

Statement of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting of the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Headquarters 700 N. Alameda Street, Conference Room 2-456, (2nd Floor), Los Angeles CA 90012

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Wednesday, April 16, 2025 1:00 PM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (25-2300)

Attachments: Audio

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. (25-2050)

Chair Rex Richardson called the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA) meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Chair Richardson reported that at the January 2025 LACAHSA meeting, a timeline was shared on LACAHSA's work towards the development of its infrastructure, staffing, and draft metrics to deliver a Five-Year Spending Plan. He further added that today's meeting will focus on the Five-Year Spending Plan and on collecting feedback for all LACAHSA Board Members towards that endeavor.

Chair Richardson also shared his experience on a recent trip to Vienna, Austria, where he was joined by a few LACAHSA Board Members and several housing experts during the week of April 6, 2025. He reported on Vienna's Housing Model which delivers low-cost housing for all.

Rhonda Rangel, Assistant Division Chief, Commission Services Division, Executive Office of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, conducted roll call; the following Board Members were:

Present: 22 -

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn), Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson, Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Chair Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Nithya Raman, Board Member Emma Sharif, Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis) and Board Member Kome Ajise

2. Items to be Added or Reordered on the Agenda. (25-2051)

There was no action taken on this item.

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3. Call for Disclosures/ Recusals: Directors will disclose any item in which they have a conflict of interest under state law and acknowledge whether they will recuse from that item. Among other state laws, the Levine Act may require recusal on items involving a contract or entitlement where a campaign donor is an interested participant or applicant. (25-2207)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and asked if LACAHSA Board Members had disclosures or any conflict of interest, under state law, to disclose on any item on the agenda. He also asked whether any LACAHSA Board Member needed to recuse himself/herself from participating/voting on any item on the agenda.

Board Member Kome Ajise reported that he would be recusing himself from participation and vote on Item No. 13.

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II. PRESENTATIONS

- **4.** Presentation on LACAHSA Draft Policy/Program Recommendations.
 - a. Jonathan Jager, Member, Production, Preservation, and Homeownership (PPO)
 - b. Natalie Knott, Chair, Tenant Protections and Support (TPS)
 - Jorgel Chavez, Chair, Local City Coordination and Capacity Building (LCCCB)
 - d. Edwin Peart, Senior Associate, Global Policy Leadership Academy
 - e. Natalie Donlin-Zappella, Director, Global Policy Leadership Academy
 - f. Ryan Johnson, Interim CEO, Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Agency

(Continued from the March 12, 2025 Meeting) (25-1519)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and thanked all the LACAHSA Committee Members and Chairs of the three policy ad hoc committees, and support staff, for their diligence and hard work in developing recommendations for LACAHSA's first funding plan.

Interim CEO Ryan Johnson, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jorgel Chavez, and Edwin Peart, gave a presentation and responded to questions posed by the LACAHSA Board.

Mr. Peart explained that this presentation would not require a vote by the LACAHSA Board, and instead would be a discussion and a question-and-answer session allowing the policy ad-hoc committees to get the LACAHSA Board's feedback in "real-time," and to come back in a couple of months to present final recommendations that incorporate feedback received at this meeting.

Mr. Peart added that on August 8, 2024, the LACAHSA Board established five Ad-Hoc Committees to serve as policy advisory arms to the LACAHSA CEO to help provide critical leadership and capacity to continue developing LACAHSA's policies and strategic framework. He went over the membership of the Ad-Hoc Committees and the Committee's purpose and explained that to ensure each Ad-Hoc Committee is achieving its intended goal, each will be re-evaluated for either conversion to standing committees or disbandment in June 2025.

Mr. Peart further added that the Interim CEO, LACAHSA staff, and the Ad-Hoc Committees drafted policy briefs for each of their recommendations. These policy briefs present research, evidence and analysis with the goal to provide a detailed analysis to inform and guide decisions to be made by the LACAHSA Board.

Additionally, the Ad-Hoc Committees are currently reviewing and analyzing responses received to LACAHSA's "Request for Information" ("RFI's"). Over 40 responses were received that provided a better understanding of the domestic affordable infrastructure, influences and partnerships within the geographical footprint of the County.

