



When a car accident left her orphaned, Faith Herbert was raised by her loving grandmother and found comfort in comic books, science fiction movies, and other fantastic tales of superheroes. In her teens she would discover her fantasies were reality when it was revealed she was a psiote – a human being born with the potential for incredible abilities. When the powers were activated, she discovered she had the ability to fly and a telekinetic companion field that allows her to carry objects with her mind. Faith then joined a group of fellow psiotes called the Renegades to stand against the forces of evil. She's since left her Renegade family behind to take on the world's challenges on her own. She may have a lot to learn about the superhero game, but if there's one thing she's always had, it's...

Faith™

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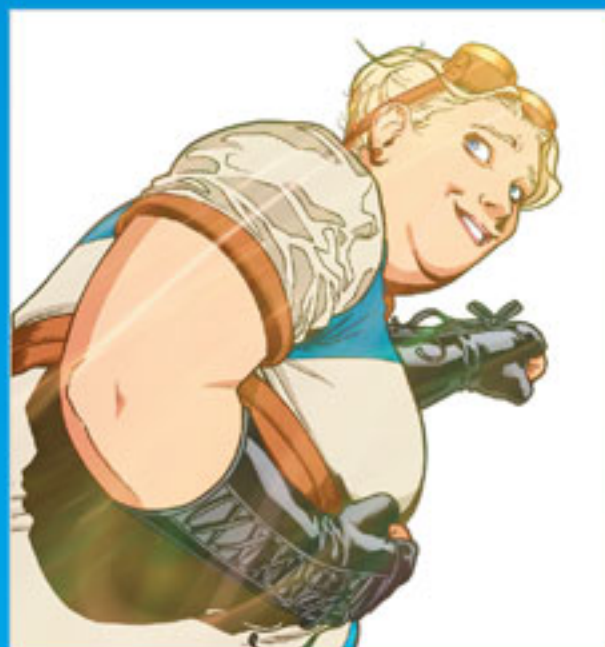
Fresh off a date with cross-country boyfriend Archer at a west coast Comic Con, Faith has returned to Los Angeles with a higher profile -- Zipline has hired her to write a blog from the superhero point of view.



Her big trip to the con with Archer had its own twists -- when Murder Mouse, a criminal cosplayer, used a powerful amulet to create evil duplicates...and create a clone for Faith in the process.



Faith confronted her clone -- but determined the duplicate was good, not evil. They tracked Murder Mouse down and put an end to his antics -- but the clone sacrificed herself to destroy the amulet.



With her clone destroyed, Faith and Archer headed home and went their separate ways. The weight of watching herself die lies heavy on Faith's conscience. She's not the only one whose heart is heavy these days...

NOT SURE WHAT I'LL FIND AROUND
HERE THAT THE POLICE DIDN'T, BUT
IT'S A PLACE TO START.

THAT SUV...IS THE
GOVERNMENT INVOLVED
NOW? CDC?

I SWEAR, IF THIS IS
THE START OF THE
ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE...

WAIT.
THAT'S...

I TAKE IT BACK.
ZOMBIES MIGHT BE
EASIER TO DEAL WITH.



