



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT (CFCI)  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, February 16, 2023  
4:00 p.m.**

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**Prior to the start of the meeting Myles Meshack of the Justice, Care and Opportunities Department-Community First Community Investment (JCOD-CFCI) read the meeting disclosures.**

Welcome and Call to Order.

**The meeting was called to order by Derek Steele (CFCI Chair) at 4:10p.m. Melissa Bond (JCOD-CFCI) called the roll.**

Present: Songhai Armstead, Joey Ayala (as an alternate for Rafael Carbajal), Megan Castillo, Wesley Crunk, Twima Earley, Barbara Ferrer, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Norma Garcia, Christina Ghaly, Veronica Lewis, Kelly LoBianco, Bob Schoonover, D'Artagnan Scorza, Jose Ruiz (as an alternate for Rosa Soto), Chair Derek Steele, Derek Smith (as an alternate for April Verrett), Joseph Williams, Connie Drexler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)

Absent: Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Jackie Contreras, Ezekiel Nishiyama, Jared O'Brien.

Special Notes: Some members/alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early thus votes reflected some absences. At all times a quorum was present. Members that arrived after the roll call: Reba Stevens

## I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

### 1. Review CFCI Advisory Committee Land Acknowledgement.

Chair Derek Steele shared the land acknowledgment for the meeting, acknowledging the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles.

### 2. Review the CFCI Advisory Committee Community Agreement by several committee members.

Attachment: [Community Agreement](#)

### 3. Review and take appropriate action on the minutes of the CFCI Advisory Committee Regular Meeting of February 2, 2023.

Attachment: [02.02.23 – Minutes](#)

Member Schoonover moved for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from the last meeting. Member Crunk seconded the motion.

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item No. 3.

Public Comment: None

The motion for the CFCI Advisory Committee to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2023, CFCI Advisory Committee meeting was approved by the following vote:

<b>Yes:</b>	Joey Ayala (as an alternate for Rafael Carbajal), Megan Castillo, Wesley Crunk, Twima Earley, Barbara Ferrer, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Norma Garcia, Christina Ghaly, Veronica Lewis, Kelly LoBianco, Bob Schoonover, D'Artagnan Scorza, Jose Ruiz (as an alternate for Rosa Soto), Chair Derek Steele, Derek Smith (as an alternate for April Verrett), Joseph Williams, Connie Drexler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)	<b>Total: 17</b>
<b>Abstain:</b>		<b>Total: 0</b>
<b>No:</b>		<b>Total: 0</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Jackie Contreras, Ezekiel Nishiyama, Jared O'Brien, Reba Stevens	<b>Total: 5</b>

## II. PRESENTATIONS/ACTION ITEMS

4. Discuss the Year Three CFCI Funding Allocation.

Public Comment: Laura Cohen, Brian Kaneda, Ivette Ale', Byron (Declined to state last name)

5. Review [Community Engagement Workplan](#).

6. Review Summary of submitted Concept Recommendation Forms.

Attachment: [CFCI Year Three Concept Recommendation Submissions Presentation](#)

7. Discuss and take appropriate action on CFCI Advisory Committee's process to create Year Three Spending Plan.

Attachment: [Advisory Committee Year Three Spending Plan Presentation](#)

## III. MISCELLANEOUS

8. Public Comment

- a. Opportunity for members of the public to address the CFCI Advisory Committee.

Public comment was opened for agenda Items Nos. 3, 4 and 8 (General Public Comment)

Public Comment: Jessica McNeil Estes, Brian Kaneda, Laura (Declined to state last name.)

- b. Public Comment should not exceed one minute per participant.
- c. Please Note: General Public Comment is limited to the matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the CFCI Advisory Committee.
- d. Public comment can also be provided via email at [JCOD@lacounty.gov](mailto:JCOD@lacounty.gov). Deadline to submit written public comments was Wednesday, February 15, 2023, by 5:00 p.m.

Attachment: [Written Correspondence](#)

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

9. Adjournment for the CFCI Advisory Committee Meeting of Thursday, February 16, 2023 occurred at 6:10p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 2, 2023.