

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS

> 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

> > http://sbc.lacounty.gov/

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK TO THE ENTIRE MEETING. (23-2297)

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Call to Order.

## Los Angeles County Land Acknowledgment

The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants past, present, and emerging as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the

Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation San Manuel Band of Mission Indians San Fernando Band of Mission Indians

To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website <a href="http://www.lanaic.lacounty.gov">www.lanaic.lacounty.gov</a>.

Roll Call. (23-2314)

Chairperson Mark – Anthony Clayton Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Roll call was performed by staff. Chairperson Clayton Johnson then read the LA County Land Acknowledgment.

- Present: 6 Chairperson Mark-Anthony Clayton Johnson, Vice Chairperson Alexander Sherman, Commissioner Eric Miller, Commissioner Raymond Regalado, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, and Commissioner Mary Veral
- Absent: 3 Commissioner Ingrid Archie, Commissioner Bob Frutos, and Commissioner Dr. Cheryl N. Grills

## I. REPORTS

- **1.** Los Angeles Sheriff Department, LASD (Commander Hugo Macias).
  - Roll Call
  - In Custody Deaths
    - Public notice requirements under PC 10008 require inclusion of "The custodial status of the decedent, including, but not limited to, whether the person was awaiting arraignment, awaiting trial, or incarcerated."
    - Count of in-custody deaths in 2023.
    - Outcomes: How many inquiries, administrative investigations, and corrective action plans?
  - Unsanitary Conditions Status of revisions to TTCF Policies. Status of inmate worker program.
  - High Observation Housing (HOH) Sanitation Issues.
  - Courthouse Liaison.
    - Daily count of number of people who do not make to court and reasons.
    - LASD Policies for administration and maintenance of courthouse lockups. (23-2316)

Commander Hugo Macias reported that Year to Date there have been 24 in custody deaths, and 50 outstanding corrective action plans. Details on in available custodv deaths are on the LASD website: https://lasd.org/transparency/icd/. There are no trends, associated factors, or correlations found as it relates to in-custody deaths. Furthermore, the corrective action plan process is unique to the situation. The coroner's office can provide details. The LASD will follow up on establishing a means to inform the SBC of any in custody deaths and a concise way to present corrective action plans, identify a subject matter expert to go the process and discuss any themes/patterns at the next SBC meeting.

The LASD will also look into making changes to their website to satisfy California penal code, Title 10 - General Provisions Section 10008. "The custodial status of the decedent, including, but not limited to, whether the person was awaiting arraignment, awaiting trial, or incarcerated". Commander Macias then reported changes to the unit orders at Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF) to address unsanitary conditions which include removing the Medical Services Bureau as they no longer exist and understanding that CHS and the LASD are separate entities. Revisions should be solidified by end of week. Copies to be forwarded to the SBC, and operations monitor to ensure staff in the various units are made aware. The SBC then recommended more oversight from the deputies to solve the LASD sanitation problems. Commander Macias agreed, and shared challenges surrounding the inmate worker program and reported that they are expanding their contract with Sodexo and working with ISD to hire people. Commander Macias reported that the LASD does not have a sophisticated court tracking system to track court appearances. The Population Management Bureau coordinates with the LASD. And the **Courts Services Division handles polices.** 

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- 2. Department of Correctional Health Services (Dr. Sean Henderson).
  - Actions being taken by CHS to implement services under the "CalAIM 1115 Demonstration: Justice-Involved Reentry initiative Implementation Plan" Section 1115 waiver.
  - High Observation Housing (HOH) Sanitation Issues.
  - Update on Hepatitis A outbreak. (23-2317)

Dr. Henderson had nothing new to report on HOH Sanitation issues. He addressed the LA Times article on the Hepatitis A outbreak, stating that there is only one case and that the case was likely infected prior to arrival, and by the observation period will be through July 17th, and as defined one case is not an outbreak. In regard to Section 1115 waiver nothing has happened, the State of CA. is in the process working on formulating guidelines and in fact has reached out to CHS with questions, however, are still pending guidelines. And briefly discussed what he knew about the funding structure.

