



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

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Thursday, May 7, 2026

9:00AM

RECORDING FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (26-2963)

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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 (TONG+VUH), Tataviam (TAH+TAA+VEE+UM), Serrano (SUH+RAA+NOH), Kizh (KEECH), and Chumash (CHEW+MOSH) 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:

- Fernandeno (FUR+NAN+DAY+EN+YO) Tataviam (TAH+TAA+VEE+UM) Band of Mission Indians
- Gabrielino (GAB+REE+UH+LEE+NOH) Tongva (TONG+VUH) Indians of California Tribal Council
- Gabrieleno (GAB+REE+UH+LAY+NOH) Tongva (TONG+VUH) San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians
- Gabrieleño (GAB+REE+UH+LAY+EN+YO) Band of Mission Indians, Kizh (KEECH) Nation
- Yuhaaviatam (yu+HAH+vee+ah+tahm) of San Manuel Nation

San Fernando Band of Mission Indians
Coastal Band of Chumash (CHEW+MOSH) Nation
Gabrielino (GAB+REE+UH+LEE+NOH) Tongva (TONG+VUH) Nation
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To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website at anaic.lacounty.gov.

Opening Remarks Roll Call, and Introduction of New Commissioner. (26-2720)

Chairperson Haley Broder called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m. followed by the reading of the Los Angeles County Land Acknowledgement. She acknowledged a total of 17 deaths in LA County jails to date. 6 since the March 5, 2026 SBC meeting. She acknowledged the dates of the 6 deaths, the lives lost and the impact on families and community members:

- **April 2, 2026, one death at Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF)**
- **April 4, 2026, one death at Men's Central Jail (MCJ)**
- **April 10, 2026, one death at Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF)**
- **April 21, 2026, one death at Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF)**
- **April 28, 2026, one death at Men's Central Jail (MCJ)**
- **May 1, 2026, one death at Men's Central Jail (MCJ)**

Roll call was performed by Commission Staff in which an in-person quorum of members was present. Followed by Roll Call, Chairperson Broder welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Pamela Thompson-Bell who followed with a self-introduction.

Present: 6 - Haley Broder, Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, Commissioner Pamela Thompson-Bell and Commissioner Mary

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Puja Bhatia and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

I. REPORTS

2. Los Angeles County Sheriff Department (LASD) report and updates (Commander Geradette E. Montoya, LASD):
 - Follow up items from inspection reports and the last SBC meeting
 - What is the current count for 5900 dorm?
 - What is the official policy on triple bunking in dorms at MCJ?
 - We are noticing that Grievance/Medical Forms are not freely accessible in many locations at MCJ (and NCCF), but incarcerated people need to ask deputies for a form, receive one, and then return it to a deputy who will then put it in a box outside of the module. What is being done to ensure proper access to forms?
 - What is the process for follow-up of medical items after a search removes them, particularly important health and safety items, such as canes/mobility aids/inhalers?
 - Follow up on Facilities (Internal Services Decision, ISD) Contracts and the Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections (SBC) involvement
 - Follow up on the iPads/tablets Contract and Vendor
 - Update on the new dietary regulations and inspections on the new guidelines, including Number of meals for special diets
 - Update on water situation at CRDF, including how water bottles are distributed and how that is documented (26-2721)

Commander Montoya acknowledged the 17 deaths and informed that 5 were natural, 12 have pending autopsies, 11 occurred in hospitals and one occurred at North County Correctional Facility (NCCF). Dorm 5900 currently houses 74 individuals with triple-bunk capacity. The space is needed to house incarcerated individuals with special classification such as; those suffering from mental health, which is currently 49% of the population.

Commissioner Veral requested that the Population Management Bureau attend the next SBC meeting to explain why individuals suffering from mental are housed at MCJ.

Commander Montoya informed that MCJ is the only facility that houses individuals with special classifications due to its proximity to the Inmate Reception Center (IRC). Triple bunking is a matter of moving people, complying with the Rutherford decision. Currently there is no other space available. Individuals with special classification may be housed independently in a cell that can house two individuals. Grievance and medical forms can be dropped off or given to a Deputy to place in the box. Forms are in housing areas, checked each shift and replenished by Deputies. Chairperson Broder requested that the LASD provide the number of grievances submitted per week

or month at the next SBC meeting. The LASD informed there is no procedure in place to ensure grievance forms are submitted.

Immediate Past Chairperson Regalado stated that there are inconsistencies among facilities on the grievance submittal process and questioned why procedures are not instituted across all facilities.

