY  
25 WITH THE FIRST AMENDMENT OR ANY OTHER BILL OF RIGHTS ISSUES.



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1 ALSO DIRECT THE COUNTY THAT I DID NOT WAIVE MY THREE MINUTES.  
2 I HAVE THREE MINUTES. JUST BECAUSE A BUNCH OF SUITS BACK THERE  
3 HAVE A MEETING WITH YOU DOES NOT MEAN I WAIVE MY THREE  
4 MINUTES. I INSIST UPON MY THREE MINUTES. YOUR FAILURE TO  
5 COMPLY WITH THAT INSISTENCE IS ALSO A CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATION  
6 SINCE YOU'RE PUTTING THE NEEDS OF SUITED EMPLOYEES BEING PAID  
7 TO MEET WITH YOU OVER THE NEEDS OF THE CONSTITUENTS THAT HAVE  
8 WAITED HERE FOR HOURS TO TALK WITH YOU AND POST A GRIEVANCES  
9 WHICH ARE BEING UNHEARD BY THIS COUNTY BOARD.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
12 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **TERESIJA SIGMUNG:** I'M HERE AGAIN. AND I WOULD LIKE TO NOTICE  
15 HOW MANY MOTHERS ARE HERE ASKING YOU FOR HELP BECAUSE THEY'RE  
16 NOT GETTING IT FROM THE COURTS, THEY'RE NOT GETTING IT FROM  
17 D.C.F.S. AND YOU'RE DOING NOTHING. YOU SENT US TO THIS PERSON  
18 THAT IS DOING EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT HIM TO DOING: NOTHING. HE  
19 WILL ONLY DO WHAT HE'S ASKED TO DO. IF YOU WANT HIM TO REQUIRE  
20 TO DOING SOME, HE WILL DO SOMETHING. BUT HE'S ACTUALLY DOING  
21 WHAT YOU TOLD HIM TO DO, NOTHING. INSTEAD, MY KIDS HAVE BEEN  
22 TAKEN OUT OF STATE TO VEGAS WITHOUT ANY KIND OF COURT ORDER,  
23 WHICH IS ACTUALLY THAT WAS FOR PARENTS TO DO, THE PARENT WOULD  
24 BE IN JAIL. BUT SINCE IT'S FOSTER CUSTODIANS AND IT'S  
25 D.C.F.S., THE JUDGE DIDN'T EVEN SANCTION THEM. ALSO, MY CHILD



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1 COME BACK WITH SOME BUSTED NOSE, HIS FACE COMPLETELY DRIED OUT  
2 AND THE SOCIAL WORKER DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. HE HAD  
3 A PROBLEM WITH ME TAKING A PICTURE OF IT. THE TRANSPARENCY OF  
4 LACKING OF D.C.F.S. IS SO UPSETTING AND VILE AND YOU NEED TO  
5 DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND SEND ME TO A PERSON WHO CAN DO  
6 SOMETHING, NOT TO MR. NOBODY. DO YOU HAVE A SOLUTION? NO.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
9 TESTIMONY.

10

11 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOCKING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. I'M  
12 COVERING PART OF THIS PICTURE BECAUSE IT IS A PICTURE ON OUR  
13 WEBSITE, I'LL PUT IT DOWN NOW, I DON'T WANT TO SHOCK ANYONE,  
14 OF THE CORPSE OF TRAYVON MARTIN. NOW, THEY DIDN'T RELEASE THIS  
15 PICTURE BEFORE THE TRIAL BECAUSE IF YOU'D SEEN THAT, MAYBE A  
16 PROSPECTIVE JUROR MIGHT HAVE VOTED GUILTY. THEY ONLY -- COME  
17 TO OUR WEBSITE. IT'S VERY HARD TO FIND THIS PICTURE.

18 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG, JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL AND SEE WHAT  
19 HAPPENS. NOW, AS FAR AS THE SPLINTER GROUP THAT BROKE OUT AT  
20 LIEMERT PARK, THEY WERE NOT A BASH MOB, AND NOT EVEN THE PRESS  
21 CLAIMS THAT THEY LOOTED WAL-MART. THEY WERE NOT LOOTERS.

