AGENDA & NOTICE

LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY
NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021, 5:30 P.M.

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CHRISSE CASTRO, Chairperson
Navajo

RUDY ORTEGA JR., Vice Chairperson
Fernandeño Tataviam

CHERI THOMAS, Secretary
Quinault/Yurok

SHAWN IMITATES-DOG, Treasurer
Lakota

ANDREA N. GARCIA, M.D., Commissioner
Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara

ALLISON HICKS, Commissioner
Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation/

DAWN JACKSON, Commissioner
Saginaw Chippewa

ROBERT JUDKINS, Commissioner
Apache

FRED LEAF, Commissioner
Potawatomi

KIMBERLY MORALES JOHNSON, Commissioner
Gabrieleno Tongva

ALEXANDRA VALDES
Executive Director
Tlingit/Athabascan

RANDALL MURPHY, Commissioner
Choctaw/Lakota

JOSEPH A. QUINTANA, Commissioner
Kewa Pueblo

TED TENORIO, Commissioner
Tiguan Nation

MARK VILLASEÑOR, Commissioner
Fernandeño Tataviam

RENE’ WILLIAMS, Commissioner
Colville Tribes

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION
3. ROLL CALL
4. ACTION ITEMS
4.1 Adopt the findings to hold the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission meetings by teleconference in accordance with LA County health guidelines for the next 30 days
5. COMMISSIONER & STAFF INTRODUCTIONS
6. PUBLIC COMMENT
7. ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED
7.1. Review and take possible action adopting the October 19, 2021 Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) Unapproved Meeting Minutes
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LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION
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7.2. Review the 2022 & 2023 Executive Committee Slate of Nominees and take action to select a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer

8. PRESENTATION
8.1 County of Los Angeles Workforce Development, Aging & Community Services Department Realignment Updates (Epifanio Peinado, Supervising Administrator)

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
9.1. County of Los Angeles Vaccine Mandate
9.2. Candlelight Vigil Recap
9.3. County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors Board Order Updates & Board Priority Updates
   9.3.1. Indigenous Peoples Day 2021 Board Motion (October 5, 2021)
   9.4. Native American Heritage Month 2021 Board Motion (November 2, 2021)

10. CARE FIRST, COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT
   10.1. Updates (Joey Williams, LANAIC Lead - CFCI Advisory)

11. COMMITTEE & AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS
11.1. Natives in LA COVID Response Working Group
11.2. 2021 Native American Heritage Month Ad Hoc Committee

12. COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

14. COMMISSION ADJOURNMENT

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Contact: www.lanaic.org, contact@lanaic.org, or (213) 738-3241
The meeting of the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission October 19, 2021 was held virtually.

Vice Chairperson Rudy Ortega Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Commissioner Kimberly Morales Johnson provided an opening blessing.

Present: Rudy Ortega Jr. (Vice Chairperson), Cheri Thomas (Secretary), Shawn Imitates-Dog (Treasurer), Dr. Andrea Garcia, Allison Hicks, Dawn Jackson, Robert Judkins, Kimberly Morales Johnson, Joseph Quintana, Mark Villasenor, Rene’ Williams

Absent: Chrissie Castro (Chairwoman) (excused), Fred Leaf (unexcused), Randall Murphy (excused), Ted Tenorio (excused)

Quorum was met.

Staff Present: Alexandra Valdes, Executive Director

Holding Meetings via Teleconference

A motion was made by Commissioner Andrea Garcia and seconded by Secretary Cheri Thomas to adopt the findings to hold the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission meetings by teleconference in accordance with LA County health guidelines for the next 30 days. The motion passed.

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Commissioner & Staff Introductions

All commissioners present and Alexandra Valdes, the Executive Director, provided brief introductions.

Public Comment

Keith Vielle addressed the Commission and proposed hosting an event to honor and acknowledge the children and survivors of boarding schools in the United States and Canada. He proposed hosting the event at Grand Park in front of City Hall and having City Hall lit up in orange to help raise awareness. The LANAIC shared support for this event and encouraged Alexandra to continue working with Keith to plan and coordinate it. Commissioner Morales Johnson shared that it would be important to inform Sherman Indian School about the event.

Action Items

Review & Approval of the Unapproved September 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Andrea Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Dawn Jackson to approve the unapproved September 21, 2021 LANAIC Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion passed.

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Review 2021 Native American Heritage Month Honoree Slate of Nominees and take action selecting 2021 Spirit of Community, Spirit of Tradition and Spirit of Creativity honorees

The Commission reviewed the slate of 2021 Native American Heritage Month Honoree nominees. Commissioner Kimberly Morales Johnson approved moving Angie Dorame Behrns for consideration from Spirit of Community to Spirit of Tradition. The following individuals were selected:

- Spirit of Tradition: Angie Dorame Behrns
- Spirit of Community: Tracy Perez
- Spirit of Creativity: Tazbah Chavez
Presentations

County of Los Angeles Youth Commission Introduction (Commissioner Jacqueline Robles, County of Los Angeles Youth Commission)

County of Los Angeles Youth Commissioner Jacqueline Robles introduced herself to the LANAIC and briefly shared about the work for the newly established Youth Commission.

County of Los Angeles Workforce Development, Aging & Community Services Department Realignment Updates (Epifanio Peinado, Supervising Administrator)

Epifanio Peinado, Supervising Administrator for the County of Los Angeles Workforce Development, Aging & Community Services Department (WDACS) provided updates on the realignment of WDACS. He shared that they anticipate transitioning the LANAIC into a new County environment in January 2022 and confirmed that WDACS will continue to provide necessary supportive services during the transition to ensure no disruption in operations or services provided.

LA City Indigenous LAnd Initiatives Update (David Giron, Senior Advisor, Office of Councilmember Mitch O’Farrell)

David Giron, Senior Advisor for Councilmember Mitch O’Farrell provided an update to the Commission about LA City’s Indigenous LAnd Initiative that was announced by Mayor Garcetti and Councilmember O’Farrell on Indigenous Peoples Day.

Executive Director Report

County of Los Angeles Vaccine Mandate

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting.

County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors Board Order Updates & Board Priority Updates

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting.

Care First Community Investment Advisory Committee Report

CFCI Updates, Joey Williams, LANAIC CFCI Advisory Body Lead

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting.

Committee & Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Natives in LA COVID Response Working Group

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting.

2021 Native American Heritage Month Ad Hoc Committee

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting.
2021 Indigenous Peoples Day Ad Hoc Committee

This item was tabled until the November 16, 2021 LANAIC meeting

Commissioner General Comments On Non-Agenda Items

No comments were made.

Announcements/Future Agenda Items

No announcements or future agenda items were provided.

Commission Adjournment

The Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission meeting of October 19, 2021 was adjourned by Chairperson Castro at 7:17 PM.