



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

9:30 AM

Present: Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn,
Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Video Link for the Entire Meeting (03-1075)

Attachments: [Video Transcript](#)

Invocation led by Bishop Royce Hanamaikai, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Saugus (5).

Pledge of Allegiance led by Steve Ramos, former E-4, United States Navy, East Los Angeles (1).

I. PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of scroll to Carlos Clayton, after 42 years of County Service, as arranged by the Chair.

Presentation of scroll to the UCLA Bruins women's gymnastics, a seven-time NCAA championship program, in recognition of its continued national excellence, including a third-place finish in the 2026 NCAA semifinal, honoring its contributions to student-athlete success and community pride across Los Angeles County, as arranged by Supervisor Horvath.

Presentation of scroll to the Conservation Corps of Long Beach, in honor of "Earth Month," in recognition of their mission to support young people with workforce development through environmental projects and educational opportunities for 39 years, as arranged by Supervisor Hahn.

Presentation of scroll to Santos Kreimann, in recognition of his retirement as CEO of LACERA, as arranged by Supervisors Barger and Solis.

Presentation of scrolls to Dr. Andre Panossian, Ara Magdessian, and Vahe Kuzoyan, in honor of "Armenian History Month," as arranged by Supervisor Barger.

Presentation of scroll to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, in recognition of 40 years of service championing youth workforce development, community empowerment, and environmental stewardship, as arranged by Supervisor Solis.

Presentation of scrolls honoring Young Environmental Champions in the Second District, as arranged by Supervisor Mitchell. (26-2288)

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS 1 - 3**1. Hearing on Ordinance Amending County Code, Title 5 - Personnel**

Hearing on ordinance for adoption amending County Code, Title 5 - Personnel, to make changes to Civil Service Rules 2, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11. **(Department of Human Resources)** (Continued from the meeting of 3-24-26) (26-1478)

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Lisa Garrett, Director of Personnel, responded to questions posed by the Board. Rodney Collins, Chief Deputy Director, Johan Julin, Assistant Director, and David Morfin, Senior Human Resources Manager, Department of Human Resources, were also present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Adam Saccowitz and Ali A. addressed the Board. Correspondence was received.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Mitchell, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, the Board closed the public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 2026-0011, entitled, "This ordinance amends Title 5 – Personnel of the Los Angeles County Code to make changes to Civil Service Rules 2, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11." This ordinance shall take effect on May 28, 2026.

Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Ordinance](#)
 [Certified Ordinance](#)
 [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)
 [Audio](#)

2. Hearing on the Levying of Annual Assessments for County Lighting Districts for Fiscal Year 2026-27

Hearing on the levying of annual assessments in County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1 (CLD LLA-1) (All Districts) for continued street lighting purposes for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27, at the same rate as FY 2025-26, for all 14 zones, which include the unincorporated area and 13 cities (Agoura Hills, Bell Gardens, Calabasas, Carson, Diamond Bar, La Cañada-Flintridge, La Mirada, Lawndale, Lomita, Paramount, Malibu, Rolling Hills Estates, and Walnut), in the FY 2026-27 Engineer's Report, and on a resolution confirming the diagram and assessment and order the levying of assessments in CLD LLA-1. Find that property tax assessment revenues collected from benefited properties will meet operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements, purchase supplies, equipment, or materials, and provide funds for capital improvement projects, including construction of additional streetlights and the repair and replacement of obsolete equipment with new, modern equipment necessary for the proper operation of lighting facilities. **(Department of Public Works) (26-2029)**

The Department of Public Works submitted a written statement for the record.

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Steve Burger, Deputy Director, Public Works was present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Ali addressed the Board. No correspondence was received.

On motion of Supervisor Hahn, seconded by Supervisor Barger, the Board closed the public hearing and took the following actions:

- 1. Authorized changes, if needed, any of the matters provided in the Engineer's Report, including changes the improvements, any zones within County Lighting District Landscaping and Lighting Act-1, (CLD LLA-1), the diagram showing the district boundaries, and the proposed assessment as described in the Engineer's Report;**
- 2. Made a determination to levy assessments in any amount not to exceed the recommended amounts listed in the Engineer's Report for each assessment zone;**
- 3. Adopted a resolution confirming the diagram and assessment, and ordering of assessments in CLD LL Act-1 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27, either as originally proposed or as changed by the Board. The adoption of the resolution shall constitute the levy of annual assessments in CLD LLA-1 for FY 2026-27;**