22 CONNIE RICE SAID ON KCRW, THEY WERE LOOTERS. SHE IS A TOOL OF  
23 THE RACISTS. THERE WAS NO LOOTING BY ANY BLACK PERSON ON THAT  
24 NIGHT. AND YOU DAMN WELL KNOW IT, TOO, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND



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1 I WANT TO HEAR IT FROM YOUR LIPS. NO LOOTING. THEY'RE A PROUD  
2 PEOPLE, HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS IS  
5 WHAT YOU'LL HEAR FROM MY LIPS. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT  
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE. TIMO WENROSTO? MAURICE RHOADS, IRENE PANG,  
7 LEONORA ZULJ. AND THAT WILL CONCLUDE OUR PUBLIC COMMENT  
8 PORTION FOR TODAY'S AGENDA. YOU MAY PROCEED, SIR.

9

10 **DAVID SERRANO:** JEHOVAH GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE  
11 HOLY SPIRIT. JEHOVAH OUR GOD, JEHOVAH IS ONE. JEHOVAH CREATED  
12 HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN. INFINITE JEHOVAH JESUS WAS  
13 CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD AND CHRIST  
14 WAS BORN OF THE SANCTIFIED VIRGIN MARY. ALL PEOPLE ARE SINNERS  
15 AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD AND THE PENALTY FOR SIN IS  
16 DEATH IN HADES WHICH IS EXCLUSION FROM HEAVEN. BUT THE GIFT OF  
17 GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE IN CHRIST OUR LORD. INNOCENT JESUS DIED IN  
18 OUR PLACE FOR OUR SINS TAKING UPON HIMSELF THE PENALTY OF  
19 DEATH IN HADES WHICH ALL PEOPLE DESERVE AS OUR SUBSTITUTE BY  
20 THE GRACE OF GOD EFFECTIVE THROUGH FAITH IN THE LORD JESUS.  
21 INNOCENT JESUS DIED AS THE CONSUMMATE SACRIFICE OF ATONEMENT  
22 FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD. HE WAS BURIED AND ON THE THIRD DAY  
23 JESUS RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE TOMB, A MEN. THEN JESUS  
24 ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN. JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO GOD IN HEAVEN.



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1 CHRISTIANS, ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, AMEN. HAVE A  
2 NICE DAY.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **IRENE PANG:** HOW ARE YOU DOING, EVERYONE? I'M IRENE PANG.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** HI, IRENE PANG.

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10 **IRENE PANG:** BY THE LAW, PARKING CAR ON THEIR OWN PROPERTY IS  
11 THE WISE THING TO DO. SAY AGAIN NOW IS TIME I SHOULD HAVE MY  
12 CAR IN MY DRIVERS LICENSE BACK. THE FACT THEY IMPOUND MY CAR  
13 DURING DUTY ON THE PROTECT POWER INFORMATION. SAME HAPPENED TO  
14 MY NEPHEW. B, THEY TAKE CARE NOT APPLIED TO MY SITUATION. I  
15 HAD A FEELING ABOUT A AND B INFORMATION PROTECTION. THREE,  
16 PLEASE GIVE CREDIT TO MY FAMILY MEMBER AND ME. GET THEIR  
17 BELONGINGS PROPERTY BACK AND CONFIRM MY NEW FEEL AND LEASES  
18 AND STOP THE REVELATION CONTINUOUSLY ON THEM. NUMBER FOUR, MY  
19 MEDICAL BILLS.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MISS PANG?

22

23 **IRENE PANG:** THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD PAY NOT BY SELF.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MISS PANG, YOUR TIME HAS  
2 EXPIRED, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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4 **IRENE PANG:** WHY SO FAST?

