



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION  
ON INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, RM 372  
LOS ANGELES, CA. 90012**

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**Thursday, July 10, 2025**

**9:00 A.M.**

RECORDING LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (25-3881)

**Attachments:** [VIDEO LINK](#)

**1.** 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  
Gabiroleño 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 [www.lanaic.lacounty.gov](http://www.lanaic.lacounty.gov).

Opening Remarks, and Roll Call. (25-3760)

**Chairperson Haley Broder called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. She announced a total of 24 in custody deaths year to date and expressed deep concern. She proceeded with the reading of the Los Angeles County Land Acknowledgement. Followed by roll call in which there was a quorum of in person members present. Commissioner Joahanna Terrones arrived to the meeting at 9:20 a.m.**

**Chairperson Haley Broder then thanked those in attendance.**

- Present:** 7 - Chairperson Haley Broder, Vice Chairperson Wynter Dags, Commissioner Puja Bhatia, Commissioner Norma Cumpian, Commissioner Eric J. Miller, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, and Commissioner Mary Veral
- Absent:** 2 - Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

## I. REPORTS

2. Los Angeles County Sheriff Department (LASD) report and updates. (25-3805)
  - Update on the pre-portioned meal roll out and meal equipment.
  - Report Back on Title 15 Checks.
  - Follow ups from inspections and last Meeting including, response regarding Men's Central Jail (MCJ) March 25, 2025, and Utility Daily Activity Logs (UDALs).
  - LASDs response to the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids and the impact that has had on jail operations.

**Commander Montoya reported that the pre-portioned meal equipment is close to being delivered, with some already received and being installed. And certification will be required once installed and expects the pre-portioned meals to be delivered no later than by September 2025. She stated that Title 15 checks are an ongoing discussion among staff, and a new system has been implemented wherein supervisors log in to review recordings and audit the quality and timeliness of safety checks. Watch Commanders are responsible for auditing the supervisors' work. Additionally, that the use of technology to monitor an incarcerated person's vital signs, it would improve reaction and response and hopes to present related research and information to the committee in the near future. In terms of next steps to implementation Commander Montoya reported that the task was delegated to Custody Support Services, who is currently researching whether other agencies utilize vital sign monitoring technology and what types are in use. She added that they will coordinate with Correctional Health Services (CHS) to identify a population to participate in a pilot program. The food pilot program has been delayed because equipment has not been fully received. And that the pre-portioned food delivery pilot program should commence in September 2025 at MCJ only. Commander Montoya to follow up regarding the discontinued pilot program in the discipline row.**

**Commander Montoya reported that the length of time it takes to review safety checks is on an individual basis, but generally takes less than five minutes to conduct an audit of one walk. And that they are documented. Lieutenant Gonzalez noted that as a Watch Commander he reviews multiple cameras and documents abnormalities it in the system, the Safety Check Sargent then calls the person in, who calls in the deputy in for a discussion and possible reprimand. If nothing is seen occurring, nothing is documented. Commander Montoya stated that there is no written policy regarding the time spent on safety checks. And that it is documented on a performance log entry for internal purposes and would not be provided.**

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Commissioner Veral reported that at the Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF) she observed 8 employees watching a baseball game and questioned the understaffing the LASD says they are experiencing.

Commander Montoya stated that the Title 15 audit is not in response to the corrective action that the State of California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) had requested to that so much as it is in response to observing what is happening in their jails, recommendations from the Department of Justice (DOJ), and information discovered during death reviews. And that the audits occur every shift.

Chair Broder expressed that the LASD follow ups do not adequately represent what they see during their inspections. She noted they are diligent in preparing their reports to be as accurate as possible and it is disappointed that they are told by the Deputies that the occurrences the committee members witness are not occurring at the jails and Commander Montoya stated she will speak with her staff on this issue.

Commander Montoya stated that ICE raids have had no impact to jail operations, the LASD does not hold ICE detainees and are not participating in their operations. She informed she can provide a general list of lock down occurrences as a result of the LASDs assistance with crowd control and a list for the weeks they were activated for all facilities. And use a hands-off approach when assisting ICE. And that she is not aware of an increase in detainees due to ICE raids. Also, that ICE does not have access to their jails. And that LASD does not use face coverings and is required to use identifiers such as a name badge or employee number. And that the LASD website list what LASD uniforms look like for identification purposes. Commander Montoya then stated that the LASD does not have a policy in place regarding crowd control and communication and that the LASD does not interfere if someone wants to record or if they are detained by another agency. And that the LASD does not receive information on where an incarcerated person is being taken when detained by ICE. The LASD does not notify ICE of detainees being released unless they have a request to do so.

