



**County of Los Angeles
LGBTQ+ Commission,
Community Engagement
Standing Subcommittee
(CESS)**

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12127 ELLIOT AVE
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February 27, 2025

5:30 PM

AUDIO: [AUDIO LINK](#)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order, Roll Call.

Chair Plascencia called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Annie Patpatian, administrative staff, called the roll.

A quorum was established with three (3) members present of (4) total members.

Present: Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers and Commissioner Nic Arnzen

Absent: Commissioner Eddie Martinez

2. Land Acknowledgement

Sunitha Menon, Executive Director, read the Los Angeles County Land Acknowledgment.

3. Approval of December 12, 2024 Minutes.

On motion of Commissioner Arnzen, seconded by Vice Chair Rogers, this item was moved for approval with no amendments.

No members of the public addressed the CESS on this item.

After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers and Commissioner Nic Arnzen

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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II. DISCUSSIONS

4. Discuss and take possible action on discharging the CESS.

Chair Plascencia opened the floor for discussion on this item specifically regarding the important question of whether we are effectively engaging community.

After discussion, on motion by Vice Chair Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Arnzen the CESS will not be discharged.

Member of the public Camila Cameleon addressed the CESS on this item. After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers and Commissioner Nic Arnzen

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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5. Discuss and take possible action on identifying, participating in, and leading community events, such as, discussing engagement guidelines, community listening sessions, community meetings, town halls, and/or community summits.

Chair Plascencia opened the floor for discussion regarding key stakeholder engagement efforts and community engagement moving forward, based on the existing work and partnerships.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Arnzen seconded by Vice Chair Rogers to have Commissioner Rogers create engagement guidelines and talking points about how commissioners discuss the work of the Commission for review.

No members of the public addressed the CESS on this item.

After public comment, the motion passed with the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers and Commissioner Nic Arnzen

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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6. Discuss and take possible action on the LGBTQ+ Community Organization tracking sheet and review and provide feedback on the Resource Document from the LA Civil Rights Department.

Chair Plascencia opened the floor for discussion regarding the tracking sheet created and the document from the LA Civil Rights Department. Commissioners provided feedback and staff was instructed to follow up with Carla Ibarra about the feedback.

After discussion, Vice Chair Rogers volunteered to draft an outreach email to be reviewed at the next CESS meeting.

Member of the public Camila Cameleon addressed the CESS on this item.

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III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not posted: Matters not on the posted agenda to be placed on the agenda for discussion and action at a future meeting of the CESS.

Commissioner Arnzen would like to know the steps and possibilities in adding subcommittee members from the commission and other community members.

Commissioner Arnzen mentioned his willingness to Co-Chair.

Commissioner Arnzen also would like to discuss a possible new schedule for regular meetings.

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Public Comment

8. Public Comment: Opportunity for members of the public to address the Community Engagement Subcommittee on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the subcommittee.

No members of the public addressed the CESS on this item.

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Adjournment

9. Adjournment of the February 27, 2025 CESS of the LGBTQ+ Commission meeting.

Chair Plascencia adjourned the meeting at 7:12PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 26 2025, at 5:30 PM.