Commander Montoya informed that the tablets should improve the grievance process. Medical devices and items such as inhalers are not removed from individuals unless modified. Prescription medication is not taken away. Issues regarding the removal of medical devices should be relayed to the Watch Commander. She provided an update on the dietary regulations and inspections guidelines and informed that there are 401 religious and lifestyle diets and 3,501 medical diets for a total of 3,902 special diets and are working with the Department of Public Health (DPH) on the new dietary regulations. There was no update on the hot meal service. She informed that water bottles are distributed at CRDF when there are plumbing issues and logged in the E-UDALs. Alerts are received from food services that water bottle distribution is in place. May 4, 2026, there was a water tank issue, a work order was submitted and plumbing was repaired. Chairperson Broder noted during the March 25, 2026, inspection water bottles were not provided, and water was observed coming out discolored. The March 30, 2026, inspection water was observed to be discolored with bugs in the drains. The LASD is looking at another biodegradable product to contain the bugs.

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

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3. Correctional Health Services (CHS) follow-ups and updates, Dr. Sean Henderson. (26-2723)

Dr. Henderson was not available, so this item was continued to the next SBC meeting without discussion.

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4. Commissioners' Reports on Detention Facilities.

- Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, and Commissioner Mary Veral
- Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF), 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, March 16, 2026
Chairperson Haley Broder, and Commissioner Puja Bhatia
 - Century Regional Detention Center (CRDF), 11705 S. Alameda St., Lynwood CA. 90262, March 25, 2026
Chairperson Haley Broder, and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones
 - Men's Central Jail (MCJ), 441 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, March 26, 2026
Chairperson Haley Broder, and Commissioner Mary Veral
 - Men's Central Jail (MCJ), 441 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, April 12, 2026
Commissioner Puja Bhatia, and Commissioner Mary Veral
 - Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF), 450 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012, April 24, 2026
Chairperson Haley Broder, and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones
 - Century Regional Detention Center (CRDF), 11705 S. Alameda St., Lynwood CA. 90262, April 30, 2026 (26-2724)

TTCF 3/16/2026 inspection: During last few inspections 5-10 Deputies observed sitting around. The control station custody assistant was informative on the high observation process of security checks in the for mentally ill individuals. A Deputy was caught sleeping at post and reported to the supervisor. Deputies informed that body worn cameras are only turned on when issues arise. The LASD to provide the policy on when body worn cameras are required to be on.

CRDF 3/25/2026 inspection: Individuals reported getting sick, worms observed in both showers, water still discolored, broken hot water pots, and medical complaints are being ignored. Reports of shower watching continues. An individual requested a mobility aid due to fear of falling and falling due to the lack of a mobility aid. PREA violations continue and multiple women have slipped due to water leaks. There was a report a deputy told a dorm that "for every non-emergency medical request form submitted, \$3.00 would be taken from the person's commissary account".

MCJ 3/26/2026 Inspection: K6G module has delayed medical care, grievance forms are ignored, water is discolored, mold and sewage present, no access to fish kits, or TVs. Received PREA concerns pertaining to transgender individuals. 4800, Row A transgender individuals (TGI) being harassed by Deputies, refusing to address individuals with the correct gender identity, and toilets do not work.

The SBC did not feel safe around the Deputies. Watch Commander was dismissive when this was reported. Hygiene kits are not available for TGIs. Deputies mocked a hunger strike. The LASD informed that Deputies forego sensitivity training in which the use of pronouns is included. The LASD to provide the sensitivity policy.

MCJ 4/12/2026 inspection: Security checks for individuals with mental health issues are quick and triple bunked. Module 5900 has medical devices being taken away from individuals, including inhalers. An individual urinated on himself due to not being allowed to use the restroom. People are falling and man down incidents take deputies two hours at times to assist. Two cameras noted watching the toilets and showers in which Deputies stated they are not operational, but the SBC confirmed they are in fact operational.

TTCF 4/24/2026 inspection: The SBC felt unsafe after the inspection. Three individuals submitted PREA complaints to a Deputy using intimidation tactics and are still working at TTCF. The LASD to report back on mental health requests accommodations.

CRDF 4/30/2026 inspection: Lots of trash, lack of cleaning supplies, trustee was observed to be overwhelmed, an individual on suicide watch was observed having a panic attack, showers had worms, standing water, discolored sink water, a person defecated on herself, sock shortage, hunger issues, hygiene kits not always available. The LASD to share the General Sanitation Policy.

Virtual public comment was provided by Hans Johnson, COC, Janet A., Dignity and Power Now, Justice Coalition, Anthony Robles, Dignity and Power Now, Justice Coalition, Marcella Rosen, Dignity and Power Now, Justice Coalition, and Saharra, private citizen. In person public comment was provided by Berkley Donovan, ACLU. There was no written public comment.

