



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

**Thursday, February 19, 2026
4:00 p.m.**

**Earvin Magic Johnson Park – John Hall Room
12645 Wadsworth Ave,
Los Angeles, CA 90059**

Below is the link to this meeting's transcript:

[CART Transcript](#)

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recording:

[Meeting Recording](#)

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 Veronica Lewis (Chair, CFCI Advisory Committee) at 4:08p.m. and Dalar Zahrabi (JCOD-CFCI) called the roll.

Present:	Adam Bettino (as an alternate to Judge Songhai Armstead), Rafael Carbajal, Megan Castillo, Wesley Crunk, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Kelly Fischer, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Norma Garcia), Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Clemens Hong), Veronica Lewis, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams, Rimmi Hundal (as an alternate to Lisa Wong)
Appeared Remotely:	Hina Sheikh, Wendy Knight, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Derek Steele, Jose Ruiz (as an alternate to Rosa Soto), Mercedes Jackson
Absent:	Tomasa Richmond, Gary Tsai
Special Notes:	The following members/alternates of the CFCI Advisory Committee appeared remotely for the following "just cause" justifications.

Mercedes Jackson: "Personal physical or mental health need"

Tolu Wuraola: "Caregiving responsibility."

Hina Sheikh: "Caregiving responsibility"

Wendy Knight: "Contagious illness"

Derek Steele: "Personal physical or mental health need"

Jose Ruiz: "Caregiving responsibility"

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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

Attachment: [Land Acknowledgement](#)

Land Acknowledgment for the meeting, recognizing the ancestral land and people of Los Angeles. Recording played.

- 4. CFCI Advisory Committee Labor Acknowledgement. Recording played.

Attachment: [Labor Acknowledgement](#)

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

Attachment: [Community Agreement](#)

- 6. Roll Call – Quorum was present at time of roll call.

- 7. Review and take appropriate action on the minutes of the CFCI Advisory Committee Regular Meetings on January 15, 2026. Quorum met, action taken.

Motion made by Member Gorman (as an alternate to Member Hong) for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from January 15, 2026. Member Stevens seconded the motion. Vote taken. Motion passed.

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 adopt the minutes from January 15, 2026 regular meeting **was approved** by the following vote:

YES	Rafael Carbajal, Megan Castillo, Victor Cyrus-Franklin, Auleria Eakins, Kelly Fischer, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Norma Garcia), Anna Gorman (as an alternate to Clemens Hong), Veronica Lewis, Reba Stevens, Joey Williams, Rimmi Hundal (as an alternate to Lisa Wong), Hina Sheikh, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D’Artagnan Scorza), Derek Steele, Jose Ruiz (as an alternate to Rosa	TOTAL: 17
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	Soto), Mercedes Jackson	
ABSTAIN	Wesley Crunk, Wendy Knight	TOTAL: 2
NO	N/A	TOTAL: 0
ABSENT	Tomaso Richmond, Gary Tsai	TOTAL: 2

II. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

- 8. Discussion on Community Engagement Framework for CFCI 2026 Underspend Funding Recommendations.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- 9. Development of spending recommendations framework for additional, reduced and unspent funds.

No voting action was conducted.

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 18, 26, by 5:00 p.m.

No written public comments submitted.

Public Comment: **No public comment**

IV. ADJOURNMENT

- 11. Adjournment for the CFCI Advisory Committee Meeting of Thursday, February 19, 2026. The meeting adjourned 5:58p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2026.