



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS**

**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
<http://sbc.lacounty.gov>**

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

10:00 AM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (17-4717)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Call to Order. (17-4521)

Chairperson Bhatia called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Chairperson Bhatia led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Present: Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Vice Chairperson Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Johanna Arias-Bhatia, Commissioner Percy Duran III and Commissioner Eleanor R. Montaña

Excused: Commissioner Susan Burton and Commissioner Pauline Bullock

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the September 20, 2017 Minutes. (17-4522)

On motion of Commissioner Barbara Bigby, seconded by Commissioner Percy Duran, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items. (17-4523)

There was no report presented.

3. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (17-4524)

There was no report presented.

4. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections. (17-4525)

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Vice Chair Grills Visited:

- **House of Bethesda (Firmona Avenue, Lawndale, CA), on September 28, 2017. It was noted there was dramatic improvement from last year.**
- **Humanistic Foundation (West 62nd Street, Los Angeles, CA), on October 4, 2017.**

It was noted the NSP is not up to date, and there is a note on the refrigerator there is no food allowed after 7:00 PM. This group home is making the transition to STRTP.

Commissioner Duran Visited:

- **Maryvale Group Home (East Graves Avenue, Rosemead, CA), on October 3, 2017.**
This facility has applied for STRTP.

Commissioner Montaña visited:

- **Cerritos Sheriff (Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA), on September 5, 2017.**
- **Heritage Group Homes #4 (Santa Fe Springs Road, Whittier, CA), on September 26, 2017.**
- **Orange County Children's Foundation (Marbella Avenue, Carson, CA), on September 5, 2017.**
- **Penny Lane #5 (Haskell Avenue, North Hills, CA), on September 18, 2017.**
- **Penny Lane Main (Rayen Street, North Hills, CA), on September 18, 2017.**
- **Van Nuys Courthouse West (Erwin Street Mall, Van Nuys, CA), on September 11, 2017.**

It was noted the Courthouse has been waiting to be painted for 10 years, and the fire extinguisher is out of date.

- **Children's Home of Southern California (RunneyMede Street, Van Nuys, CA), on September 11, 2017.**
- **Optimist Group Home Van Nuys (Burnet Avenue, Van Nuys, CA), on September 11, 2017 (Not Home).**
- **Optimist Group Home Eagle Rock (Silver Oak Terrace, Los Angeles, CA), on September 25, 2017 (Not Home)**
- **Universal City Substation (Universal Studios Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA), on September 25, 2017.**
- **Santa Clarita Courthouse, (West Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA), on October 2, 2017.**
- **Santa Clarita Sheriff (Magic Mountain Parkway, Valencia, CA), on October 2, 2017.**

It was noted the female public toilet was dirty, and the substation is scheduled to receive new floors and stainless steel toilets.

Commissioner Bigby visited:

- **McKinley Boy's Home (West Cypress Street, San Dimas, CA) on September 5, 2017.**
 - **Crescenta Valley Station (Briggs Avenue, La Crescenta, CA), on September 8, 2017.**
 - **Penny Lane #8 (Hayvenhurst Avenue, North Hills, CA), on September 13, 2017.**
 - **Glendale Courthouse (East Broadway, Glendale, CA), on September 15, 2017.**
 - **Hillside Home for Children HR (Avenue 64, Pasadena, CA), on September 22, 2017.**
 - **Penny Lane #1 (Burnett Avenue, North Hills, CA), on September 27, 2017.**
 - **Penny Lane #2 (Nordoff Street, North Hills, CA), on September 27, 2017.**
- It is noted although the facility inspected well, there was a report the social worker does not come for visits. Penny Lane staff reported internal concerns to Commissioner Bigby.**

- **Rosemary Children's Services HR (South Kinneloa Avenue, Pasadena, CA), on September 28, 2017.**
Out of 71 files, 19 did not have the CA Driver License updated, and 2 had no fingerprints.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Public Comment

5. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (17-4526)

Mr. Lambert Talley addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

6. Adjournment for the meeting of October 4, 2017. (17-4527)

There being no further business, Chairperson Bhatia adjourned the meeting of October 4, 2017 at 10:45 a.m. in honor of the lives lost in Los Vegas.