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Operationalizing the Immigrant Protection and Advancement Task Force

Over the past few months, the Board of Supervisors has taken action to represent the interests of the nearly 3.5 million immigrants who live in Los Angeles County. The Office of Immigrant Affairs (OIA) will serve as a one-stop shop to coordinate and streamline, in a multilingual and culturally competent manner, access to County services. To implement this work, the Chief Executive Office and Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) will soon present a recommended budget and staffing plan to the Board for approval.

Equally important will be the work undertaken by the Los Angeles County Immigrant Protection and Advancement Taskforce (IPAA Taskforce), which will bring together public and private stakeholders to develop and implement a broad vision for immigrant advancement throughout the County. The Board first charged the IPAA Taskforce with developing a Countywide Immigrant Protection and Advancement Strategy (Countywide Strategy), including specific recommendations for each County Department, and subsequently broadened its mandate to also include setting goals and deliverables for these strategies and also for providing policy recommendations at the federal, state, and local level.

Given these mandates, the IPAA Taskforce membership must reflect the full range of key stakeholders within the County, both public and private. While the IPAA Taskforce membership was initially limited to County departments, the Board voted on January 10, 2017, to expand its membership to include representatives from philanthropy, labor, academia, chambers of commerce, immigrant rights organizations, legal organizations, and ethnic media networks. The Board also voted to task DCBA with oversight and administrative support of the IPAA Taskforce.

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In order to operationalize and empower the IPAA Taskforce, several actions should be undertaken.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Formally establish the following membership structure and selection process for the IPAA Taskforce:
 - a. County Department Subcommittee: In addition to the County departments identified in the CEO's May 16, 2015, report back on behalf of the County's Deferred Action Task Force (subsequently converted into the IPAA Taskforce), the Sheriff and any other County Departments deemed necessary by the Director of the OIA;
 - b. External Stakeholders Subcommittee: With the objective of achieving representation from the full range of community stakeholders, including but not limited to philanthropy, labor, academia, chambers of commerce, immigrant rights organizations, legal organizations, and ethnic media networks, the following selection process shall apply:
 - i. Each Supervisor will appoint a single member (Supervisory Appointee) (5 total) with a demonstrated commitment to and expertise in issues impacting the Los Angeles County immigrant community.
 - ii. The Supervisory Appointees shall identify stakeholder groups not represented among the five (5) Supervisory Appointees and shall, with the assistance of DCBA, OIA, and an independent Search Consultant if necessary, recruit candidates and interview and select, by majority vote, as many as necessary to achieve sufficiently broad representation of stakeholder groups, with up to six (6) additional members (Additional Members) for a total maximum of 11 External Stakeholders Subcommittee members. Any and all Additional Members shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors.
 - iii. The Supervisory Appointees shall serve for any duration desired by the appointing Supervisor and shall be removed and/or replaced at that Supervisor's discretion; the Additional Members shall be removed and/or replaced by majority vote of the other External Stakeholders Subcommittee members.
2. Direct the Director of the OIA, with administrative support provided by DCBA, to convene each subcommittee separately at least quarterly and jointly at least biannually. The IPAA Taskforce may wish to develop ad-hoc workgroups

comprising both internal and external stakeholders for various tasks. The Director should also develop a process by which non-appointed members of the public can volunteer to support the work of the IPAA Taskforce.

3. Direct the IPAA Taskforce to present a comprehensive Countywide Immigrant Protection and Advancement Strategy to the Board of Supervisors no later than December 31, 2017.

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