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. OUR  
7 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **BARBARA SANDERS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M BARBARA SANDERS. AND I  
10 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE 26 PEOPLE THAT I COUNTED  
11 HERE WHILE I'M SITTING HERE AND I COME IN HERE PRETTY OFTEN,  
12 TO TALK ABOUT OUR SITUATION WITH D.C.F.S. AND THE MANY, MANY  
13 PEOPLE WHO I MET OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF WHO HAVE FAR  
14 MORE DIFFICULT SITUATIONS THAN EVEN WHAT I ENCOUNTERED IN MY  
15 OWN FAMILY AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THERE IS NO ACTIVITY  
16 HERE. I SEE EVERYBODY LISTENING OR PERHAPS NOT, I'M NOT SURE  
17 WHAT'S GOING ON BACK HERE TO HELP THE PEOPLE WHO COME UP AND  
18 BEG FOR HELP. THESE PEOPLE ARE FAMILY PEOPLE WHO ARE  
19 DESPERATELY WANTING TO BE REUNITED WITH THEIR CHILDREN, AND  
20 WHERE IS THE HELP? NOW, I'M AT SUCH A LOSS TO UNDERSTAND THE  
21 PROGRAM HERE AND THE LACK OF ANY MOVEMENT. I DON'T UNDERSTAND  
22 IT.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** I COME HERE FROM SWITZERLAND TO SEE MY COUSINS. WE  
2 ARE ONLY HERE FOR THREE WEEKS. WE SAW THEM JUST A DAY AND SO  
3 SAD THAT WE HAVE TO LIVE -- THEY WERE SO SAD THAT WE COULD NOT  
4 PLAY TOGETHER OUTSIDE. THEY ARE LIKE IN A PRISON.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
7 PRESENTATION, YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER NOW.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST SAY THAT OUR  
10 VISITOR FROM SWITZERLAND HAS A CHANCE TO SEE SOMETHING OTHER  
11 THAN A BOARD MEETING FOR A WHOLE DAY. IT'S A HELL OF A WAY TO  
12 TREAT SOMEBODY WHO'S HERE FOR THREE WEEKS FROM SWITZERLAND.  
13 BUT THAT'S MY OPINION.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SIR?

16

17 **MAURICE RHOADS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME?

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21 **MAURICE RHOADS:** MAURICE RHOADS.

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **MAURICE RHOADS:** MR. THOMAS, PRETTY MUCH YOUR OFFICE HAS BEEN  
2 ACCOMMODATING AND VERY GOOD TO ME. I'VE GONE THROUGH SOME  
3 HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND THEN THEY WERE INFORMATIVE AND  
4 THEY HELPED ME. REALLY I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT I LOOK  
5 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND YOUR OFFICE, WORKING WITH MR.  
6 MCNABB.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10 **MAURICE RHOADS:** THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT.  
13 THAT CONCLUDES THE LIST OF SPEAKERS, EXHAUSTED THE LIST OF  
14 SPEAKERS FOR TODAY'S PUBLIC COMMENT. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
17 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
18 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM  
19 NUMBER CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
20 LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE ONE MORE ADJOURNING  
23 MOTION THAT JUST CAME TO ME.

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25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE PROCEED.



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD  
2 TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CHRIS LABONGE WHO IS THE BROTHER  
3 OF TOM LABONGE, OUR COLLEAGUE OVER AT CITY HALL, L.A. CITY  
4 HALL. CHRIS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 63 THIS PAST SATURDAY  
5 AFTERNOON AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA. HE IS ONE OF  
6 EIGHT BOYS. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF JOHN MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL,  
7 L.A. CITY COLLEGE AND OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE, WHERE HE WAS A  
8 FOOTBALL CAPTAIN. CHRIS WORKED IN ADVERTISING AND WAS A  
9 RESIDENT OF GLENDALE FOR 30 YEARS. HE RECEIVED GREAT TREATMENT  
10 AT THE U.S.C.-NORRIS CENTER. AND HIS WIFE, ROBERTA, PASSED  
11 AWAY MANY YEARS AGO, SHE PRE-DECEASED HIM, ALSO FROM CANCER--  
12 ALL MEMBERS. HE WAS THE FATHER OF THREE AND HAD RECENTLY HAD  
13 HIS FIRST GRANDCHILD. THAT'S ALL MEMBERS.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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