

Attachment "B"

Report by Erin Schneider, Field Representative for County Supervisor, Sheila Kuehl

Dear BABCNC:

My update is below. Please note that the update does not reflect any board decisions at next week's meeting. :) Please let me know if you have any questions.

Here are my updates:

The Board voted unanimously to award \$117.5 million—the remaining balance of a total \$125 million contribution—and certify the environmental impact report for a total redesign of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.

The Board just voted to extend Rent Stabilization & expand just cause eviction protections in unincorporated LA County.

The Board voted to extend a temporary rent stabilization ordinance through December 31, 2019. The ordinance, which was first approved last fall, established a 3% annual cap on rent increases with the base rent set as of September 11, 2018. The ordinance provides protections to renters in the LA County unincorporated areas which are home to approximately 1 million County residents, 200,000 of whom are renters protected by the ordinance. Since the Board first approved the ordinance, 500 renters have reached out to the County's Department of Consumer and Business Affairs with concerns about rent increases.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted to explore the creation of a youth advisory group to provide policy input. The proposal for a body made up of young people who have been part of the juvenile justice or child welfare system that would be tasked with offering insight to the board, county septs and community-based organizations on how to improve policies and programing for youth and families. A report back, including recommendations on how the group would fit into the county organizational chart and how to compensate youth for any work they do is expected in 120 days.

Addressing Fines and Fees Associated with Criminal Justice System Involvement – The Board approved a motion by Supervisor Solis and Supervisor Kuehl that instructs CEO, Auditor-Controller, Probation, CoCo, TTC, PD/APD, LASD, DA, Courts and community stakeholders to report back on the fines and fees imposed by all mentioned departments with a demographic component that looks at income and geography in terms of seeing who is being primarily burdened with these costs. The report will provide a detailed analysis of ALL fees collected and compare them against revenues etc. This should lead to a proposed timeline and multi-year plan for stopping the collection of fees we are able to stop collecting.

LA County Supervisors Approve Motion To Link Homeless Individuals To Jobs

The Board unanimously approved a motion this week to help improve access to jobs and provide a way out of homelessness. The motion, introduced by Supervisors Kathryn Barger and Sheila Kuehl, directs the Chief Executive Office to work with the United Way of Greater Los Angeles to administer a Homeless Employment Innovation Fund. In addition to establishing the Employment Innovation Fund, the County is set to work with local experts and research collectives, such as the Homelessness Policy Research Institute, to design, implement, and measure pilot programs based on localized solutions to employing homeless individuals and families in their area, according to officials.

The Board approved \$17.4 million in funding for mental health resources at Los Angeles Unified School District and Los Angeles County Office of Education campuses. Roughly \$9.7 million of the total will go to the LAUSD.

County votes to turn an old Department of Mental Health facility in Canoga Park into transitional housing for homeless In the Canoga Park facility, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and our partners at LA Family Housing will have beds for around 100 people, as well as space and services to help put them on the road towards stability and independence.

The Board approved a new \$32.5 Billion Budget.

Some highlights:

- \$424 million to provide services to and house homeless people and to prevent homelessness -- including \$380 million in ongoing sales tax revenue -- a \$25 million increase as Measure H moves into its third year
- \$15.2 million and 77 positions to improve services and patient access across 33 directly-operated mental health clinics
- \$65 million of the County's \$80m 2019-20 commitment for affordable housing -- part of a five-year plan to reach an annual allocation of \$100 million by 2020-21
- \$28 million for a modernized voting system which debuts in November
- \$17.9 million to support 10,000 youth jobs through the Youth@Work program
- \$23 million and 37 positions to make it easier to onboard foster and adoptive caregivers, including relatives
- \$78.6 million in water quality initiatives, including funding for multi-benefit park and stormwater projects to meet the County's ongoing stormwater diversion, treatment, and compliance obligations
- \$74.7 million in voter-approved funding to maintain, build and refurbish parks and cultural facilities
- \$52.8 million to maintain and repair roads and fund safety projects
- \$7.4 million to the Women's Re-entry Program (WRC) and development of a new Women's Well-being Center.
- \$3.8 million for the County's new Department of Arts and Culture, launching in July

Best,
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