



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT**

The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda Street Los Angeles, CA 90012
Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 2:00 P.M.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgment

Supervisor Kathryn Barger called the Executive Committee for Regional Homeless Alignment's inaugural meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and also recited the Land Acknowledgment.

Rhonda Rangel, Assistant Division Chief, Commission Services Division, Executive Office of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, conducted the roll. The following Committee Members were present/absent:

Present: Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Senior Advisor Hafsa Kaka, Councilmember Paige Kaluderovic, Councilmember Richard Loa, Mayor Ariel Pe, and Mayor Becky A. Shevlin

Absent: Mayor Karen Bass

Vacant: City of Los Angeles Council Member

2. Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and Vision Setting

Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Horvath welcomed the Executive Committee Members including attendees and provided background on the establishment of the Committee, which is to create a unified, regional plan on homelessness.

Introduction of Executive Committee Members

Each Executive Committee Member provided a self-introduction and opening remarks.

II. INITIAL DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion and Action to Select Interim Chair

Aleen Langton, Principal Deputy County Counsel, Social Services Division, facilitated the election of the Executive Committee Interim Chair and explained that the person chosen as Interim Chair will hold the position only until the Committee's Bylaws are passed and approved. Ms. Langton opened nominations from the floor.

Supervisor Horvath nominated Supervisor Barger as Interim Chair. Supervisor Barger accepted. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

No members of the public addressed the Executive Committee.

On motion of Supervisor Horvath, seconded by Mayor Shevlin, Supervisor Barger was designated Interim Chair of the Executive Committee.

Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7- Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Senior Advisor Hafsa Kaka, Councilmember Paige Kaluderovic, Councilmember Richard Loa, Mayor Ariel Pe, and Mayor Becky A. Shevlin

Absent: 1 - Mayor Karen Bass

Vacant: 1- City of Los Angeles Council Member

III. PRESENTATIONS

4. Executive Committee and Leadership Table Overview

Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness

Mayor Becky Shevlin provided an overview on the findings and recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH), including Recommendation #7 — to establish an Executive Level Action Team.

Attachments: [Supporting Documents](#)

Executive Committee Overview

Cheri Todoroff, Executive Director, CEO Homeless Initiative, shared an overview of the May 3, 2022 motion in which the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved adopting of the BRCH report recommendations.

Fesia Davenport, Chief Executive Officer, LA County reported on a case study trip to Houston in September of 2022, organized in conjunction with the Center for Strategic Partnerships and sponsored by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation and the Weingart Foundation, during which the County CEO and five City Managers studied Houston’s efforts to address homelessness, including its regional governance structure.

Ms. Todoroff then provided an overview of the BRCH report back to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on May 12, 2023, which included a recommendation to establish an Executive Committee made up of elected officials from cities and LA County, and a Leadership Table convened by philanthropy and composed of a diverse group of stakeholders. An August 8, 2023 motion approved by the Board directed the CEO to establish both bodies. Lastly, Ms. Todoroff went over the Executive Committee’s role.

Leadership Table Overview

Miguel Santana, President & CEO of California Community Foundation appeared remotely and Peter Laugharn, President & CEO of the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation addressed the Executive Committee on his behalf. Mr. Laugharn expressed the philanthropy’s support of the establishment of the Leadership Table and the Committee’s work and commitment to the Leadership Table working in collaboration with the Committee Members.

Attachments: [Supporting Documents](#)

- 5. Review of Brown Act
Norayr Zurabyan, Senior Deputy County Counsel, Board Liaison Division, presented an overview of the Ralph M. Brown Act.**

Supervisor Horvath stated for the record that quorum is determined by the number of seats that exist, not by the number of Committee Members present.

Mr. Zurabyan advised rather that until Bylaws are established, quorum should be considered when the majority of members are present at a Committee meeting.

Attachments: [Supporting Documents](#)

6. Citizens' Initiative Overview and Timeline

Aleen Langton, Principal Deputy County Counsel, Social Services Division

Ms. Langton presented an overview and timeline of a proposed November 2024 citizen's initiative being presented by LA County voters. The measure would enact a 1/2-cent transaction and use tax ("sales tax") to fund Los Angeles County homeless services and the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHS). The measure would repeal Measure H (1/4-cent sales tax set to expire in 2027).

Councilmember Loa asked whether a committee would be established to promote the initiative. Ms. Langton said she did not think there would be a committee, and that County Counsel would confirm.

Supervisor Horvath asked the date by which signatures need to be collected for the initiative to qualify for the ballot. Ms. Langton clarified it is 180 days from when signature collection started, and that County Counsel would confirm the exact date.

Interim Chair Barger noted that the Executive Committee needs clarification on the official name of the initiative.

Mayor Shevlin commented that the measure, if passed, would go above the tax cap of many cities.

IV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

**7. Discussion and Action to Establish Executive Committee Meeting Schedule
Interim Chair Barger proposed that the Committee meet once a month for at least 12 months. Supervisor Horvath seconded.**

No members of the public addressed the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee will meet monthly for its first 12 months. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Senior Advisor Hafsa Kaka, Councilmember Paige Kaluderovic, Councilmember Richard Loa, Mayor Ariel Pe, and Mayor Becky A. Shevlin

Absent: 1 - Mayor Karen Bass

Interim Chair Barger asked that the Executive Office provide ongoing meeting support for subsequent Executive Committee meetings.

8. Executive Committee Bylaws

Ms. Langton stated that County Counsel will prepare draft Bylaws and disseminate to Committee Members for discussion, changes, and approval before the next meeting.

Interim Chair Barger confirmed with Committee Members that The California Endowment is a suitable location for future meetings.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

9. Matters Not Posted

There were no matters presented.

10. General Public Comment

Members of the Public (in-person attendees) Lourdes Castro Ramírez, Chief Housing and Homelessness Officer for Mayor Bass and Diana Jimenez, Program Officer, Housing Justice, The Weingart Foundation, addressed the Executive Committee.

11. Adjournment

Interim Chair Barger thanked everyone for participating in the Executive Committee's inaugural meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:19 p.m