

**ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
March 5, 2009**

ROOM 525, KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 West Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Editorial Note: Agenda sections may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chair. Any reordering of sections is reflected in the presentation of these minutes.

I. CALL TO ORDER

With the presence of a quorum of commissioners, Chairman Isaac Barcelona called the Commission meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

The following was the attendance for the meeting:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

*Clayton R. Anderson
Fred P. Balderrama
Isaac Diaz Barcelona
Robert Cole
Jonathan S. Fuhrman
Alan M. Glassman
Ronald K. Ikejiri
Chun Y. Lee
Bradley H. Mindlin
Adam Murray
Freda Hinsche Otto
William J. Petak
Robert H. Philibosian
Janice Kamenir-Reznik
Robert E. Sax
Solon C. Soteras*

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

*Hope J. Boonshaft
Royal F. Oakes
Roman Padilla*

COMMISSIONERS NOT REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

Tony Tortorice

Chairman Barcelona asked for a motion to approve absences. It was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted: Commissioners requesting an excuse are excused.

III. APPROVAL OF February 5, 2009 MINUTES

Chairman Barcelona asked if there were any objections to the minutes of the **February 5, 2009** Commission meeting. Hearing none, the motion was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted. The minutes of the **February 5, 2009** Commission meeting are approved.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. Chairman Barcelona reported that Commissioner Cole is running for California State Senate, District 26.
2. Chairman Barcelona reported that Los Angeles County Ombudsman, John Fernandes is now the Director of Emergency Planning and Management with the Chief Executive Office.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Eng reported that Commissioner Murray offered to provide a special tour of Skid Row for the Economy and Efficiency Commission. Mr. Eng stated that if there is enough interest, then the Commission will go on the tour in place of the scheduled presentation. After taking a quick vote, most Commissioners expressed interests in taking the tour in place of the regularly scheduled Presentation.

VI. TASK FORCE REPORT

1. Child Care Fraud – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian, Chair

Chair-Emeritus Philibosian reported that a meeting has been scheduled on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 with confirmed attendees from the DA's office, DPSS, and the Commission's task force. The task force will get a status update and report back to the Commission its findings.

2. Strategic Planning Project: Commissioner Glassman

Commissioner Glassman reported that the task force has completed interviewing all Department Heads and are now interviewing DCEOs and Board Offices' Chief Deputies. All Commissioners appointed by his or her Board office are invited to the interview with that Board Office. Commissioner Glassman also summarized some emerging themes for the Strategic Planning Report.

VII. LIAISON REPORTS

1. Local Government Service Commission – Commissioner Fuhrman

Commissioner Fuhrman reported that he attended the Local Government Services Commission Taxi Cab Task Force meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2009. He stated that the Commission is making progress on their taxi cab regulation initiative; they're focusing specifically on trying to come up with a single source for background checks for the County and all cities within the County.

2. Quality & Productivity Commission – Commissioner Anderson

Commissioner Anderson stated that there is nothing new to report.

3. Countywide Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian

Chair-Emeritus Philibosian stated that there is nothing new to report.

VIII. PRESENTATION

Chairman, Board of Supervisors, Don Knabe presented information on his Vision and Priorities in a Challenging Economy.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Glassman reported that because there is such a natural correlation between the Strategic Planning and Governance projects, the task force is considering integrating the two studies when reporting back to the Board of Supervisors. After hearing the benefits and weaknesses of such a proposal, Commissioners Glassman and Fuhrman will convene a joint task force meeting of Strategic Planning and Governance to study the viability of integrating the 2 studies.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Barcelona at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Eng,
Executive Director