

Communication from Public

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Date Submitted: 08/25/2026 10:13 AM

Council File No: 26-0906-S11

Comments for Public Posting: I appreciate Councilmember Jurado's motion to impose substantially stronger financial penalties on negligent businesses and urge the Committee to approve the motion, but I emphasize that financial penalties are not enough. Even the proposed higher penalties will be written off by corporations as another operating cost. On behalf of my neighbors, small businesses and community, I demand immediate action for amendments to the zoning laws that govern our neighborhood to ensure catastrophic health and environmental incidents like this do not re-occur in our beloved community. I urge the Committee to approve Councilmember Jurado's motion to impose substantially stronger financial penalties on negligent businesses like Lineage Logistics. However, I also demand that the City of Los Angeles take actionable steps to remove polluting and negligent corporations from Boyle Heights. While many have attempted to frame this recent disaster as an isolated incident, residents like me understand that this is the direct result of decades of discriminatory zoning, specifically the concentrated placement of heavy manufacturing and industrial zoning parcels in neighborhoods that lower-income communities of color call home. Such decisions have placed a disproportionate burden of environmental pollution and associated health risks on the shoulders of communities of color. In addition to this motion and the many others that Councilmember Jurado has presented, I urge the City to amend the zoning laws to prevent cold storage facilities like Lineage Logistics from operating in such close proximity to residential neighborhoods, parks, and schools.

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Name: Yalitza Vasquez-Lopez

Date Submitted: 08/24/2026 01:35 PM

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Name: Victoria

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Comments for Public Posting: Thank you to Councilmember Jurado for taking swift action to protect our neighborhood. Her call for an interim pause on permits and stronger corporate penalties is a vital first step for Boyle Heights. However, our community deserves permanent relief from decades of hazardous zoning. Fines alone will not prevent future disasters. I urge the Committee to approve these motions today and immediately begin the work to permanently remove Lineage Logistics, withhold rebuild permits indefinitely, and amend local zoning laws so that dangerous industrial operations can never again operate next to residential areas.