Chair Richardson expressed his appreciation for the work that is underway by the Production, Preservation and Homeownership Ad-Hoc Committee (PPO). He suggested that the PPO identify affordable housing projects that are at a standstill in Los Angeles County, particularly those that cities or developers may have a challenge to take on and invite them to solicit resources from LACAHSA. Chair Richardson also recommended that LACAHSA identify five to seven existing housing projects within Los Angeles County that could benefit from LACASHSA's resources and that these projects be included in LACAHSA's Five-Year Plan. He added that there are entities that keep track of these developments.

Chair Richardson agrees with the Tenant Protections and Support Ad-Hoc Committee's (TPS Ad-Hoc Committee's) work that is a fundamental to LACAHSA's homeless prevention for tenant protection strategies. He appreciates the work on this endeavor, particularly the creation of a standard of tenant protections countywide to assist those with fixed incomes, such as the Senior Citizen Community.

Chair Richardson expressed the importance of the Local City Coordination and Capacity Building Ad-Hoc Committee (LCCCB Ad-Hoc Committee) charged with working closely with all jurisdictions in Los Angeles County to address the region's housing crisis. With a region that is so diverse in politics and needs, it is important that LACAHSA's framework include technical assistance.

Board Member Kevin Murray added that while he supports the Housing Accelerator Program, he would like to see other programs also funded. He believes all funding should not go to one program only. Board Member Murray also suggested that a robust permanent technical assistance infrastructure be built within LACAHSA where local cities can come and get the assistance they need from a central source.

Board Member Leano expressed his concurrence with Board Member Murray's recommendation on a robust permanent technical assistance infrastructure within LACAHSA; he believes local cities should have a "one-stop" shop for all their needs. He also agreed with Chair Richardson's recommendation to identifying existing housing developments that are "shovel ready" that LACAHSA can contribute to for the biggest levels of affordability and the highest volume of units. Board Member Leano indicated that he will make certain the San Gabriel Valley Community Land Trust and the recently formed Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust are ready to assist.

Board Member John A. Mirisch suggested that recommendations by the TPS Ad-Hoc Committee include: 1) Community Options to Purchase (COPA) in addition to Tenant Opportunity to Purchase (TOPA); 2) Countywide Land banking; 3) Affordability covenants with no time limitations but in perpetuity; 4) Policies to ensure people can age in place (senior citizens remain in the community); and 5) A Countywide rental registry that would allow for data collection to inform policies for tenant protections. Regarding the PPO Ad-Hoc Committee, Board Member Mirisch recommended the Committee explore Anti-Speculation Housing policies to allow "real people" and families to complete in the housing market.

Board Member Nithya Raman recommended that LACAHSA design programs and incentives for jurisdictions within the region that would also encourage regional alignment and qualify jurisdiction for LACAHSA funding. She also recommended that the TPS Ad-Hoc Committee include "Just Cause Tenant Eviction Protections," policies like the "Universal Just Cause" eviction protection passed in the City of Los Angeles that has enabled points of intervention for eviction cases and allowed for data collection of eviction cases. Board Member Nithya Raman also reminded the LACAHSA Board of the upcoming changes to federal funding for housing and homelessness and how the LACAHSA Board could use a limited supply of dollars locally. She also reminded the LACAHSA Board of the Emergency Housing Voucher Program that is anticipated to shut down in 2026, affecting 3,000 people in the City of Los Angeles, and approximately 3,000 people in Los Angeles County.

In response to Comments by the LACAHSA Board, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell added that a *Tenant Right to Counsel* and a *Los Angeles County Rent Registry* is in place in Los Angeles County, impacting the unincorporated areas and that a County Land Banking Program is also underway.

In response to Board Member Karen Bass's inquiry on whether LACAHSA will support the production of existing housing or interim housing, since its recommendation only references the support of the production of new housing, Interim CEO, Ryan Johnson explained funding will be flexible. Connor Lock, Deputy Mayor of Housing, City of Long Beach and Michael Maurer, BBK Partner and LACAHSA's General Counsel, explained that Measure A does detail the amount that must be allocated to permanent housing and agreed to report back on the question of interim housing. Board Member Bass requested that amounts be detailed in the final LACAHSA Funding recommendations.

