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

Thursday, July 31, 2025
4:00 p.m.
Earvin Magic Johnson Park – John Hall
12601 Wadsworth Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90059

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Dalar Zahrabi 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 4:10 p.m. and Dalar Zahrabi (JCOD-CFCI) called the roll.

Present:	Judge Songhai Armstead Ret., Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Gary Tsai, Alina Bokde, Anna Gorman (as an alternate for Clemens Hong), Kelly LoBianco, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate for D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Reba Stevens, Derek Steele, Joey Williams, Connie Draxler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)
Appeared Remotely:	Wesley Crunk, Corey Crockerham, Jackie Contreras, Auleria Eakins, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Veronica Lewis, Megan Castillo
Absent:	Myk'l 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: Gary Tsai, Alina Bokde, Megan Castillo. Members departed before adjournment: Gary Tsai, Rosa Soto, Alina Bokde, Megan Castillo

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 Regular Meeting on July 24, 2025. Quorum met, action taken.

   Motion made by Member Stevens for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from the July 24, 2025 regular meeting. Member Fuentes-Miranda seconded the motion. Vote taken.

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

   Public Comment: **Michael Flood, Noemi Lopez, Tiffany Virgin, Katerina Massasson, Ani Aratunians, Akid Rahman, Hector Trinidad and Elaine Rodriguez.**

   The motion for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from the July 24, 2025 regular meeting **was approved** by the following vote:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate for Norma Garcia) Anna Gorman (as an alternate for Clemens Hong) Kelly LoBianco, Wendy Knight, Tula Wuraola, Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams, Connie Draxler (as an alternate for Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 16**
ABSTAIN	Wesley Crunk	**TOTAL: 1**
NO	N/A	**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo	**TOTAL: 2**

II. ACTION ITEMS

For conflict-of-interest purposes, the Committee restructured Agenda Items 8 and 9 into Agenda Items 8-13 below during the meeting to assist in the voting process. The attachments below were shared for discussion purposes on Items 8-13.

Attachments: Tier-1 Concept Recommendation
Attachments: Tier-2 Concept Recommendation

8. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 1.

Member Lewis made a motion to approve Strategy 1 as presented, with the condition that any members with a potential conflict of interest recuse themselves from the vote as advised by County Counsel. The motion was seconded by Member Joey Williams; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

Strategy 1:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk) Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Member Garcia) Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Member Hong) Veronica Lewis, Kelly LoBianco, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Joey Williams Rosa Soto, Derek Steele and Reba Stevens.	**TOTAL: 16**
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo, Jackie Contreras, Gary Tsai, Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Clemons Hong), Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 7**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 8.
Public Comment: **Katerina Massasson, Steven Trapasso, Freddy Ramos.**

9. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 2.

Member Stevens made a motion to approve Strategy 2 as presented, with the condition that any members with a potential conflict of interest recuse themselves from the vote as advised by County Counsel. The motion was seconded by Member Joey Williams; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

Strategy 2:

YES	Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk) Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Member Garcia) Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Member Hong) Veronica Lewis, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams and Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Member Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 15**
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo, Rafael Carbajal, Kelly LoBianco	**TOTAL: 5**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 9.
Public Comment: None.

10. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 3.

Member Fuentes-Miranda made a motion to approve Strategy 3 as presented, with the condition that any members with a potential conflict of interest recuse themselves from the vote. The motion was seconded by Member Carbajal; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

Strategy 3:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk) Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Gary Tsai, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Member Hong) Veronica Lewis, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams and Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Member Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 14**
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo, Auleria Eakins, Kelly LoBianco, Alina Bokde, Derek Steele	**TOTAL: 7**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 10.
Public Comment: None.

11. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 4.

Member Lewis made a motion to approve Strategy 4 as presented, with the condition that any members with a potential conflict of interest recuse themselves from the vote. The motion was seconded by Member Draxler; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

Strategy 4:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk) Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Member Garcia) Veronica Lewis, Kelly LoBianco, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams and Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Member Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 17**
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo, Anna Gorman	**TOTAL: 4**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 11.
Public Comment: None.

12. Discuss and take appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 5.

Member Joey Williams made a motion to approve Strategy 5 as presented, with the condition that any members with a potential conflict of interest recuse themselves from the vote. The motion was seconded by Member Stevens; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

Strategy 5:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk) Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Gary Tsai, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Member Garcia) Anna Gorman (as an alternate	**TOTAL: 16**

	to Member Hong) Veronica Lewis, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams and Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Member Lisa Wong)	
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo	**TOTAL: 3**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 12.
Public Comment: **Byron Jose.**

13. Discuss and take additional appropriate action on the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Concept Recommendations Totaling $206.7 Million for Tier 1 and $50 Million for Tier 2 for Strategy 1.

Member Contreras made a motion to add the unallocated $800,000 to the Food Concept in Strategy 1, and that if any members have a potential conflict of interest to recuse themselves from the vote. The motion was seconded by Member Gorman; the motion **was approved** by the following vote:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Jackie Contreras, Corey Crockerham (as an alternate to Member Crunk), Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Member Garcia) Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Member Hong) Veronica Lewis, Wendy Knight, Kelly LoBianco, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Rosa Soto, Derek Steele, Reba Stevens, Connie Draxler (as an alternate to Member Lisa Wong)	**TOTAL: 16**
ABSTAIN		**TOTAL: 0**
NO		**TOTAL: 0**
ABSENT	Norma Garcia, Myk'l Williams, Megan Castillo, Joey Williams, Gary Tsai	**TOTAL: 4**

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 13.
Public Comment: None.

III. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

14. Chair Steele presented the Memo to the CEO for the CFCI Advisory Committee Recommendation on Unspent One-Time Funds.

Attachments: **Memo to the CEO for CFCI Advisory Committee Recommendation on Unspent One-Time Funds**

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

15. General 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, July 23, 2025, by 5:00 p.m.

Attachment: Written Correspondence
Public Comment: **Elianne Rodriguez.**

V. ADJOURNMENT

16. Adjournment for the CFCI Advisory Committee Meeting of Thursday, July 31, 2025. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 21, 2025.