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Hello, Supervisors,

Clearly, there is a problem.

However, there is no Advisory Board statement, hard proof of the matter, or even a copy of the New York Times article that set off this firestorm.

I wonder whether a large part of the problem is specialized equipment being used against fires which, because of Battery Energy Storage and EV's, burn 3 or 4 times hotter than normal house or forest fires. Maybe we should limit these instead of crying 'corporate monopoly' as many times as I've heard it.

It's good to look into fire equipment hijinks but we must consider all causes, yourselves, government policies, the side effects of lithium bombs, as well as the corporations.

Next, let's fight against landlord corporations which undermine rental protections and raise the rent way beyond what it should be.