



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION'S
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<https://youthcommission.lacounty.gov>**

Monday, January 26, 2026

6:30 PM

Video for the entire meeting. (26-0511)

Attachments: [VIDEO](#)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Land Acknowledgment. (26-0472)

Joshua Elizondo, Chair, Operations Committee, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. County Staff conducted Roll Call. Executive Director, Tiara Summers, read the County's Land Acknowledgement.

Present: Chair Joshua Elizondo, Commissioner Jessica Castillo, Commissioner Martine Jones, Commissioner Clarissa Peña, and Commissioner Evelyn Karina Rodriguez

2. Approval of minutes from the regular meeting of November 17, 2025. (26-0480)

On motion of Commissioner Martine Jones, seconded by Commissioner Evelyn Karina Rodriguez, and duly carried, the minutes from the regular meeting of November 17, 2025, were approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. DISCUSSIONS

3. Discussion on video production of onboarding videos. (26-0487)

Commissioner Evelyn Karina Rodriguez reported that she has completed the second draft of the storyboard for the onboarding videos and that she is in the process of developing the animation characters. She reported that the Workgroup on this project met once a month, however, meetings will be conducted more frequently going forward. She stated that the project's completion date is anticipated between March and June 2026.

Discussion ensued regarding the timeline and the challenges in creating the animation characters, as well as aligning talking points. Commissioner Rodriguez will finalize the second draft and submit it to the Operations Committee for approval and subsequent submission to the whole Commission. Executive Director Tiara Summers thanked Commissioner Rodriguez for her effort and for taking the lead on this project.

4. Discussion on the future vacancy roadmap to address term endings and Commissioner reflections. (26-0493)

Chair Joshua Elizondo opened the floor to discussion regarding the future vacancy roadmap to address term endings and Commissioner Reflections. He stated that the reflections are meant to be intentional, compassionate, and allow for accountability. He reported that there are no current vacancies being addressed, term endings are not scheduled for the next two years, however, there are upcoming reappointments for consideration by the Board of Supervisors, and the blueprint for Commissioner Reflections is currently being considered.

Executive Director Tiara Summers suggested that the Commissioner Reflections be reviewed by the OPS Committee with feedback prior to submission to the whole Commission, and discussion ensued. The following questions and suggestions were discussed:

- **Rephrase Question No. 3 to "How do you think you've grown as a commissioner since you started, and what's one skill that you now have that you didn't have or didn't feel confident in when you began?"**
- **Rephrase Question No. 4 to "What is one goal personally, and with the Commission, that you would like to accomplish in the new term?"**
- **Reconsider Question No. 7 "What is your understanding of the role of a commissioner" to allow for clarification of a commissioner's role**

and to address areas of uncertainty.

- Rephrase Question No. 8 to "What is one intention that you want to carry with you into the next phase of your work, and how can we contribute toward that effort?" and place this question after the current Question No. 9.
- Rephrase Question No. 9 to "How do you want to continue growing as a commissioner?" and "What would help you feel more empowered in your next steps?" Make this Question No. 8 or combine questions 8 and 9.

Commissioners also suggested adding Mental Health check-in questions as follows:

- What word best describes how you're arriving today emotionally, mentally, or physically?
- What is one thing you wish staff or fellow commissioners understood about how you're doing right now?
- What support would feel meaningful for you at this moment that is practical, emotional, or community based?
- What boundaries or practice do you want to commit to for the protection of your mental health?

Discussion continued regarding the number of questions and the time frame of each Reflection Session. Additional suggestions were made:

- Add the question "What conversations or situations have been the hardest to navigate and why?"
- Consider a mechanism for commissioners to address a question not taken up during the Reflection Session.
- Include a question regarding the Reflection questions themselves to determine if the commissioners deem them helpful or if there is something missing that should be added.
- Consider eliminating or rephrasing Question No. 2. "Where do you want to go?"

III. MISCELLANEOUS

5. Opportunity for members of the public to provide comments to the Commission on item(s) not on the agenda, that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (26-0499)

Maria Skelton, member of the public, addressed the Operations Committee.

6. Adjournment. (26-0505)

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2026.

On motion Commissioner Evelyn Karina Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Jessica Castillo, there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.