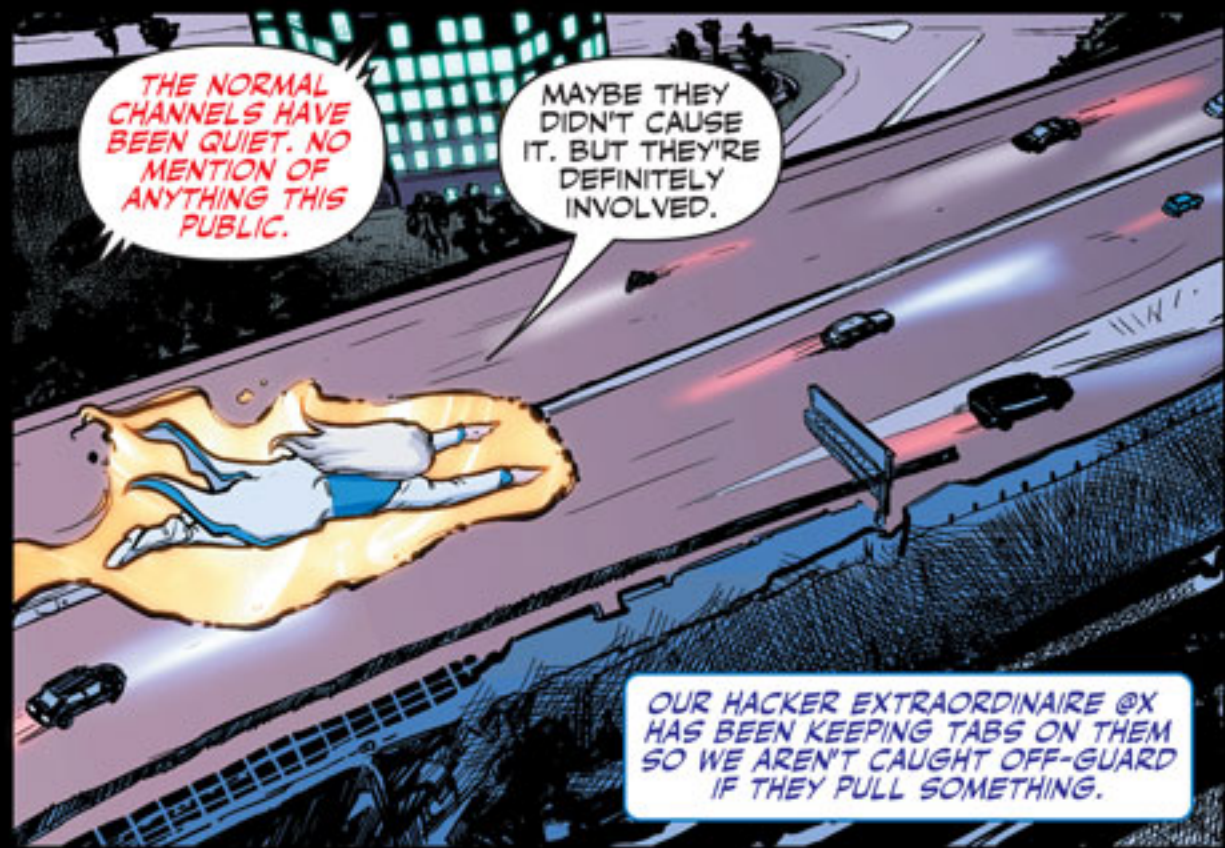


PROJECT RISING SPIRIT? ARE YOU SURE, FAITH?

IT'S HARD TO FORGET THOSE UNIFORMS, @X.

PRS WAS ONE OF THE BIG BADS TRYING TO MANIPULATE PSIOTS LIKE ME.

YOUR USUAL EVIL ORGANIZATION OF POWER-HUNGRY JERKS.



THE NORMAL CHANNELS HAVE BEEN QUIET. NO MENTION OF ANYTHING THIS PUBLIC.

MAYBE THEY DIDN'T CAUSE IT. BUT THEY'RE DEFINITELY INVOLVED.

OUR HACKER EXTRAORDINAIRE @X HAS BEEN KEEPING TABS ON THEM SO WE AREN'T CAUGHT OFF-GUARD IF THEY PULL SOMETHING.



OKAY, THIS IS SUPER WEIRD.

