



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

**Thursday, February 20, 2025**

**4:00 p.m.**

**500 W Temple St, Room 374-A,  
Los Angeles, CA 90012**

Below is the link to this meeting transcripts:

[CART Transcript](#)

Below is the link to the full meeting recording:

[Meeting Recording](#)

**Petra Lopez of the Justice, Care and Opportunities Department-Care First, Community Investment (JCOD-CFCI) read the meeting disclosures.**

Welcome and Call to Order.

**The meeting was called to order by Derek Steele (Chair, CFCI Advisory Committee) at 4:14 p.m. and Ruth Bell (JCOD-CFCI) called the roll.**

Present: Adam Bettino (as an alternate for Judge Songhai Armstead Ret.), Laura Magallanes (as an alternate for Rafael Carbajal), Megan Castillo, La Shonda Diggs (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Wesley Crunk, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Clemens Hong, Veronica Lewis, Kelly LoBianco, Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Tencha Chavez (as an alternate for Joey Williams), Connie Draxler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)

Appeared Remotely: Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate for D'Artagnan Scorza), Derek Steele

Absent: Bob Schoonover, Jared O'Brien, Norma Garcia, Myk'I Williams

Special Notes: Some members/alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early thus votes reflected some absences. Quorum was always present. Members arrived after the roll call: Auleria Eakins, Rosa Soto. Members departed before adjournment: Gary Tsai, Clemens Hong, Connie Draxler

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- 1.** Welcome and Call to Order by Derek Steele, Chair, CFCI Advisory Committee
- 2.** Review Meeting Disclosures
- 3.** Review CFCI Advisory Committee Land Acknowledgement

Attachment: [Land Acknowledgement](#)

Chair Derek Steele shared the Land Acknowledgment for the meeting, recognizing the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles.

4. CFCI Advisory Committee Labor Acknowledgement read by Chair Derek Steele

Attachment: [Labor Acknowledgement](#)

5. Review of the CFCI Advisory Committee Community Agreement by various members

Attachment: [Community Agreement](#)

6. Roll Call

7. Review and take appropriate action on the minutes of the CFCI Advisory Committee Special Meeting on January 30, 2025, Quorum met, action taken.

Motion made by Member Lewis for the CFCI Advisory Committee to amend and adopt the minutes from the January 30, 2025, special meeting. Member Castillo seconded the motion. Vote taken.

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 7.

Public Comment: No public comment.

The motion for the CFCI Advisory Committee to amend and adopt the minutes from the January 30, 2025, CFCI Advisory Committee meeting **was approved** by the following vote:

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| <b>YES</b>     | Megan Castillo, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Clemens Hong, Veronica Lewis, Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Connie Draxler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)   | <b>TOTAL: 9</b> |
| <b>ABSTAIN</b> | Laura Magallanes (as an alternate for Rafael Carbajal), La Shonda Diggs (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Wesley Crunk, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Kelly LoBianco, Tencha Chavez (as an alternate for Joey Williams) | <b>TOTAL: 7</b> |
| <b>NO</b>      |  | <b>TOTAL: 0</b> |
| <b>ABSENT</b>  | Bob Schoonover, Jared O'Brien, Norma Garcia, Myk'I Williams  | <b>TOTAL: 4</b> |

## II. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

8. Presentation/Discussion: CFCI County Program – Presentation Criteria Update

Attachments: CFCI County Program – Presentation Criteria Update

9. Department of Health Services - CFCI Year 2 Program Presentation

Attachments: Housing for Health (HFH) Permanent Housing Expansion Program Presentation

## II. MISCELLANEOUS

**10. Public Comment**

- a) Opportunity for members of the public to address the CFCI Advisory Committee.
- 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. Deadline to submit written public comments will be Wednesday, February 19, 2025, by 5:00 p.m.

Attachment: [Written Correspondence](#)

Public Comment: Eddie Flemming, Martina Gladney, Byron Jose

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

- 11.** Adjournment for the CFCI Advisory Committee Meeting of Thursday, February 20, 2025. The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2025.