Commander Montoya reported that the noose investigation at MCJ has concluded with policy violations found and appropriate disciplines imposed however cannot discuss personnel matters but will speak with LASD Assistant Sherriff Paula Tokar on submitting a report to the SBC.

In-person public comments were provided by Berkley Donovan and Heidi Vasquez, ACLU. There was no virtual or written public comment.

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Attachments: [032525 MCJ Response](#)  
[UDALs](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

3. Commissioners Reports on Detention Facilities. (25-3806)

Commissioner Eric J. Miller, and Commissioner Mary Veral

- Twin Tower's Correctional Facility (TTCF), 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, June 11, 2025, NOT JULY 11, 2025

Commissioner Puja Bhatia, and Commissioner Kathrine Hennigan Ohanesian

- Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF), 11705 S Alameda St, Lynwood, CA. 90262, June 17, 2025

Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado

- Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF), 11705 S Alameda St, Lynwood, CA. 90262, June 20, 2025

Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, and Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs

- San Fernando Courthouse, 900 Third Street, San Fernando, CA 91340, June 23, 2025

Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones

- Twin Tower's Correctional Facility (TTCF), 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, June 24, 2025

Chairperson Haley Broder, and Chairperson Haley Border, and Commissioner Mary Veral

- Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF), 11705 S Alameda St, Lynwood, CA. 90262, June 29, 2025

**Commissioner Veral highlighted the 8 LASD employees watching the Cubs and Phillies baseball game at a TTCF high-observation mental health housing module. One employee was observed doing a walk through for about 10 seconds than returning to watch the game with the 7 other employees already watching the game. The Watch Commander notified of the situation told the SBC that it was within policy and not an issue. She noted that the Watch Commander also had a tv on.**

**Commissioner Bhatia stated that the SBC should consider how they would like to obtain Correction Action Plans (CAPs) from LASD and that the UDALs submitted by LASD are pointless and do not address the issues the SBC reports to the Watch Commander. She recommended providing a proposal with specific language addressing what they have seen and what LASD has done to take corrective action.**

**Vice Chairperson Daggs reported that the elevators at TTCF have been inoperable for over a year and was told by the Watch Commander that a**

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technical team has been working on it and would connect the SBC to the service provider which has not happened.

Commissioner Veral reported that the incarcerated people at CRDF are not getting outdoors for recreational activities.

In person public comment was provided by Berkley Donovan, ACLU. There was no virtual public comment or written public comment.

Refer to inspection reports for details.

Attachments:    [Inspection Reports](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

4. Community Safety Implementation Team (CSIT) report-out/updates on the jail closure plan(s) for Men's Central Jail (MCJ). (25-3807)
- Wilford Pinkney Jr., CSIT Executive Director
  - Chidinma Ume, CSIT Deputy Executive Director

Mr. Wilford Pinkney gave an overview of the CSIT including its creation, mission and noted the two motions that directed the CSIT to do the following:

1. Effectuate the closure of MCJ in the quickest timeframe possible. 2. Expand community-based beds. 3. Increase efficiency in criminal case processing. 4. Engage with community to be inclusive and uplift the needs of those impacted.

He then went over the CSIT authority, what they can and cannot do, including creating a framework and plan to close MCJ, assess and recommend community-based services, and allocate \$42 million in Care First Community Investment CFCI funds toward depopulation and that the focus of CSIT is on services that promote deflection, diversion and early release from jail. The strategic approach such as reducing inflow, reducing length of stay, and increasing the outflow to help the incarcerated people get out of jail, and some program examples are the Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams and rapid diversion programs. He reviewed prior recommendations and noted that there are four key reports, 246 total recommendations with 60 in the CSIT scope. And that the jail population is 13,061 as of June 2025, and noted the following:

- 95% rise of specialty mental health housing at MCJ
- 40% currently in specialty mental health housing at MCJ
- 8% of the sentenced population due to AB 109
- 8% sentenced population

He noted that the Board Report speaks to the progress CSIT has made in building consensus and producing a comprehensive framework that

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delineates the options, steps, and conditions needed for closure of MCJ in the shortest possible time frame and that the actionable steps are expanding community beds, increasing efficiency in case processing, and improving the spaces and services available inside existing jail facilities. He then discussed the Base Population Project and noted the following:

- In 2021, the JFA Institute developed a base population projection to close MCJ safely
- The updated base population will serve as the goal
- P-Level data is used to determine how many “MH beds” are needed to depopulate and what we’ve asked several departments to estimate

He stated the path to the MCJ closure could be the County reducing the jail population to a level that enables MCJ closure by reducing in-flow and length of stay while modernizing unused facilities at Mira Loma and Pitches Detention Center (PDC) as well as adding capacity by building new county operated, non-law enforcement operated mental health treatment facilities.