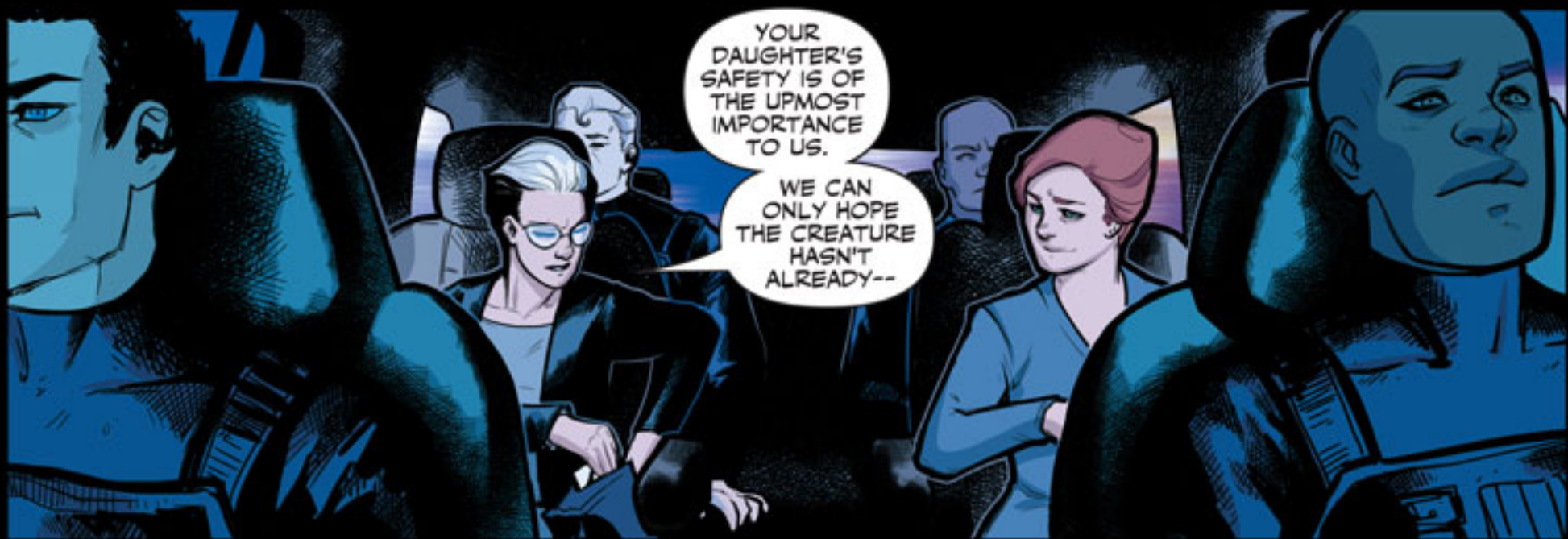
WHAT IS IT?



WHAT WOULD PRS WANT AT A MALL?



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NOT SURE WHAT PRS IS UP TO, BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF INNOCENT PEOPLE HERE. CAN'T RISK IT.

I GUESS I'M GETTING STRONGER TOO. I WASN'T SURE I COULD EVEN DRAG A FULLY PACKED SUV.

I WONDER IF I COULD ACTUALLY LIFT A CAR NOW...

THINK I'LL WAIT AND PRACTICE WITH ONE THAT ISN'T FULL OF PEOPLE.

SSSS
RRRR
EEEEAAA

REMEMBER MEN, DON'T SHOOT TO KILL. THERE ARE ALREADY ENOUGH EYES ON THIS INCIDENT.

HAVE... HAVE WE STOPPED YET?

FAITH IN POLITICS

LOUISE SIMONSON WRITER PERE PÉREZ ARTIST
ANDREW DALHOUSE COLORS DAVE SHARPE LETTERS TOM BRENNAN EDITOR

ZIPLINE HQ,
LOS ANGELES.

...AND YOU'LL COVER HILLARY CLINTON'S ADDRESS FOR YOUR BLOG FROM FAITH'S UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE AS A PSIOT HERO.

WHAT?!
LOOK, MIMI, I SAID I'D WRITE PIECES FOR YOU AS MY SUPERHERO IDENTITY. BUT I'M NOT WADING INTO POLITICS. IT'S... ICKY.

SUMMER, FAITH IS THE FEMALE HERO! HILLARY IS THE FEMALE CANDIDATE! IT'S FRESH! IT'S FUN! IT'S NOW! DO IT!

FAITH'S APARTMENT,
THE VALLEY.

UGH...IT'S WEIRD, @X.

LIKE, I HAVE THIS "SUMMER" IDENTITY AS A MILD-MANNERED CONTENT WRITER FOR AN ENTERTAINMENT WEBSITE, RIGHT?

I'M A PSIOT. I CAN FLY, DO OTHER STUFF, WHICH SORT OF MAKES ME A SUPER-HEROINE, LIKE IN THE COMICS.

IT'S WRITING MEDIA FLUFF, AND MOSTLY I LOVE IT...

...BUT WHEN I WAS A KID, I WANTED TO BE A HERO REPORTER, LIKE LOIS LANE! OR BRENDA STARR!

I DREAMED MY WRITING COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

NOW I GET TO COVER A BIG ELECTION-- BUT I HAVE TO DO IT AS A SUPERHERO.