4. Made a finding that the property tax and assessment revenues collected from benefited properties will meet operating expenses and financial reserve needs and requirements, purchase supplies, equipment, or materials, provide funds for capital improvement projects, including the construction of additional streetlights and the repair and replacement of obsolete equipment with new, modern equipment necessary for the proper operation of lighting facilities in accordance with the provisions of the Improvement Act of 1911 and the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972; and in the amounts shown for each maintenance District and assessment zone listed in Appendix E of the FY 2026-27 Engineer's Report; and
5. Made a determination that it is just and equitable and in the public's interest that the additional costs for the installation and maintenance of additional lights be charged to the existing Districts as a whole in FY 2026-27, pursuant to Section 5843.5 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Board Letter](#)
[Department Statement](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)
[Audio](#)

3. Hearing on Resolution to Authorize a Fee Increase for Recording Real Estate Instruments

Hearing on adoption of resolution to authorize an increase to the fee for recording any real estate instrument, paper, or notice, from \$5 to \$10, with the funds to be placed in the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund to be used for the exclusive purpose of deterring, investigating, and prosecuting real estate fraud crimes. **(District Attorney) (26-2263)**

All persons wishing to testify were sworn in by the Executive Officer of the Board. Joseph M. Nicchitta, Interim Chief Executive Officer, Kellyjean Chun, Head Deputy, and Karen Nishita, Deputy District Attorney, District Attorney's Office, responded to questions posed by the Board. Lidia Youseff, Assistant Administrative Deputy, and Godfrey Gozos, Departmental Finance Manager II, District Attorney's Office, were also present. Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. Ali A. addressed the Board. No correspondence was received.

Supervisor Solis directed the Interim Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Director of Consumer and Business Affairs and the District Attorney, to report back to the Board with legislative proposals related to "death deeds" and the disproportionate impacts on immigrant and limited English proficient families, and protections, including the analysis of applicable laws.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Barger, seconded by Supervisor Hahn, the Board closed the public hearing and adopted the resolution authorizing an increase to the fee for recording any real estate instrument, paper, or notice, from \$5 to \$10, with the funds to be placed in the Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Trust Fund to be used for the exclusive purpose of deterring, investigating, and prosecuting real estate fraud crimes.

Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Board Letter](#)
[Report](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)
[Audio](#)

III. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 4 - 7**County Operations****4. County Code, Title 5 - Personnel Ordinance Amendment**

Recommendation: Approve an ordinance amending County Code, Title 5 - Personnel, to temporarily amend Civil Service Rules 2, 4, 12, 18, and 26 for the duration of the Probation Department emergency to assist the Probation Department in adequately managing its employees in Probation sworn classifications to maintain a safe environment for youth during the staffing shortage; grant the Director of Personnel authority over disciplining sworn classifications in the department; and add a definition to specify what positions are affected by the rule revisions. **(County Counsel)** (Relates to Agenda No. 8)
(Continued from the meeting of 3-24-26) (26-1872)

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Hahn, this item was continued to June 23, 2026.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Board Letter](#)
[Revised Board Letter](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

5. January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events Bi-Weekly Emergency Contracts Report

Recommendation: Review the emergency actions ordered and taken by the Director of Internal Services, under delegated authority by the Board, acting as both the County and the Governing Body of various districts, under Board Order No. 13-C of January 28, 2025, to respond to and recover from the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events, including the Palisades Fire, Eaton Fire, Hurst Fire, Kenneth Fire, and multiple other fires (LA County Fires) (1, 3 and 5) including actions enumerated in the aforementioned authorities (Actions), without giving notice for bids to let contracts, and determine that there is a need to continue the emergency Actions; find that there is substantial evidence that the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events continue to constitute an emergency pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050, which requires that immediate action be taken to cleanup and reconstruct public property, buildings, facilities, and infrastructure because the emergency does not permit the delay resulting from a formal competitive solicitation of bids and/or proposals to procure construction, materials, equipment and services for projects and initiatives necessary to respond to and recover from the LA County Fires; and find that authority should, therefore, continue to be delegated to the Director of Internal Services to amend or extend and supplement existing as-needed or on-call contracts without giving notice for bids to let contracts related to facilities and related support services, and to award new contracts for response to and recovery from the LA County Fires, and such contracts should be issued because they are necessary to respond to the emergency. **(Internal Services Department)**

