



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION COMMISSION

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JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> AT 10 AM

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Downey, CA 90242

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PROBATION  
COMMISSION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020  
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**



**Commissioners**

Joe Gardner-President,

Hon. Jan Levine (Ret.)-1st Vice President, Gale Swartz-2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Donald Meredith, Hon. Betsy Butler (Ret.) Daniel Seaver, Azael Martinez-Sonoqui Cyn Yamashiro, Esq., Jacqueline Caster, Esq. Jo Kaplan, Esq.  
Olivia E. Mitchell, Peter Shutan, Randy Herbon, Sunny Zia

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AGENDA POSTED: July 6, 2020

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**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Excused Absences:
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes: June 25, 2020

**Attachment(s): June 25, 2020**

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**County of Los Angeles Office of Inspector General**

4. Presentation by Inspector General Max Huntsman to discuss work by the Commission that might be helpful in moving towards the implementation of the Probation Oversight Commission, including discussion about the Commission starting the process of engaging the public and Probation Department on next steps to setting up options for alternatives to custody.

## **PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

5. Update from Department leadership regarding current conditions in juvenile halls and camps.
6. Protocol for involving parents/guardians in children's medical care by Probation Health Services.
7. Trailing agenda item to be addressed as information becomes known to the Probation Department.
  - Budgetary cuts by percentage
    - Where would cuts be made?
    - Freezing positions?
    - Freezing programs?
    - Delayed procurements?
  - The impacts of transition of DJJ custody services to the supervision of LA County.
    - a. Public Safety Concerns (DJJ ages goes to age 25)
    - b. Custody management (Need to increase training from current BCSC Juvenile Core Course?)
    - c. Field Supervision (Similar to how PCRS/AB109 is done or like currently done by Juvenile Field Services?)
    - d. Fiscal Impact (any state reimbursement? Cost to county? Revenue source?)
    - e. Facility needs (Upgrades for handling a higher risk population)
    - f. Anticipated numbers - 70+- *as stated by Deputy Director Cotton on 6-11-2020*
    - g. Types of offenses (Usually very serious)
    - h. Mental Health issues
    - i. Alternatives to incarceration
  - SB 889 (Proposed legislation changing minors to youth)
    - a. Makes Juvenile prosecution and juvenile 19 and under
    - b. How to use facilities to keep 18+ separate from those 17 and under
    - c. Fiscal Impact due to adding 18 and 19-year-old the Juvenile System, (any state reimbursement? Cost to county? Revenue source?)
  - Education planning for new youth - high school diplomas for those who have not gotten already; college courses for others.
  - Community service providers that they are working with to provide services both within the facilities, and once youth are released:
    - a. Job training/placement.
    - b. Mental health support.
    - c. Drug and alcohol support.
    - d. General re-entry preparation.
  - Family counseling

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## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest within the subject matter of the Commission.

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## **BUSINESS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**The Probation Commission will receive, exchange, distribute information, conduct discussion and take possible action relevant to Item 8.**

## **COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND UPDATES**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**The Probation Commission will receive, exchange, distribute information, conduct discussion and take possible action relevant to COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND UPDATES.**

**Discussion regarding proposed topics for next meeting, scheduled for July 23, 2020.**

Update and discussion of the status of the Probation Department Reserve Program.

Report from Deputy Director Ron Barret of Internal Affairs regarding investigations into allegations of Probation staff who committed timekeeping fraud.

Discussion with Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, Dr. Jonathan E. Sherin regarding refining the approach to enhance safety within Probation Department facilities and improve the care of minors suffering from forms of mental illness.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

9. Probation Department “soft opening” July 6.

10. July 23 meeting will be tentatively held virtually.

## **ADJOURNMENT**