



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

Thursday, May 21, 2026

4:00PM – 6:30PM

**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](#)

Below is the link to the full meeting
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 4:09p.m. and Dalar Zahrabi (JCOD-CFCI) called the roll.

Present:

Adam Bettino (as an alternate to Judge Songhai Armstead) Megan Castillo, Derek Steele (delayed arrival) Norma Cecilia Clarke, Hina Sheikh (as an alternate to Kelly LoBianco) Clemens Hong, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Yanira Lima (as an alternate to Michelle Gibson), Joey Williams, Auleria Eakins, Veronica Lewis, Kyla Coates (as an alternate to Lisa Wong), Kelly Fischer (as an alternate to David Carroll), Wendy Knight, Victor Cyrus Franklin, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Norma Garcia, delayed arrival) Cheryl Blanchette (as an alternate to Jackie Contreras, delayed arrival)

Appeared

N/A

Remotely:

Absent: Rafael Carbajal, Wesley Crunk, Shalonda Battee, Rosa Soto

Special Notes: N/A

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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

Attachment: [Land Acknowledgement](#)

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

5. CFCI Advisory Committee Labor Acknowledgement. Recording played.

Attachment: [Labor Acknowledgement](#)

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

Attachment: [Community Agreement](#)

7. Administrative Reminders by Chair Lewis.

Attachment: [Administrative Updates](#)

8. Review and take appropriate action on the minutes of the CFCI Advisory Committee Regular Meetings on March 19, 2026. Quorum met, action taken.

Motion made by Member Carbajal for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from March 19, 2026. Member Hong seconded the motion. Vote taken. Motion passed.

Attachment: [4.16.26 Minutes](#)

Members of the public were invited to give public comment on Item 8.

Public Comment: **No public comment**

The motion for the CFCI Advisory Committee to adopt the minutes from April 16, 2026 regular meeting **was approved** by the following vote with friendly amendments.

YES	Megan Castillo, Derek Steele, Norma Cecilia Clarke, Hina Sheikh (as an alternate to Kelly LoBianco) Clemens Hong, Tolu Wuraola (as an alternate to D'Artagnan Scorza), Yanira Lima (as an alternate to Michelle Gibson), Joey Williams, Auleria Eakins, Veronica Lewis, Kyla Coates (as an alternate to Lisa Wong), Kelly Fischer (as an alternate to David Carroll), Wendy Knight, Victor Cyrus Franklin, Michelle Fuentes-Miranda, Alina Bokde (as an alternate to Norma Garcia) Cheryl Blanchette (as an alternate to Jackie Contreras)	TOTAL: 17
ABSTAIN	Michelle Fuentes-Miranda	TOTAL: 1
NO	N/A	TOTAL: 0
ABSENT	Rafael Carbajal, Wesley Crunk, Shalonda Battee, Rosa Soto	TOTAL: 4

II. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

9. Discussion: JCOD Programs Presentation

Attachment: [JCOD Programs PPT](#)

Members of the public were invited to provide public comments.
Public comments were made by: Stephanie, David Carpo

10. Discussion: Debrief on Town Hall Presentations

Attachment I: [April Town Hall Presentations Summary](#)

Attachment II: [April Town Hall Presentations Matrix](#)

III. ACTION ITEMS

Discuss and take appropriate action on Budget Subcommittee's proposed underspend reallocation framework. Members of the CFCI Advisory Committee made the decision to vote on this action item during the June Advisory Committee meeting.

Members of the public were invited to provide public comments.

Public comments made by: Byron Jose,

Online: N/A

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

11. 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 May 20, 26, by 5:00 p.m.

V. ADJOURNMENT

12. Adjournment for the CFCI Advisory Committee Meeting of Thursday, May 21, 2026. The meeting adjourned 6:35p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 18, 2026.