4-VOTES (25-1148)

On motion of Supervisor Mitchell, seconded by Supervisor Barger, this item was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Board Letter](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

Community Services**6. January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events Bi-Weekly Emergency Contracts Report**

Recommendation: Review the emergency actions ordered and taken by the Director of Public Works, under delegated authority by the Board, acting as both the County and the Governing Body of various Districts, under Board Order No. 13-C of January 28, 2025, to respond and recover from the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events, including the Palisades Fire, Eaton Fire, Hurst Fire, Kenneth Fire, and multiple other fires (LA County Fires) (3 and 5), and actions to repair or replace public facilities, actions directly related and immediately required by the emergency, and actions to procure the necessary equipment, services and supplies for such purposes (Actions), without giving notice for bids to let contracts, and determine that there is a need to continue the emergency Actions. Take the following actions: **(Department of Public Works)**

4-VOTES

Find that there is substantial evidence that the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Fire Events continue to constitute an emergency pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050, which requires that immediate action be taken to cleanup and reconstruct public property, buildings, facilities, and infrastructure because the emergency does not permit the delay resulting from a formal competitive solicitation of bids to procure construction services for projects necessary to respond to and recover from the LA County Fires.

Find that authority should, therefore, continue to be delegated to the Director of Public Works to amend or extend and supplement existing as-needed or on-call contracts without giving notice for bids to let contracts, and to award new contracts for response to and recovery from the LA County Fires, and such contracts should be issued because they are necessary to respond to the emergency. (25-1149)

On motion of Supervisor Mitchell, seconded by Supervisor Barger, this item was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Board Letter](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

Public Safety**7. Report on the Status of the Probation Department**

Report by the Chief Probation Officer on the status of the Probation Department, including efforts to bring Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall into compliance, as requested at the Board Meeting of January 14, 2025. (Continued from the meeting of 2-24-26) (25-0858)

Roy Humphreys and Francisco Juarez addressed the Board.

Guillermo Viera Rosa, Chief Probation Officer, made a presentation and responded to questions posed by the Board. Joseph M. Nicchitta, Interim Chief Executive Officer, Sheila Williams, Chief Deputy, Administrative Services, Robert N. Arcos, Deputy Director, Campus Safety and Security Operations, Probation Department, Rimmi Hundal, Chief Deputy Director, and Kyla Coates, Senior Director, Department of Mental Health, also responded to questions.

Supervisor Horvath instructed the Chief Probation Officer to include, in the next presentation to the Board, clearly defined success metrics, along with information identifying the number of Department personnel specifically assigned to youth decarceration efforts, including release, alternative placements, and diversion, as well as the number of staff who have been reassigned or deployed to support these functions.

After discussion, by Common Consent, there being no objection, the report was received and filed.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Report](#)
 [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

IV. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION 8**8. County Code, Title 5 - Personnel Ordinance Amendment**

Ordinance for introduction amending County Code, Title 5 - Personnel, to temporarily amend Civil Service Rules 2, 4, 12, 18, and 26 for the duration of the Probation Department emergency to assist Probation in adequately managing its employees in Probation sworn classifications to maintain a safe environment for youth during the staffing shortage; grant the Director of Personnel authority over disciplining sworn classifications in the department; and add a definition to specify what positions are affected by the rule revisions. (Relates to Agenda No. 4)
(Continued from the meeting of 3-24-26) (26-1873)

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Supervisor Hahn, this item was continued to June 23, 2026.

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Mitchell, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Hahn, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Solis

Attachments: [Ordinance](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

V. CLOSED SESSION MATTERS FOR APRIL 28, 2026**CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

The People of the State of California, ex rel. Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California vs. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 21STCV01309.

In open session, this item was continued to May 19, 2026. (23-1790)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Raul Gutierrez, et al. v. Los Angeles County Probation Department, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 24STCV06193.

In open session, this item was continued to May 19, 2026. (24-3888)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Probation Department v. Board of State and Community Corrections, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 25STCP01415.

In open session, this item was continued to May 19, 2026. (25-2331)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

John (LOJHK) Doe by and through his Guardian Ad Litem Katheryn Godbolt Jones v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 25NWCV00448.

