



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

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY LGBTQ CENTER

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EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA 91732

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

5:30 PM

Attachments: [AUDIO LINK](#)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Co-Chair Plascencia called the meeting to order at 5:56 p.m. Annie Patpatian, administrative staff, called the roll.

A quorum was established with five (5) members present of five (5) total members.

Present: Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen,
Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott
and Commissioner Eddie Martinez

2. Land Acknowledgement

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

3. Approval of March 26, 2025 Minutes

On motion of Co-Chair Arnzen, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, 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: 5 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott and Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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Commissioner Martinez left the meeting at 6:03pm. A quorum was still maintained with 4 of Commissioners present.

II. DISCUSSIONS & ACTIONS

4. Discussion and take possible action on rescission of previously approved schedule for regular meetings in 2025; and discussion and take possible action on newly proposed 2025 regular meeting schedule.

Chair Plascencia introduced the new proposed schedule to the members of the CESS meeting.

After discussion, on motion by Commissioner Arnzen and seconded by Vice Chair Rogers, the previously approved CESS meeting schedule was moved to be rescinded.

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

After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott
Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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A motion was made by Commissioner Lelliott and seconded by Co-Chair Arnzen to approve the newly proposed regular meeting schedule as noted in attachment 4b of the agenda.

Member of the public Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

Newly proposed regular meeting schedule was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott

Absent: 1- Commissioner Eddie Martinez

- 5.** Discuss and take possible action on reviewing the engagement guidelines including talking points for commissioners about the role and responsibility of the Commission and recommendations for how Commission should interact with the public.

Co-Chair Plascencia opened the floor for the CESS to discuss the engagement guidelines attachment.

After discussion, there was a motion by Vice Chair Rogers and seconded by Co-Chair Arnzen to modify this document based on feedback by Vice Chair Rogers again before presenting to the full LGBTQ+ Commission.

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

After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Chair Hector Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Nic Arnzen and Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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Co-Chair Plascencia opened the floor for the CESS to discuss the talking points attachment.

After discussion, there was a motion by Vice Chair Rogers and seconded by Co-Chair Arnzen to modify this document by comparing it to the mission and motion before presenting to the full LGBTQ+ Commission.

Members of the public; Aaron Elliott Tee and Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrianne Lelliott

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

6. Discussion and take possible action on a process for including community members on the CESS.

Co-Chair Arnzen opened the floor for discussion regarding the wording of the requirements for Community Members to join the CESS meeting.

After discussion, on motion by Vice Chair Rogers and seconded by Co-Chair Arnzen to modify the prior goal of two CESS members to signify up to two CESS Members.

Member of the public Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

After public comment, motion passes with the following vote:

- Ayes:** 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrianne Lelliott
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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7. Discuss and take possible action on how to utilize the resources the information provided on the ARDI Advancing Pride Justice website and discuss and take possible action on whether the CESS will utilize the LGBTQ+ tracking document.

Co-Chair Plascencia introduced the item and opened the floor for discussion.

After discussion. there was a motion by Co-Chair Arnzen and seconded by Commissioner Lelliott to table this item to next months agenda.

Member of the public Camila Camaleon and Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

- Ayes:** 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrianne Lelliott
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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8. Discuss and take possible action on identifying LGBTQ+ community dates of significance and potentially provide this list to the Board of Supervisors.

Co-Chair Plascencia introduced the item and opened the floor for discussion.

After discussion, a motion was made by Co-Chair Arnzen seconded by Commissioner Lelliott to review this document and to discuss potential important dates for the May LGBTQ+ Commission meeting.

Member of the public Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

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

Ayes: 4 - Chair Hector Trinidad Plascencia, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Nic Arnzen and Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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9. Discuss and take possible action on if, and how, the CESS will recommend the LGBTQ+ Commission participate in Pride-related activities for June 2025.

Co-Chair Arnzen introduced this item and lead the discussion.

After discussion there a motion by Co-Chair Arnzen and seconded by Vice Chair Rogers to present to the entire LGBTQ+ Commission a comprehensive list of Pride celebrations and the intended letter that will go to the organizations necessary.

Member of the public Camila Camaleon and Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

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

Ayes: 4 - Co-Chair Héctor Trinidad Plascencia, Co-Chair Nic Arnzen, Vice Chair Sydney Rogers, Commissioner Jer-Adrienne Lelliott

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Eddie Martinez

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III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

10. 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.

There was no requests or statements by the CESS members.

Public Comment

11. Public Comment: Opportunity for members of the public to address the CESS on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the subcommittee.

Members of the public: Aaron Elliott Tee and Chi Chi Navarro addressed the CESS on this item.

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Adjournment

12. Adjournment of the April 23, 2025, CESS of the LGBTQ+ Commission meeting.

Co-Chair Plascencia adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 29 2025, at 5:30 PM.