



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE MEETING OF
THE OFFICE OF PREVENTION SERVICES TASK FORCE**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022

**12:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING**

Below is the link to the full meeting recording, which includes a transcript:

[Meeting Recording](#)

I. OPENING AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza, Executive Director of Racial Equity, at 12:03 P.M.

Attachment(s): **[Meeting Slides](#)**

2. Kyle Ota, Chief Executive Office - Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion Initiative, provided instructional information and disclosures to attendees.
3. Chair Scorza shared a land acknowledgment to acknowledge the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles County. He also provided a welcome and opening remarks.
4. Kyle Ota conducted roll call.

Present: Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Yahniiie Bridges, Robert Byrd, Jackie Contreras, Megan McClaire (as an alternate for Barbara Ferrer), Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tamara Hunter, Darlene Aikens (as an alternate for Tracie Mann), Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Ramona Merchan (as an alternate for Angela Parks-Pyles), Kiara Payne, D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Cheri Todoroff, Laura Trejo, John Wagner

Absent: Carlos Benavides, Tyrone Howard, Kelly LoBianco, Erica Reynoso

(Special Note: Some members or alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early, thus some votes may reflect absences. A quorum was present at all times.)

5. Public Comment Period for Specific Agenda Items
Public Comment: Minouche Kandel, Katie Mitchell, Tina Rios, Karen Bowdre, Christopher Martin

II. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

Attachment(s): [Packet of Attachments](#) relevant to recommendations

[Task Force Feedback on Recommendations \(.xlsx\)](#)

[Recommendations as of 11/4 Meeting with Track Changes](#)

[Voting Record](#)

6. Chair Scorza provided an overview of Task Force next steps, including an overview of the proposal on the Prevention and Promotion Implementation Team (PPIT) and a summary of members' responses to the recommendation forms circulated in the week prior to the meeting. This included organizing the recommendations into groups based on the level of consensus across member responses, including some recommendations which were removed from consideration because existing authority already exists relating to the action. Members provided overall feedback on the recommendations and this review process.

The Task Force then launched into a discussion regarding six of the recommendations where there was strong consensus among members (Recommendations #1, 3, 12, 13, 16, 19 under the numbering system used during the meeting). Members provided specific comments and proposed line edits to the recommendations to strengthen and clarify the language. ARDI staff publicly screenshared a Word document upon which changes were applied and marked up, so members and the public could see the application of feedback in real-time.

After staff and members applied these proposed edits across the six recommendations with strong consensus, Chair Scorza suggested that the Task Force conduct a consent item vote. Member Ghaly (DHS) called for a motion to adopt the six recommendations. Member Byrd (DMH) seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Yes: 19 – Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Carlos Benavides, Yahniiie Bridges, Jackie Contreras, Megan McClaire (as an alternate for Barbara Ferrer), Christina Ghaly, Tamara Hunter, Kelly LoBianco, Darlene Aikens (as an alternate for Tracie Mann), Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Ramona Merchan (as an alternate for Angela Parks-Pyles), D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Cheri Todoroff, Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo), John Wagner

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 3 – Tyrone Howard, Kiara Payne, Erica Reynoso

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND CLOSING

7. General Public Comments to Address Task Force-Related Subject Matters
Public Comment: Merry Meyers, Jackie Morris
8. The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 P.M.

The full upcoming schedule can be found on the task force website at:
<https://ceo.lacounty.gov/ardi/prevention-taskforce/>