

AGN. NO.

MOTION BY SUPERVISORS HILDA L. SOLIS
AND SHEILA KUEHL

January 10, 2017

On December 6, 2016, the Board adopted a motion to convert the existing County Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Taskforce into the County Immigrant Protection and Advancement Taskforce (IPAA Taskforce), to be responsible for developing strategies to protect immigrants in Los Angeles County. This taskforce will have a great deal of work to do in the months to come in anticipating and responding to changes in federal immigration policy that may threaten vulnerable immigrant communities in Los Angeles County.

In addition, the County must establish a permanent structure within the County to serve the nearly 3.5 million immigrants living in Los Angeles County. The reports previously submitted by the DACA Taskforce demonstrated the extent to which a broad range of County efforts touch and impact immigrant communities. Immigrants residing in Los Angeles County need a designated place within their local government, a one-stop shop that will coordinate and streamline—in a multilingual culturally-competent manner—access to countywide services.

WE, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1. Direct the CEO to
 - a. Establish an Office of Immigrant Affairs (OIA) within the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA), and report back, in consultation with the Immigrant Protection and Advancement Taskforce (IPAA Taskforce), in time for the fiscal year 2017-2018 recommended budget in April with a recommended funding and staffing plan; the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs should immediately appoint an Acting Executive Director of the OIA, who should also serve as the Chair of the IPAA Taskforce;
 - b. Implement the recommended changes to the structure of the IPAA Taskforce, including its expansion to include representative members from the philanthropic community, labor, academia, advocacy, and immigrant rights organizations;

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- c. Direct CEO to require that County departments do not request information about or otherwise investigate the immigration status of any person, unless necessary for the services sought or required by law;
2. Request the Civilian Oversight Commission, in collaboration with the Inspector General and the Auditor-Controller, review, analyze and make recommendations to the Sheriff's department's adherence to the policies described in his January 10, 2017 letter and any other relevant policies as needed to carry out the intention of this policy and to report back in writing to the Board quarterly;
3. Request that the Superintendent of the Office of Education report back to the Board in 60 days, at the March 7, 2017 Board meeting, and
 - a. Evaluate possible local, state, federal and private funding opportunities for professional development for LACOE staff and impacted school districts on the education-related consequences and potential changes to immigration law and policy;
 - b. Provide an outline of current trainings offered to LACOE staff and districts, and explore how those trainings could be supplemented with discussion about immigration-related impact on immigrant students and families;
 - c. Explore the possibility of creating a leadership level position within LACOE that specifically handles immigration related issues, training and guidance;
 - d. Provide a plan for multilingual information distribution to parents, youth, and districts regarding resources and the legal rights of immigrant students to a free public education regardless of their immigration status.

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