



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

Monday, June 8, 2026

6:30 PM

Video for the entire meeting. (26-2765)

Attachments: [Video](#)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Land Acknowledgement. (26-2766)

YEC Chair Amanda Hernandez called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m. County staff conducted Roll Call and confirmed an in-person quorum. YEC Chair Hernandez read the County's Land Acknowledgement.

Commissioner Mercedes Jackson requested remote attendance under SB 707, due to illness, and confirmed that no one over the age of 18 was present.

Present: Commissioner Amanda Hernandez, Commissioner Mercedes Jackson, Commissioner Clarissa Peña and Commissioner Joseph Roa

2. Approval of minutes from the meeting of May 11, 2026. (26-2767)

On motion of Commissioner Joseph Roa, seconded by Commissioner Mercedes Jackson, and duly carried, the motion to approve the minutes failed by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Commissioner Amanda Hernandez and Commissioner Mercedes Jackson

Abstentions: 2 - Commissioner Clarissa Peña and Commissioner Joseph Roa

The action was reconsidered and on motion of Commissioner Joseph Roa, seconded by Commissioner Mercedes Jackson, and duly carried, the minutes from the meeting of May 11, 2026, were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Commissioner Amanda Hernandez, Commissioner Mercedes Jackson and Commissioner Joseph Roa

Abstentions: 1 - Commissioner Clarissa Peña

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. DISCUSSIONS

3. Discussion on upcoming listening sessions and exploring engagement strategies. (26-2769)

YEC Chair Amanda Hernandez opened the discussion with an update on the Fifth District Listening Session, noting that the event will focus on mental health, education, and employment. She shared that, in collaboration with Calibrate, the session will feature workshops such as Addressing the But, 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, and A Roadmap to Stability. While the location is still pending, the goal is to host the event at the Boys and Girls Club in Pasadena. YEC Chair Hernandez added that the event will include a resource fair to address questions and provide a safe space for youth, and the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) has been asked to table at the event.

Commissioner Mercedes Jackson reported that there were no updates yet for the Second District Listening Session, though the planned focus areas include mental health, education, and housing.

Executive Director (ED) Tia Summers provided additional updates on the Fifth District Listening Session, noting that DEO will present its youth program at the next Youth Commission (YC) meeting later this month. ED Summers also shared that she has been in contact with Compton Youth Build and will be meeting with them soon.

YEC Chair Hernandez concluded the discussion by reminding commissioners of the upcoming July events, including the listening sessions and the DCFS ILP graduation. She also encouraged commissioners to bring ideas to the Mid-Year Retreat taking place Saturday, June 13, 2026.

4. Discussion on planning for the YEC End-Year Event. (26-2768)

Dan Wheeler, YC Staff, presented an update on the survey data collection. He reported that a total of 1,064 surveys have been collected to date and that the data currently available is based on 402 responses, as additional surveys are still being entered into the system. Mr. Wheeler provided a brief overview of the survey questions and the preliminary results.

Committee members expressed appreciation to the YC staff for their efforts and noted that the survey information will be valuable in identifying key topics to address during upcoming listening sessions, as well as in planning for the End-Year Event.

ED Summers added that staff will continue to provide updated results as more surveys are processed, emphasizing that the findings may change once all data has been entered. ED Summers shared that she has been reviewing activities and practices from the past two years to help inform and strengthen planning for the upcoming YEC End-Year Event. As part of this planning framework, she outlined four key pillars that will guide the structure and focus of the event:

- Pillar 1 – Demographics**
- Pillar 2 – District Presentation**
- Pillar 3 – Standard Questions**
- Pillar 4 – Group Activity, focusing on entertainment, housing, safe spaces, and community belonging.**

Sherry Bradford, member of the public, addressed the Committee.

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. (26-2770)

No members of the public addressed the Committee.

6. Adjournment. (26-2771)

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

On motion of Commissioner Mercedes Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Clarissa Peña, there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.