Later in the meeting Mr. Maurer explained that Section 29 of Measure A details that 60% of the Measure A funds must go for the creation of affordable housing, preservation, and the ownership category, and of that 60%, 77.25% shall go to the construction of new affordable housing. Additionally, SB 679 indicates that if money that is "passed through" to agencies is not used to meet its intended purpose, then the agency, meaning LACAHSA, can redirect these funds.

First Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana recommended that LACAHSA creates a funding plan that not only prioritizes partnerships with non-profit developers but also for-profit developers who are in the affordable housing business, and private financing.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. Mike Feuer, Aditi Shakkarwar, Brandie Davison, Jessica Melendez, Erin Foley, Leona Rogers, Eva Garcia, Alfonso Directo Jr., Esmeralda Negrete, Favian Gonzalez, Antonio Hernandez, and Gracia Lopez Reyes, made in-person public comments. Joseph Cohen May, Shawn Morrison, Carmina Calderon Santos, Brad West, and "Ruth," made virtual public comments.

<u>Attachments:</u> Supporting Document

Public Comment/Written Correspondence

5. Presentation by HR&A Advisors, Inc. on Expenditure and Staffing Plan Development Activities. (25-2208)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and explained that this presentation is an update on the LACAHSA expenditure and staffing plan development activities, which HR&A Advisors, Inc., manages.

LACAHSA Interim CEO, Ryan Johnson, welcomed Connie Chung, Managing Partner with HR&A Advisors, Inc., who gave a presentation and responded to questions posed by the LACAHSA Board.

Ms. Chung reported that at the LACAHSA meeting scheduled for May 14, 2025, a draft of proposed expenditure plan will be presented to the LACAHSA Board, for its consideration and possible adoption at the June 2025 LACAHSA Board Meeting.

Ms. Chung explained that HR&A, Inc., in addition to working with the Ad-Hoc Committees will also meet with key stakeholders for their input. Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath recommended that the LACAHSA Board and HR&A, Inc. incorporate people with lived experience, who have a certain expertise, into the engagements by HR&A, Inc.

To address questions posed by the LACAHSA Board, Ms. Chung reported that there are no delays with the Draft Allocation Tables, and that Allocation Tables will include the distribution to the cities and Council of Governments (COGs).

Chair Richardson thanked Ms. Chung and indicated he looks forward to HR&A's update at the next LACAHSA Board meeting.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. "Ruth", who joined virtually, addressed the LACAHSA Board.

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III. DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

- **6.** Recommendation to approve Agreement for Treasury Management Services
 - a. Select EisnerAmper or Broadstreet as the LACAHSA consultant for Treasury Management Services subject to completion of negotiations and execution of an Agreement for Treasury Management Services and delegate authority to the Interim CEO to:
 - Complete negotiation of the price (in an amount not to exceed \$280,000, which amount is within the LACAHSA approved budget) and terms of the Treasury Management Services Agreement, with the price and terms substantially like those terms set out in the Agenda Report and with additional terms added as necessary;
 - ii. Execute the final agreement, subject to review as to form by LACAHSA Counsel. (25-2209)

Chair Richardson introduced this item and explained that this item is consistent with the LACAHSA's Procurement Policy.

Ryan Johnson, LACAHSA Interim CEO, reported that if approved, LACAHSA will enter into a Treasury Management Services agreement with either EisnerAmper or Broadstreet, for the allocation the Measure A funds.

He described the process that LACAHSA's internal staff used to consider recommending EisnerAmper and Boardstreet which included creating a scoring metric that was based on shared values, financial controls, prior public experience, and staff capacity. The scoring metric results were then presented to the LACAHSA Human Capital Ad Hoc Committee (HCC Ad-Hoc Committee) who subsequently recommended that the LACAHSA Budget and Administrative Executive Committee approve EisnerAmper and Broadstreet as the two potential firms to be deliberated on for approval by the LACAHSA Board, at today's meeting. However, LACAHSA staff recommends that EisnerAmper is approved due to the firm's experience in allocating large amounts of money in California. Mr. Johnson also explained that EisnerAmper is both SOX (Sarbanes Oxley Compliance) 1 and SOX 2 complaint, which will allow LACAHSA to quickly allocate the Measure A funds to the cities and Council of Governments.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