In open session, this item was continued to May 19, 2026. (25-3056)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (three cases).

In open session, one case was continued to May 5, 2026; one case was continued to May 19, 2026; and there was no reportable action taken on one case. (25-1458)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-6. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

Consideration of candidate(s) for the position of Chief Executive Officer

The Board selected a final candidate for the position of Chief Executive Officer and instructed the Director of Personnel to negotiate a salary and execute an at-will employment contract, which is approved as to form by the County Counsel, subsequent to approval of an annual salary by the Board of Supervisors. The vote of the Board was unanimous, with all Supervisors present. (26-2129)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-7. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

Director of Arts and Culture

No reportable action was taken. (26-2504)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-8. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

Director of Health Services

No reportable action was taken. (26-2505)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-9. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

Chief Probation Officer
Director of Health Services
Director of Mental Health
Director of Public Health
Director of Internal Services
Director of Youth Development
Director of Personnel
Superintendent of Schools of the Los Angeles County Office of Education

In open session, this item was continued to May 19, 2026. (24-3887)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

CS-10. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Joseph M. Nicchitta, Interim Chief Executive Officer and designated staff.

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: All individual member unions of the Coalition of County Unions, AFL CIO; SEIU, Local 721; All affiliated member unions of SEIU; All affiliated member unions of AFSCME Council 36; Los Angeles County Deputy Public Defenders Union; Program Managers Association; Child Support Attorneys; Supervising Child Support Officers; and Probation Directors.

In open session, this item was continued one week to May 12, 2026. (25-1693)

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

Report of Closed Session (CSR-26)

Attachments: [Audio Report of Closed Session 4/28/26](#)

VI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT 9

9. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

Roy Humphreys, P.A. Brown, David Razo, Francisco Juarez, Harriet Elliot, Leroy Gorham, and Stephanie Johnson addressed the Board. Interested person(s) also submitted written testimony. (26-2695)

Attachments: [PublicComment/Correspondence](#)
[Audio](#)

VII. ADJOURNMENTS 10

10. On motions duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned in the memory of the following persons:

Supervisor Mitchell and All members of the Board

Daisy M. Newsom

Reginal E. Flowers, Sr.

Supervisor Horvath

Spencer C. Evans

James F. Mills

Supervisor Hahn

Wilma Oppenheim

Supervisor Barger and All Members of the Board

Steven Szalay

Supervisors Barger and Solis

Sue Zhang

Supervisor Barger

Karl Bauer

Mark Ronald Putnam (26-2696)

Closing 11

11. Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 12:57 p.m. following general public comment:

CS-5

Confer with legal counsel on anticipated litigation, pursuant to (Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case).

CS-6

Public Employment, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Consideration of candidate(s) for the position of Chief Executive Officer

CS-7

Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Director of Arts and Culture

CS-8

Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Director of Health Services

CS-10

Confer with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Joseph M. Nicchitta, Interim Chief Executive Officer and designated staff.

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: All individual member unions of the Coalition of County Unions, AFL CIO; SEIU, Local 721; All affiliated member unions of SEIU; All affiliated member unions of AFSCME Council 36; Los Angeles County Deputy Public Defenders Union; Program Managers Association; Child Support Attorneys; Supervising Child Support Officers; and Probation Directors.

Closed Session convened at 12:58 p.m. Present were Supervisors Holly J. Mitchell, Lindsey P. Horvath, Janice Hahn, Kathryn Barger, and Hilda L. Solis, Chair presiding.

Closed Session adjourned at 3:30 p.m. Present were Supervisors Holly J. Mitchell, Lindsey P. Horvath, Janice Hahn, Kathryn Barger, and Hilda L. Solis, Chair presiding.

Open Session reconvened at 3:31 p.m. for the purpose of reporting actions taken in Closed Session. Present were Supervisors Holly J. Mitchell, Lindsey P. Horvath, Janice Hahn, Kathryn Barger, and Hilda L. Solis, Chair presiding.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts, adjourned its meeting at 3:32 p.m. Present were Supervisors Holly J. Mitchell, Lindsey P. Horvath, Janice Hahn, Kathryn Barger, and Hilda L. Solis, Chair presiding.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. (26-2764)

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the public hearing meeting held April 28, 2026, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Edward Yen, Executive Officer
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

By



Leydi Evangelista, Chief
Board Services Division