Commissioner Miller noted that the Board of Supervisors (BOS) has implemented a MCJ closure team called Justice Care and Opportunities Department (JCOD) and noted it is the fourth iteration of discussion in closing MCJ, rather than taking steps to close MCJ.

Mr. Pinkney informed that the CSIT cannot commit to a timeframe to close MCJ, but by end of January 2026 can have a framework with a plan to close MCJ that includes cost and closure recommendations. Commissioner Miller stated that in March of 2021 the BOS produced a report with a plan to close MCJ and asked the CSIT team how it differs from their plans with Mr. Pinkney noting his understanding is that there are directives and a motion in place to close the MCJ.

Ms. Chidinma Ume clarified that the report in 2020 was to show the Board’s interest and commitment in closing MCJ in one year, and in that the motion established a workgroup to assist in seeing what it would take to close MCJ. Additionally, the 2021 report is the product of that workgroup. There are several reasons the closing of MCJ has stalled including not having enough data to understand what was happening on a granular level, what were the legal and clinical mechanisms to get incarcerated people out of jail, and what types of incarcerated people were in the jail. She noted in general; data was a big issue and stated the reason for going back and looking at recommendations is to determine which ones are focused on closing MCJ. Previous recommendations were broader and about systems change and the 60 recommendations in the CSIT scope have been narrowed down to decipher which should be used as a roadmap and recommended to the Board for funding. Part of the work was figuring out what is actionable, what should be prioritized, and lastly what

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implementation with designated departments should be noted that these three areas identified have been achieved.

Commissioner Miller noted that all previous plans have been a failure in the implementation of closing MCJ and asked if the physical conditions at MCJ have been surveyed by the CSIT. Mr. Pinkney stated he knows there are documents that note the concerns, but his team does not document those concerns. Commissioner Miller further expressed he feels it important for CSIT to understand the sense of urgency in closing MCJ because parts of the jail are unlivable there are inoperable doors, air quality issues, deputy safety, vermin infestation, and feces and urine identified in food when delivered to the incarcerated people.

Mr. Pinkney stating that by the end of January they will have a concrete approach rather than just options. Additionally, he will provide the SBC with the contact information needed to ensure consistent engagement with the CSIT team. Furthermore, the role of the CSIT team is to understand how to get the population down rather than looking at things that are not working within the MCJ. And that the CSIT is not rushing cases but are asking to reduce the amount of time it takes to get things done within the system and understand the sense of urgency in closing MCJ. Furthermore, they work with the public defender's office where funding can be used for resources that may be available particularly for those with mental health issues. And they are working with all teams and departments to see where improvements are needed. And noted that they have had discussions with the Department of Public Works (DPW) and other Stakeholders to see if it's possible to close Mira Loma and Pitches Detention Center. And are in discussions with the Department of Public Health (DPH) in terms of data on the number of people with substance abuse issues and those that are being referred to and treated. Also, that CSIT has visited PDC, and the other facilities.

Vice Chairperson Daggs expressed concerns on the slowdown in modernizing the facility. And expressed appreciation of the long-term strategies being put into place at MCJ by the CSIT team and felt the strategies would benefit other facilities. Commissioner Miller expressed that closing MCJ will also have a positive impact on the families that financially support incarcerated loved ones.

In person public comment was provided by Berkley Donovan, ACLU. Virtual public comment was provided by Marcela Rosa and Carolina Goodman, Chair, Committee on Criminal Justice Reform for the League of Women Voters in Greater Los Angeles. There was no written public comment.