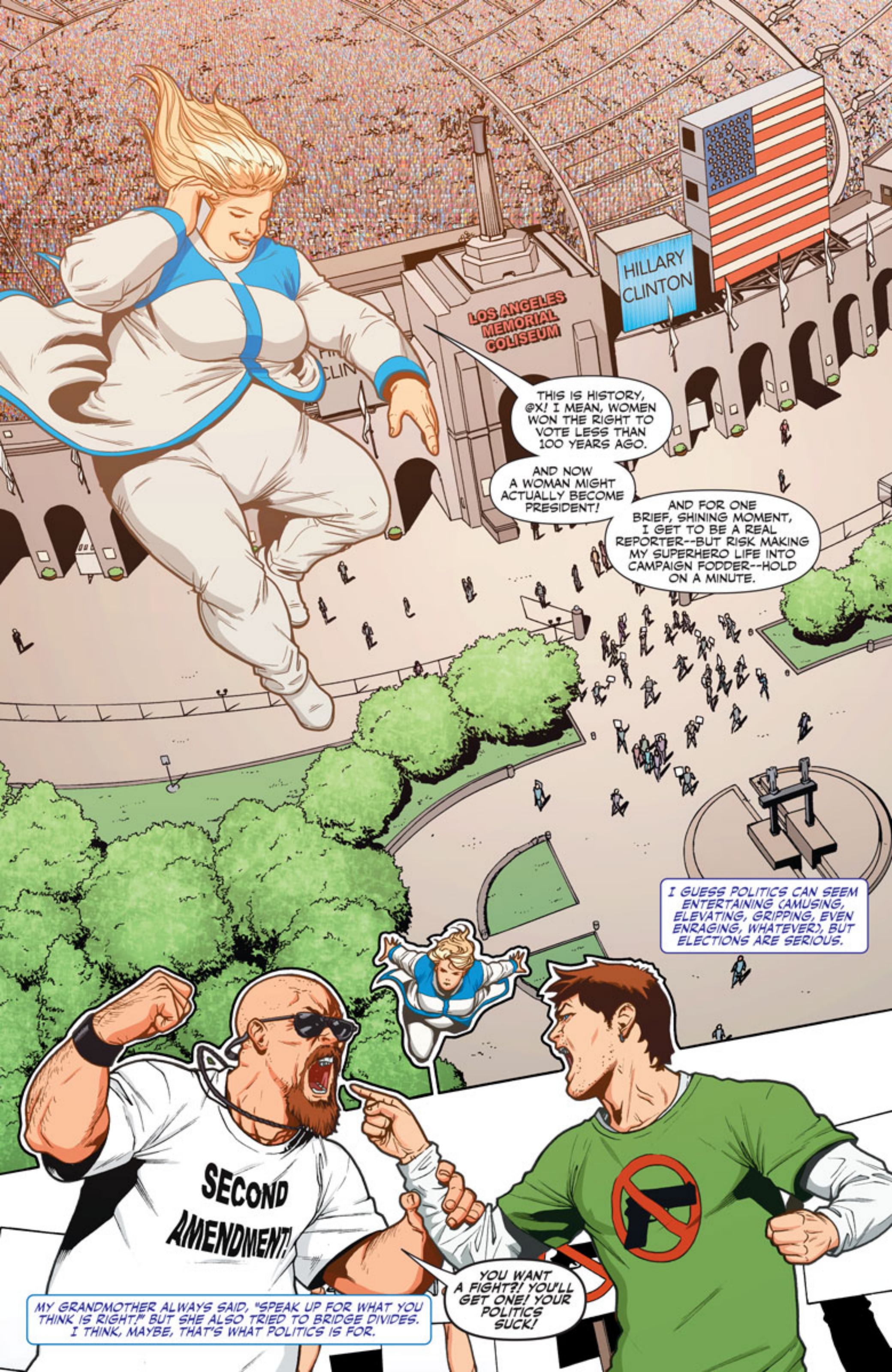
AND MIMI IS TREATING THIS ELECTION LIKE IT'S JUST ANOTHER CRAZY FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT.

SO, WHAT AM I DOING, BLOGGING FOR AN ENTERTAINMENT WEBSITE ABOUT AN ELECTION?

IF YOU DIDN'T WANT YOUR EVIL PUBLISHER BOSS TO EXPLOIT YOUR SECRET IDENTITY, YOU SHOULD HAVE KEPT IT SECRET.

I HAD TO REVEAL IT TO SAVE HER LIFE! SHEESH, @X, YOU KNOW THAT.

SO YOU'RE A HERO. QUIT WHINING.