After discussion, on motion of Board Member Jed Leano, seconded by Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn), the LACAHSA Board approved EisnerAmper to provide Treasury Management Services to LACAHSA and to take appropriate actions related to execution of an agreement. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 20 - Chai

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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7. Recommendation to approve the attached LACAHSA Budget Re-allocation for the Period of January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025, as follows: Authorize and approve the attached LACAHSA Budget Re-allocation, including all stated allocations and expenditures for the positions and purposes set out and described in the attached LACAHSA Budget, subject to the availability of funds from Measure A, the County of Los Angeles Loan (Funding) Agreement, or any other available LACAHSA revenue, including grants, donations and other loan amounts. (25-2210)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and called upon LACAHSA Interim CEO, Ryan Johnson, to provide an update on the LACAHSA Budget Re-allocation, for approval.

Ryan Johnson reported that LACAHSA is asking for an 8% increase in the budget re allocation. The increase requested is mainly due to the Human Resource Information System (HRIS) recommended by the LACAHSA's Chief of Human Resources. He further explained that between now and June 2025, there may be an additional funding request.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

After discussion, on motion of Board Member Jason Gibbs, seconded by Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn), the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 20 - Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen

Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs. Board Member

Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn), Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member

Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager,

Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member

Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and

Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

8. Approval of the March 12, 2025 LACAHSA Regular Meeting Minutes. (25-2055)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 20 -

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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Public Comment/Written Correspondence

- **9.** Recommendation to authorize a Third Amendment to that certain LACAHSA Policy Consultant Services Agreement by and between LACAHSA and LeSar Holdings, Inc. (LeSar), as follows:
 - a. Delegate authority to the Chair, or designee, to execute an amendment to the Policy Consultant Services Agreement entered into by and between LACAHSA and LeSar dated .February 12, 2024, as previously amended on August 15, 2024 January 7, 2025, for the purpose of amending the scope of services to include additional deliverables under Task 5.1 (Interim strategic weekly support for LACAHSA Interim CEO, Chair, Board), and Task 6.1 (Interim strategic support for LACAHSA Policy Ad-Hoc Committees and Citizens Oversight Committee) including but not limited to research, outreach, analysis, and deliverables related to the Measure A metrics, policy proposals, and increasing the contract amount by \$175,000.00 (which amount is within the LACAHSA approved budget), subject to review as to form by LACAHSA Counsel. (25-2211)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, **Aves**: 20 -2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corev (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn), Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray. Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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- **10.** Recommendation to authorize an amendment to that certain Professional Services Agreement for Expenditure Plan, Staffing Plan, and Financial Product Review Services by and between LACAHSA and HR&A Advisors, Inc. (HR&A), as follows:
 - a. Delegate authority to the Chair, or designee, to execute an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement for Expenditure Plan, Staffing Plan, and Financial Product Review Services by and between LACAHSA and HR&A, dated February 21, 2025, for the purpose of amending the scope of services to include Board and Stakeholder Engagement activities and development of expenditure plan budget, increasing the contract amount by \$75,000.00 for a new contract amount of \$225,000.00 (which amount is within the LACAHSA approved budget), and to provide an option to extend the term of the Agreement for an additional 30 calendar day period, subject to review as to form by LACAHSA Counsel. (25-2212)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Aves: 20 -Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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11. Recommendation to establish May 14, 2025 as the date by which the Citizens' Oversight Committee members are selected. (25-2213)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 20 -

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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Public Comment/Written Correspondence

12. Recommendation to approve Amendment to LACAHSA Conflict of Interest Code. (25-2214)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 20 -

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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13. Recommendation to amend the LACAHSA Bylaws to modify the location of LACAHSA Board Meetings to include meeting rooms at Metropolitan Water District (MWD) (700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012) or meeting rooms at Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) (900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, California 90017). Amendments to the LACAHSA Bylaws require a two-thirds (2/3) vote pursuant to Bylaws Section 2 of Chapter 1. (25-2215)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

On motion of Board Member Kevin Murray, seconded by Board Member Emma Sharif, the LACAHSA Board approved this item. Said motion was duly carried by the following vote:

Chair Rex Richardson, 1st Vice Chair Miguel A. Santana, **Aves:** 20 -2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez, Board Member Karen Bass, Alternate Board Member Anders Corey (for Board Member Kathryn Barger), Board Member Jorgel Chavez, Board Member Jason Gibbs, Board Member Alan Greenlee, Alternate Board Member Ivan Sulic (for Board Member Janice Hahn). Alternate Board Member Rachel Brashier (for Board Member Marqueece Harris-Dawson), Board Member Lindsey P. Horvath, Board Member Jonathan Jager, Board Member Zerita Jones, Board Member Natalie Knott, Board Member Jed Leano, Board Member John A. Mirisch, Board Member Holly J. Mitchell, Board Member Kevin Murray, Board Member Emma Sharif, and Alternate Board Member Daniella Urbina (for Board Member Hilda L. Solis)

Absent: 1 - Board Member Nithya Raman

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V. REPORTS

- **14.** Receive and File Interim CEO's Report.
 - a. Citizens' Oversight Committee Application and Process Overview
 - b. LACAHSA Infrastructure
 - c. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Grant for Strategic Planning and Funding (25-2216)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and called upon LACAHSA Interim CEO, Ryan Johnson, to present his report.

Mr. Johnson reported that LACAHSA will be initiating the Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) applications and plans to seat the COC in May 2025. Michael Maurer, BBK Partner and LACAHSA's General Counsel, reported that state legislation SB 679 lists different qualifications for each position on the COC.

Mr. Johnson welcomed and opened the floor for the new LACAHSA staff to provide self-introductions.

Louisa Amott, Chief of Human Resources, and Claudia Lima, Managing Director of Strategic Investments, provided a brief overview of their professional work experiences and expressed excitement in working with everyone involved with LACAHSA

Mr. Johnson reported that in the future LACAHSA plans on hiring a Chief of Intergovernmental and Engagement and in the upcoming week, LACAHSA will be meeting with SCAG (Southern Council of Governments) representatives to select a consultant to assist with LACAHSA's work with the Council of Governments (COGs). Both, 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez and Board Member Jorgel Chavez will help LACAHSA with this planning process.

To address concerns from the LACAHSA Board related to the hiring of a permanent LACAHSA CEO and other staff hiring, Chair Richardson explained that the discussion regarding the search for personnel will be held in "Closed Session" at the next LACAHSA Board meeting.

Mr. Johnson announced that the LACAHSA Chief Program Officer will start on Monday, April 21, 2025.

Board Member Holly J. Mitchell thanked 2nd Vice Chair Victor A. Sanchez for of his work dedicated to LACAHSA and highlighted the significant time and equity that the LACAHSA Board has invested in creating opportunities for LACAHSA.

Chair Rex Richardson added that the search for LACAHSA's permanent CEO was anticipated from the start. Given that LACAHSA is a relative new agency, it is conducting several national searches to onboard staff. Chair Richardson thanked all the policy experts, city leaders, and elected leaders that serve on the LACAHSA Board for their composure during the building process of LACAHSA.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

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Public Comment/Written Correspondence

15. Receive and File report by the Budget and Administrative Executive Committee. (25-2217)

Chair Rex Richardson introduced this item and called upon Ryan Johnson, LACAHSA Interim CEO, to present this report.

Mr. Johnson reported that on Monday, April 14, 2025, the Budget and Administrative Executive Committee discussed the matters that were presented to the LACAHSA Board. Mr. Johnson shared that there was a robust conversation regarding the budget re allocation and future matters that will come before the Budget and Administrative Executive Committee.

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. There was no public comment on this item.

<u>Attachments:</u> Public Comment/Written Correspondence

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

16. Matters not posted on the agenda, to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting or matters that require immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA) subsequent to the distribution of the LACAHSA Agenda. (25-2052)

There were none.

<u>Attachments:</u> Public Comment/Written Correspondence

Public Comment

17. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA) on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the LACAHSA Agenda. (25-2053)

Opportunity was given to members of the public to address the LACAHSA Board. Richelle Callies, who joined the meeting in-person, addressed the LACAHSA Board.

Attachments: Public Comment/Written Correspondence

Adjournment

18. Adjournment of the April 16, 2025, meeting of the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency. (25-2054)

Chair Rex Richardson adjourned the April 16, 2025 LACAHSA meeting at 3:28 p.m.