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5. Civilian Oversight Commission (COC), Announcements and upcoming meetings, Tracy Jordan, COC. (26-2729)
- Hans Johnson spoke on the success of the April 9, 2026, forum and recognized Chairperson Broder for her participation, noting that the in-custody deaths forums will continue to be an emphasis for the COC. He flagged the mounting use of meet and confer negotiations by the county and the conflicted status of county council in its role providing legal advice to our commissions while simultaneously providing council to the LASD. And that at the April 16, 2026, COC meeting a unanimous resolution was approved that laid out recent events on failure to comply with subpoenas and use of force cases. He recommended the SBC to review the March 26, 2026, Court of Appeals ruling on Sonoma County's Sheriff's act to defy subpoenas by the Oversight Commission and how it was overturned to have the Sheriff's department comply. He then announced the next meeting of the COC is on May 21, 2026.**

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

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6. Chairperson's Report on Correspondence received and monthly activities:
- Update on April 2026 in-Custody Deaths Forum hosted by COC
 - Reminders and Commission's Assignments
 - Next Meeting: June 4, 2026.
 - Next Meeting Quorum Count
 - Month Activities (26-2796)

Chairperson Broder informed that the in-Custody Death forum on April 9, 2026 was a success and thanked the COC for hosting the meeting. May assignments were sent out, and the SBC was encouraged to coordinate on conducting inspections. June 4, 2026, is the next SBC meeting. Commissioner Terrones will serve as back up to Commissioner Bhatia's on the LASD follow-ups. Immediate Past Chairperson Regalado and Commissioner Veral will attend COC meetings in Commissioner Hennigan Ohanesian absence. Chairperson Broder asked the SBC to notify her when they are unable to complete inspections as there are other assignments that can be delegated. Lastly it was announced that the COC has expressed interest in performing inspections with SBC commissioners.

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

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II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7. Receive and file the Minutes for the meeting of February 5, 2026. (26-2797)

Items 7, 8, and 9 were received and filed at the same time. On motion of Chairperson Haley Broder, seconded by Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs this item passed with the following roll call vote:

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

Ayes: 6 - Chairperson Haley Broder, Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, Commissioner Pamela Thompson-Bell and Commissioner Mary Veral

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Puja Bhatia and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

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8. Receive and file the Minutes for the meeting of January 8, 2026. (26-2798)

Items 7, 8, and 9 were received and filed at the same time. On motion of Chairperson Haley Broder, seconded by Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs this item passed with the following roll call vote:

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

Ayes: 6 - Chairperson Haley Broder, Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs, Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, Commissioner Joahanna Terrones, Commissioner Pamela Thompson-Bell and Commissioner Mary Veral

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Puja Bhatia and Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian

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9. Receive and file the Minutes for the meeting of March 5, 2026. (26-2799)

Items 7, 8, and 9 were received and filed at the same time. On motion of Chairperson Haley Broder, seconded by Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs this item passed with the following roll call vote:

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

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10. Discussion and possible action regarding the Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections' position advocating for the closure of Men's Central Jail (MCJ) and its opposition to the development or expansion of any new jail facility. (26-2800)

Chairperson Haley Broder affirmatively motioned to close Men's Central Jail (MCJ) with no new replacement, seconded by Commissioner Mary Veral this item passed with the following roll call vote:

Virtual public comment provided by Marcella Rosen, Dignity in Power, Justice Coalition, Anthony Robles, Dignity in Power, Justice Coalition, Janet A., Dignity in Power, Justice Coalition, Vanessa Perez, member of Justice LA. In person public comment provided by Berkley Donovan, ACLU.

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11. Update, Discussion and Appropriate Action on the February 3, 2026, Board Motion: "Addressing Water Quality and Safety and Other Hazardous Environmental Issues in the Los Angeles County Jails" Board Motion. (26-2802)

Chairperson Broder took items 11, 12, and 13 together as they are all pertaining to board motions that impact the work of the SBC. Regarding the "Addressing Water Quality and Safety and Other Hazardous Environmental Issues in the Los Angeles County Jails" Board Motion. She confirmed that this board motion requires the SBC to complete a report back due in 90 days, on June 4, 2026, in which the SBC asked that staff request an extension to ensure the SBC can meet prior to the report due date for approval. And need someone to write the report. And asked that the write pull using the environmental aspects found in the reports to include in the report. Commissioner Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian and Commissioner Joahanna Terrones will write the report and Chairperson Broder will support any final editing. The SBC will include the clarity on what was checked "which was actually noting". And highlighting that as with many issues that the SBC sees that the deputies where with all notice it and follow up on it as a response to fix it. As well as noting that the LASD does not drink the water affirmatively and we they bring their whole water in.