LOS ANGELES
MEMORIAL
COLISEUM

HILLARY
CLINTON

THIS IS HISTORY,
@X! I MEAN, WOMEN
WON THE RIGHT TO
VOTE LESS THAN
100 YEARS AGO.

AND NOW
A WOMAN MIGHT
ACTUALLY BECOME
PRESIDENT!

AND FOR ONE
BRIEF, SHINING MOMENT,
I GET TO BE A REAL
REPORTER--BUT RISK MAKING
MY SUPERHERO LIFE INTO
CAMPAIGN FODDER--HOLD
ON A MINUTE.

I GUESS POLITICS CAN SEEM
ENTERTAINING (AMUSING,
ELEVATING, GRIPPING, EVEN
ENRAGING, WHATEVER), BUT
ELECTIONS ARE SERIOUS.

SECOND
AMENDMENT!



MY GRANDMOTHER ALWAYS SAID, "SPEAK UP FOR WHAT YOU
THINK IS RIGHT!" BUT SHE ALSO TRIED TO BRIDGE DIVIDES.
I THINK, MAYBE, THAT'S WHAT POLITICS IS FOR.

YOU WANT
A FIGHT?! YOU'LL
GET ONE! YOUR
POLITICS
SUCK!

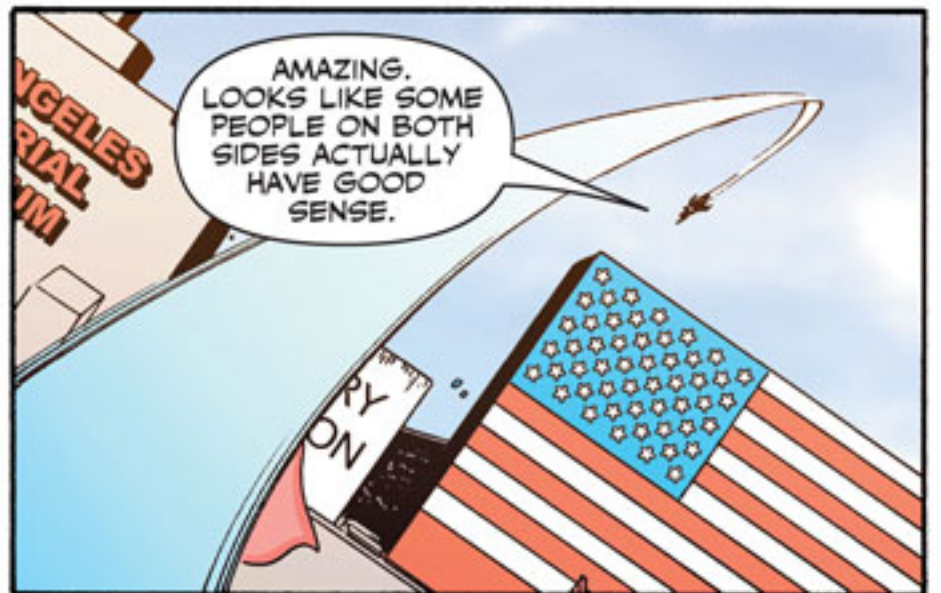


WELL, YOURS ARE INSANE!

