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Subject: Please support Groundswell contract continuance

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Dear Supervisor Chaffee,

I am writing to ask for you to support Groundswell in the current proposed budget so that they continue to manage of the Hate Prevention Network, the Hate Crimes Report and support/staff the OC Human Relations Commission. Last meeting there was what I consider an odd exchange support cancelling that contract in the straw vote. What is behind that? What is your position? The Groundswell group is a significant and knowledgeable supporter of the many issues of addressing racial climate and justice issues in OC. Their educational offerings and support systems are outstanding - not a simple task especially in our contentious climate. They help guide the Commissioners in their own learning. Please support your appointees to the Commission and continue K with Groundswell.

I would also be curious if there are other budget changes you may be recommending to support community needs. Your support for those who are housing insecure is a key model. I do hope there will be more resources added there and to getting this County positioned to develop more affordable housing options countywide at low/very low income levels.

Finally, considering the complete budget approval is such a significant item, wrapping approval in Item 58 with several other items, makes following the budget and it's transparency difficult. While they are related to some degree, it would be easier for public participation to make it a separate item.

Thank you,

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