There was no in person, virtual or written public comment for items 11, 12, or 13.

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12. Discussion and Action on the March 3, 2026, Board Motion, “Strengthening Accountability to Significantly Decrease Jail Deaths in the Los Angeles County Jails.” (26-2828)

Chairperson Broder took items 11, 12, and 13 together as they are all pertaining to board motions that impact the work of the SBC. Regarding the March 3, 2026, Board Motion: “Strengthening Accountability to Significantly Decrease Jail Deaths in the Los Angeles County Jails. Chairperson Broder confirmed that there is no report back on this motion. And the SBCs role in this board motion during inspections to continue to monitor to look into what has been happening as whole. Acknowledged that SBC does not have access to the CAPs, or any information about the jail deaths besides what is publicly available. After a brief discussion the SBC concluded that as they continue to monitor and document that they will also continue to provide the Board of Supervisors and Justice Deputies with their findings and updates on deaths in the jails during their quarterly meetings, cluster meetings, SBC meetings and so forth. As well as disseminating the information to the body the first week of each month.

There was no in person, virtual or written public comment for items 11, 12, or 13.

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13. Discussion on the April 7, 2026, Board Motion, “Reducing Harm for Transgender, Gender-Diverse, and Intersex (TGI) People Who Are Incarcerated in the Los Angeles County Jails.” (26-2829)

Chairperson Broder took items 11, 12, and 13 together as they are all pertaining to board motions that impact the work of the SBC. Regarding the April 7, 2026, Board Motion, “Reducing Harm for Transgender, Gender-Diverse, and Intersex (TGI) People Who Are Incarcerated in the Los Angeles County Jails”. Chairperson Broder was pleased that the Board is looking at the SBC reports and taking action on the report findings. Although there is no report back on this motion the SBCs role is to work with the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) and engage with the incarcerated TGI people quarterly about the access and application of policies and procedures impacting the TGI people. The OIG will report back on who the OIG contact is on this board motion and connect that individual with the SBC. And perhaps at a future meeting create an ad hoc committee to work on this board motion.

There was no in person, virtual or written public comment for items 11, 12, or 13.

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14. Discussion, review and possible action on the SBC goals continued from the January 8, 2026, meeting.
1. Engage entities responsible for enforcement of existing State/County standards for humane and constitutional conditions inside the county jails, including:
 - a. Department of Health Services (DHS) and Correctional Health Services (CHS)
 - b. Civilian Oversight Commission (COC)
 - c. Board of State and Community Corrections
 - d. Jail Closure Implementation Team
 - e. Court lock ups and Court leadership
 2. Monitoring quality of access, treatment, and outcomes related to medical care and mental health care.
 - a. Underlying causes of in-custody deaths deemed natural by the Medical Examiner.
 - b. Regular meetings with the Department of Health Services and Correctional Health Services (CHS)
 - c. Monitor mental health patient rights and access to mental health services.
 3. Seeking feedback and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on areas of concern regarding the closure of Men's Central Jail (MCJ) and implementation of the Care First, Jail Last plan as it impacts jail conditions and community capacity.
 4. Evaluate expansion and target programming in the jails, including access, retention, and outcomes of programming.
 5. Periodic direct engagement with the Board of Supervisors on areas of concern.
 6. Conduct periodic self-assessment of the commission's impact on jail conditions to determine the extent at which we may need to advocate for changes to statute. (26-2803)

Chairperson Broder took this item off the calendar noting that it is related to item 15 of the agenda.

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15. Discussion and Possible Action on the 2025 SBC Annual Report. (26-2804)

Chairperson Broder thanked those members who worked on the report. And the SBC agreed to identify and include the 2025 SBC members on the report. Vice Chairperson Wynter Daggs motioned to approve the 2025 annual report, seconded by Immediate Past Chairperson Raymond Regalado, this item passed with the following roll call vote:

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

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III. MISCELLANEOUS

Public Comment

16. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (26-2805)

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

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Adjournment

17. Adjournment for the Meeting of May 7, 2026. (26-2806)

Chairperson Haley Broder noted that the following will be sent to the LASD.

- **LASD to send general sanitation policy to support understanding the state of cells**
- **LASD to send policy of use of proper pronouns**
- **LASD to send requirements to be a trustee**
- **LASD to send policy of when body worn cameras should be used**
- **LASD to send data on number of grievances received**
- **LASD to follow up on TTCF PREA case and mental health assistance**

Then adjourned the meeting of May 7, 2026, at 12:12 p.m.