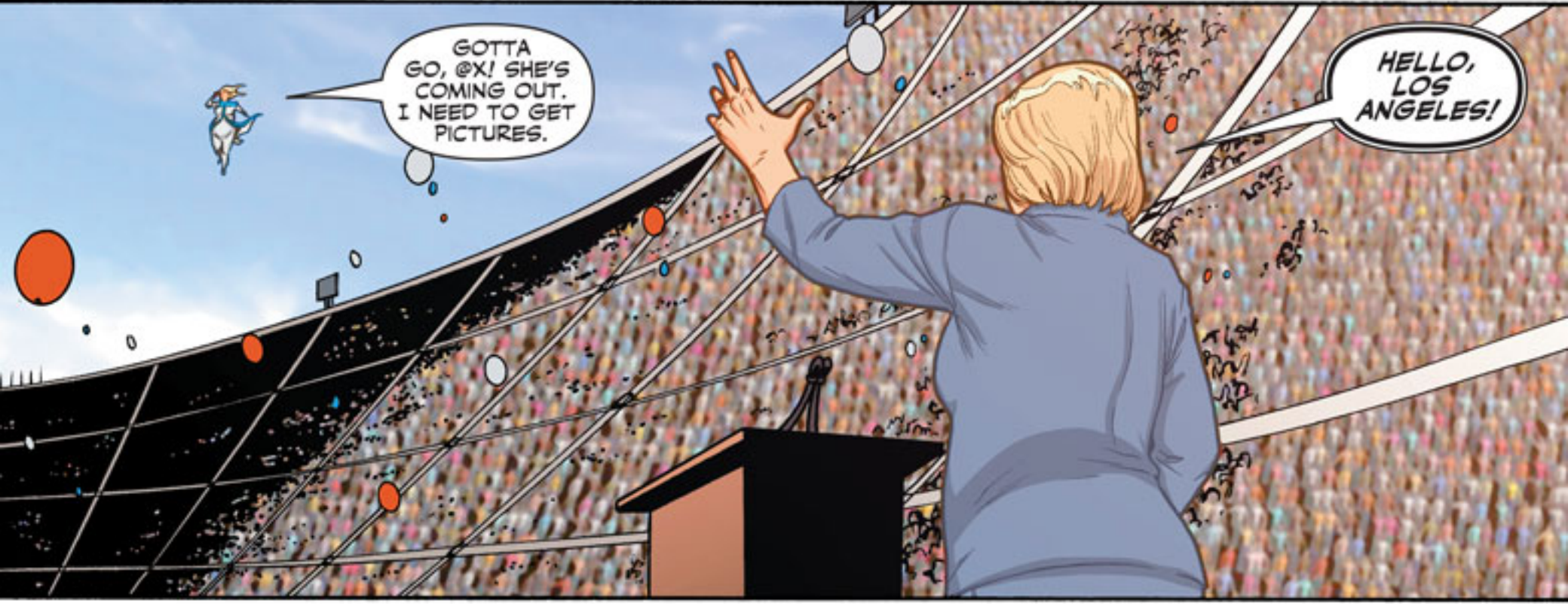


BE COOL, MAN!

NOT THE TIME OR PLACE, DUDE.

