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Subject: BoS comments

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Dear Mr. Page

Because of my medical disability/condition and my COVID-19 vulnerability, I continue to be advised by my health care professionals to maintain my shelter at home during the COVID pandemic. This renders me unable to attend the Board meeting in person. Therefore, I am submitting my comments here and I ask that you accommodate my needs under ADA by reading these remarks into the record at the appropriate time.

I again also ask what you are doing to coordinate and provide for real time virtual comments from those of us sheltering at home?

Item 29

COVID continues to devastate our families and communities in large part due to your inadequate, delayed and negligent planning. While I have very recently lost close family and friends due to COVID, I know the grieving is long from over. Some in my family were fortunate to receive our first vaccine this Sunday in Anaheim. I believe it was coordinated by Latino Health Access, well laid out, indoors, transportation provided and very hospitable to all, even one of your own. Thank you to all who had any part in that successful day.

Unfortunately I also heard from friends of their experiences at the outdoor disastrous vaccine setups, magnified by vicious weather. Why are you not insisting on drive through sites for those who have transportation? User friendly sites for non ambulatory folk? Transportation support for those in need? Why do you, as our county leadership, seem so set on doing the worst possible job of managing this pandemic? Your PR plan is not going to make this disappear.

My heart also breaks for my unhoused friends both on the street and in your deadly congregate shelters. Now that FEMA will reimburse 100% of project roomkey style arrangements, why are our providers so slow in getting people safely housed in motel rooms? Yes 100%, so no excuses are acceptable. You are choosing to let people deteriorate and often die. Many are awaiting the promised call backs for too many days if ever. All of you must know that single room occupancy type of "housing" saves lives and supports struggling motel/hotel hospitality businesses. Your shelters are virus bowls and deadly for many.

I am so tired of asking you to please do better.

Pat Davis

Sent from my phone. Please excuse brevity and typos.