



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE MEETING OF
THE OFFICE OF PREVENTION SERVICES TASK FORCE**

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2022

**9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
VIRTUAL MEETING**

Below is the link to the full meeting recording:

[Meeting Recording](#)

Welcome and Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza, Executive Director of Racial Equity, at 9:06AM.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Dr. Scorza provided opening remarks.

Heather Jue Northover (CEO-ARDI) provided information to attendees regarding Spanish and American Sign Language interpretation. Dr. Scorza shared a land acknowledgment to acknowledge the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles County.

Welcome and Opening Remarks by Fesia Davenport, Chief Executive Officer, County of Los Angeles and Supervisor Holly Mitchell, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 2nd District and Chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

General Public Comment Period

Public Comments: None.

2. Introduction of Los Angeles County Prevention Systems Taskforce Members, and Consideration of Necessary Actions

Dr. Scorza shared meeting guidelines and etiquette, before calling roll and asking members to briefly share what prevention meant to them.

Present: Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza (Chair), Meredith Berkson, Alain Datcher, Barbara Ferrer, Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tyrone Howard, Jacquelyn McCroskey (as an alternate for Tamara Hunter), Antonia Jimenez, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyle, Kanchi Tate (as an alternate for Jonathan

Sherin), Cheri Todoroff, Reid Meadows.

Absent: Laura Trejo

(Special Note: Some members or alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early, thus some votes reflect absences. A quorum was present at all times.)

3. Overview of the Ralph M. Brown Act by Norayr Zurabyan, County Counsel, Consideration of Necessary Actions

Attachment(s): [County Counsel's Presentation](#)

4. Overview of Task Force Member Roles and Responsibilities by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza and Consideration of Necessary Actions

Attachment(s): [Task Force Overview Presentation](#)
[Establishing the Los Angeles County Office of Prevention Services Planning Framework](#)

Discussion: Members discussed the potential of a coordinated approach to prevention and how the current initiative can approach the work differently by building on past experiences, considering lessons learned, and examining our own biases and assumptions. Examples of specific topics raised include the need to rethink how homelessness impacts people and the way in which poverty is criminalized and exacerbated by policies.

5. Review of Task Force Timeline and Activities by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza and Consideration of Necessary Actions

Discussion: Members discussed existing efforts and using data to identify gaps and examine current initiatives that hold promise. Members questioned how the task force will engage community partners and individuals with lived expertise, as well as how the task force will interface with law enforcement and other cross-departmental County committees engaged in similar work.

6. Next Steps/Proposed Schedule for On-going Meetings

Dr. Scorza introduced a list of proposed task force meeting dates, which members discussed and revised.

Kelly LoBianco moved for the task force to hold regular meetings on the third Fridays of each month from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Tracie Mann seconded the motion.

The meeting schedule was approved by the following vote:

Yes: 15 – Dr. D’Artagnan Scorza (Chair), Meredith Berkson, Alain Datcher, Barbara Ferrer, Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Jacquelyn McCroskey (as an alternate for Tamara Hunter), Antonia Jimenez, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyle, Kanchi Tate (as an alternate for Jonathan Sherin, Cheri Todoroff, Reid Meadows.

Abstain: 0

No: 0

Absent: 2 – Tyrone Howard, Laura Trejo

Christina Ghaly made a motion to change the April meeting date in the prior motion from April 15 to April 22 to accommodate Member schedules. Reid Meadows seconded the motion.

The adjusted meeting date was approved by the following vote:

Yes: 15 – Dr. D’Artagnan Scorza (Chair), Meredith Berkson, Alain Datcher, Barbara Ferrer, Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Jacquelyn McCroskey (as an alternate for Tamara Hunter), Antonia Jimenez, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyle, Kanchi Tate (as an alternate for Jonathan Sherin, Cheri Todoroff, Reid Meadows.

Abstain: 0

No: 0

Absent: 2 – Tyrone Howard, Laura Trejo

7. **General Public Comments to Address Task Force-Related Subject Matters**

Public Comment: Paulette Dun Sanders, Roman James, Latia Suttle, Karen Hill, Liza Davis.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 A.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 22, 2022, at 9:00 A.M., and the full upcoming schedule can be found on the task force website at: <https://ceo.lacounty.gov/ardi/prevention-taskforce/>