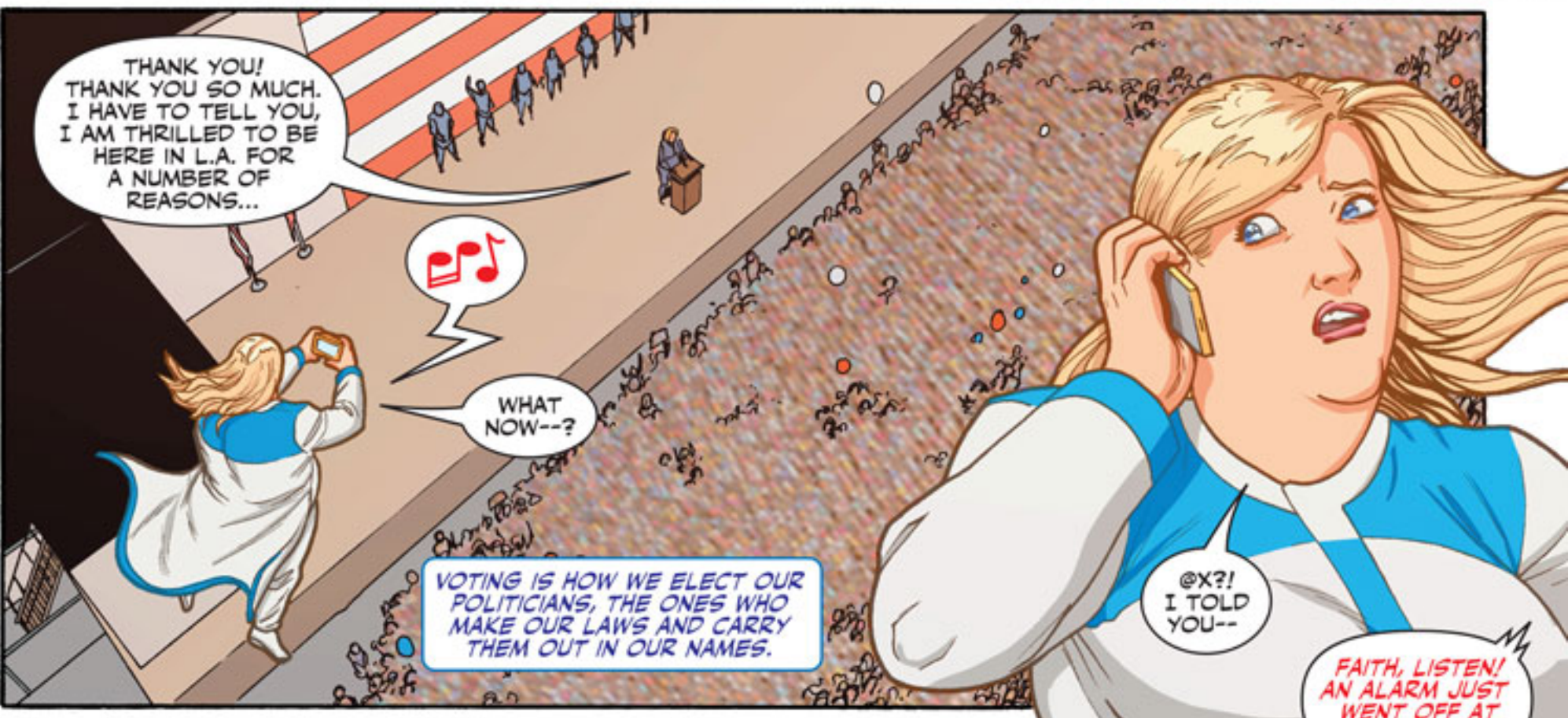


AMAZING. LOOKS LIKE SOME PEOPLE ON BOTH SIDES ACTUALLY HAVE GOOD SENSE.



GOTTA GO, @X! SHE'S COMING OUT. I NEED TO GET PICTURES.

HELLO, LOS ANGELES!



THANK YOU! THANK YOU SO MUCH. I HAVE TO TELL YOU, I AM THRILLED TO BE HERE IN L.A. FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS...

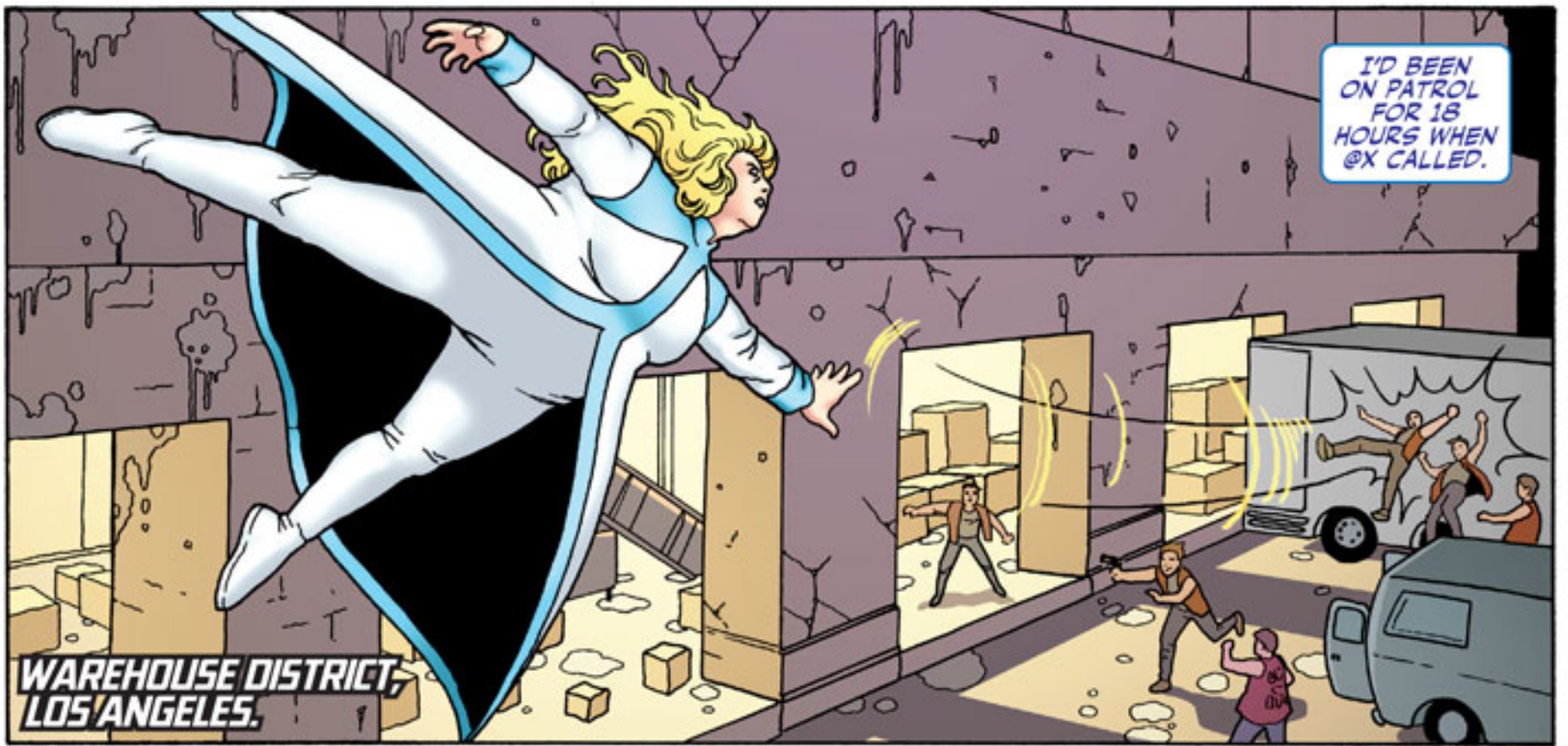
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WHAT NOW--?