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Mr. Erick Montalban reported that the COC concluded their virtual conference series on conditions in the jails and what the county is doing to watch visit website: remedv those situations. То the COC the COC YouTube https://coc.lacounty.gov/ or channel: https://www.youtube.com/@LACountyCOC. Their next community meeting is June 24, 2023, at the Florence Library in South Los Angeles and to get community input on what is happening with the LASD. Their regular meeting was on June 15, 2023, at the Dollarhide Community Center in Compton, which included nominations for COC Chair and Vice Chair, in which they heard from the LASD, Community and the Mayor regarding street takeovers. As well as discussed, the shooting of Andres Andrado in which the LASD announced that they hired an unidentified independent agency to review the investigation. The District Attorney's Office (DA) although invited declined their invitation but advised the COC to submit written guestions. On June 18, 2023, the COC hosted an informational table at the Second Districts Juneteenth Celebration in South Los Angeles. On June 29, 2023, they will host a virtual conference on "Investigations of Fatal Officer Shootings". The next community meeting is July 15, 2023, at the probations training center auditorium, in Pico Rivera. Lastly, he announced that the COC is still accepting applications to fill their vacant COC commissioner positions and that the deadline is June 30, 2023.

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4. Chairperson' Report on correspondence received. (23-2319)

#### There was no public comment.

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**5.** Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports. (23-2320)

#### There was no report.

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## II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

6. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of May 17, 2023. (23-2321)

On motion of Commissioner Raymond Regalado, seconded by Commissioner Eric Miller this item was approved as amended with the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: 4 Chairperson Mark-Anthony Clayton Johnson, Vice Chairperson Alexander Sherman, Commissioner Raymond Regalado, and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones
- Abstentions: 2 Commissioner Eric Miller and Commissioner Mary Veral
  - Absent: 3 Commissioner Ingrid Archie, Commissioner Bob Frutos, and Commissioner Dr. Cheryl N. Grills

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**7.** Discussion and Action on a letter to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and the Los Angeles County Sheriff (LASD). (23-2322)

Vice Chairperson Sherman led a discussion on the revision of the letter to the BOS and the LASD which included written edits from Commissioner Regalado and in person edits from Commissioner Miller to page 19, the LASD create transparent online accounting of the creation of beds. To acknowledge that Latino's and indigenous people are also disproportioned. And that the recommendation includes the importance of having an independent monitor to review and inspect the conditions of the jails on a regular basis to ensure that public health standards, medical standards, and that the standards of the jails are being met. The SBC is working on a final copy to present at the next SBC meeting.

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- 8. Discussion and action of the SBC bylaws, potential changes to the following:
  - Poll Results
  - Meeting frequency and length of meeting
  - Meeting Schedule
    - Meeting location to reflect the Hall of Administration and exclude a room number
    - Meeting dates for the Regular Meeting and the Business meeting (23-2324)

After discussion on motion of Vice Chairperson Alexander Sherman, seconded by Commissioner Mary Veral the SBC approved changes to the SBC bylaws; meeting date and frequency from the first and second Wednesday of the Month at 10:00 a.m. at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration in room 374. To meeting the first Thursday of every month at 9:00 a.m. at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration unless rescheduled, relocated, or cancelled by the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson, or as authorized by law." The language to be vetted by County Counsel and presented at the earliest SBC meeting for adoption with the following roll call vote:

- Ayes: 6 Chairperson Mark-Anthony Clayton Johnson, Vice Chairperson Alexander Sherman, Commissioner Eric Miller, Commissioner Mary Veral, Commissioner Raymond Regalado, and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones
- Absent: 3 Commissioner Ingrid Archie, Commissioner Bob Frutos, and Commissioner Dr. Cheryl N. Grills
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# III. MISCELLANEOUS

## Public Comment

**9.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (23-2325)

## There was no public comment.

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## <u>Adjournment</u>

**10.** Adjournment for the Meeting of June 21, 2023. (23-2326)

# Chairperson Mark - Anthony Clayton Johnson adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.