Attachments: [CSIT Presentation](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

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5. Continued discussion on the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) - implications of Senate Bill No. 519, Chapter 306, An act to amend Section 6024 of, and to add Sections 832.10 and 6034 to, the Penal Code, relating to corrections. (25-3808)
- Allison Ganter, BSCC
  - Terrence Keel, Professor, UCLA Department of African American Studies Institute for Society and Genetics
  - Helen Jones-Phillips, Senior Campaign Lead, Dignity and Power Now
  - Max Huntsman, Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General (OIG)
  - Dara Williams, Chief Deputy, Office of the Inspector General (OIG)

**There was no discussion.**

**Attachments:** [PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

**10 MINUTE BREAK**

6. Civilian Oversight Commission (COC), Announcements and upcoming meetings, Tracy Jordan, COC. (25-3809)

**Ms. Jordan stated that the COC is hosting a virtual listening session on July 10, 2025, from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. with community members to discuss their experiences with deputy gangs and Deputy clicks and a follow up to March 7, 2023, Board Motion in which Board Members requested that qualitative data be obtained from community members on their experiences. And that a Report Back will be submitted to include community members experiences and informed that there is a survey on the COC website that will be open thru July 15, 2025, with 150 people who have responded thus far. And that anyone interested can go to the COC website to fill it out at [www.coc.lacounty.gov](http://www.coc.lacounty.gov). Lastly, that the next REGULAR meeting of the COC is scheduled for July 17, 2025, at St. Anne's with the election of COC officers for the 2025 – 2026.**

**There was no in person, virtual, or written public comment.**

**Attachments:** [PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

7. Chairperson's Report on Correspondence received.
- Update on the process to respond to public concerns, and or inquiries.
  - Reminders.
    - Next Meeting Date
      - Quorum Count
  - Month Activities. (25-3810)

**Chairperson Broder informed that the process to inform the public on concerns and inquires has changed and that an automated email reply with**

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language developed by Commissioner Veral would be generated for each inquiry sent to the SBCs inbox. She then noted a complaint received from a member of the public regarding MCJ, modules 3100 and 3300 where mail was distributed to the incorrect modules and the concern of confidentiality (refer to the supporting documents for detailed inquiry).

A discussion ensued in which the SBC decided to include the language used for the auto email reply be also added to the SBC website including on a resource tab to be built out to which additional resources could be added in the future. She then announced that the next SBC meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2025.

A brief discussion ensued regarding quorum in which it was confirmed that 6 SBC members is needed to constitute a quorum. Chair Broder announced that the July Inspection assignments were sent out. Staff informed that any delays in inspection report submissions impact the timely issuance of stipends, as well as the publishing of reports and their omission from discussion on an agenda until received. The SBC was then reminded to submit any outstanding inspection reports for inspections completed between July 1-15 by no later than July 15, and those completed between July 16-31 by no later than July 31, 2025.

There was no in person, virtual, or written public comment.

**Attachments:** [Auto Email Reply](#)  
[Mail issues in MCJ 3100 3300](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

## **II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

8. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of June 5, 2025. (25-3811)

**On motion of Commissioner Eric J. Miller, seconded by Commissioner Mary Veral with the update Lieutenant Mark Moreno's name as a part of the record with the following roll call vote:**

There was no in person, virtual, or written public comment.

**Ayes:** 6 - Chairperson Haley Broder, Commissioner Puja Bhatia, Commissioner Norma Cumpian, Commissioner Eric J. Miller, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, and Commissioner Mary Veral

**Abstentions:** 1 - Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs

**Absent:** 2 - Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

**Attachments:** [June 5, 2025 DRAFT Minutes](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

9. Discussion and take appropriate action on restructuring the SBC meeting agenda. (25-3812)

**There was no discussion.**

**Attachments:** [Agenda Restructuring Proposal](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

10. Discussion and take appropriate action on the proposed changes to the Inspection Report. (25-3813)

**Chairperson Broder reported that she, Vice Chairperson Daggs and Tracy Jordan, COC have proposed a new reporting structure for submission of inspection reports. And that the SBC website is being updated with what is within their Bylaws, focus, and scope. A brief discussion ensued on the impacts of historical context related to removal of inspection report fields, timelines and a pilot phase.**

**After discussion on motion of Chairperson Haley Broder a pilot of the proposed inspection report changes beginning August 2025, seconded by Commissioner Eric J. Miller was approved with the following roll call vote:**

**There was no in person, virtual, or written public comment.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Chairperson Haley Broder, Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, Commissioner Puja Bhatia, Commissioner Norma Cumpian, Commissioner Eric J. Miller, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, and Commissioner Mary Veral

**Absent:** 2 - Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

**Attachments:** [Inspection Report Proposed Changes](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

### **III. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Public Comment**

11. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (25-3814)

**There was no in person, virtual, or written public comment.**

**Attachments:** [PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE](#)

12. Adjournment for the Meeting of July 10, 2025. (25-3815)

**Chairperson Haley Broder adjourned the meeting of July 10, 2025 at 11:35 a.m.**