VOTING IS HOW WE ELECT OUR POLITICIANS, THE ONES WHO MAKE OUR LAWS AND CARRY THEM OUT IN OUR NAMES.

@X?! I TOLD YOU--

FAITH, LISTEN! AN ALARM JUST WENT OFF AT L.A. FEDERAL.



I'D BEEN ON PATROL FOR 18 HOURS WHEN @X CALLED.

WAREHOUSE DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES.

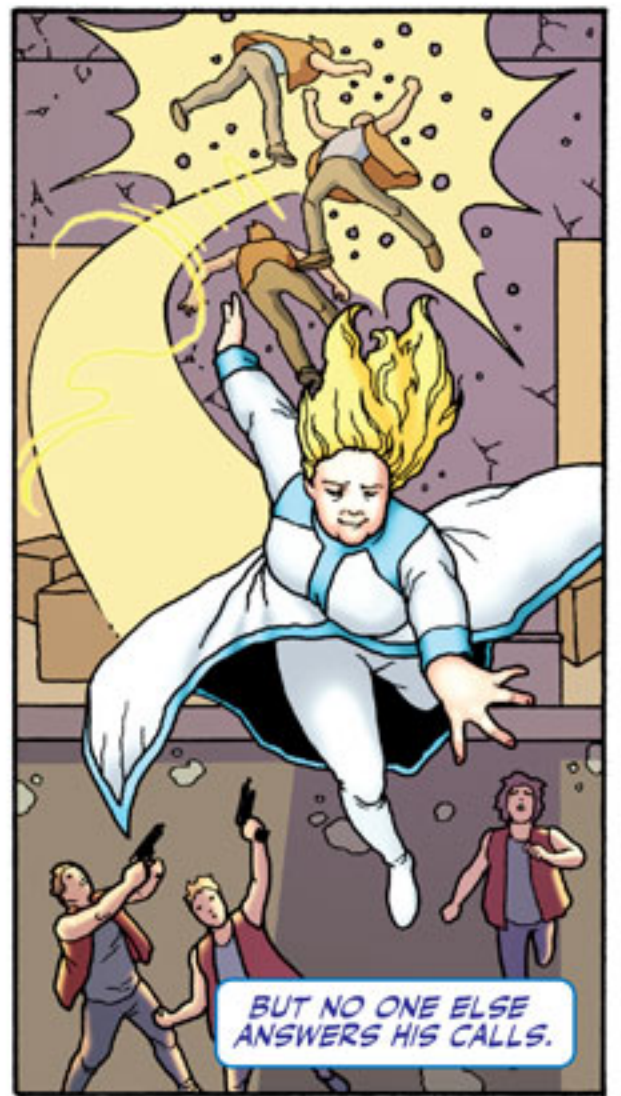


HE'D LOCATED SOME GUN RUNNERS DEALING HIGH-TECH WEAPONS.



@X ACTUALLY APOLOGIZED TO ME.

HE KNOWS THE HOURS I'VE BEEN PUTTING IN.



BUT NO ONE ELSE ANSWERS HIS CALLS.



I WOULDN'T MIND SOME HELP NOW AND AGAIN.

THIS SOLO SUPERHERO THING CAN BE HAZARDOUS.

