



# AGENDA & NOTICE

LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY  
NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION  
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEETING  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, 2023, 5:30 P.M.**

**Meeting Location:** Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Sybil Brand Room  
500 W Temple St  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**To Provide Public Comment:** You may submit written public comment via email to [aferguson@lanaic.lacounty.gov](mailto:aferguson@lanaic.lacounty.gov). Please submit your public comment or documentation as soon as possible but no later than 5 p.m. the night before the scheduled meeting.

ANDREA N. GARCIA, M.D., Chair  
*Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara*

DENISE ESCOTO, Commissioner  
*Northern Cheyenne*

RENE' WILLIAMS, Commissioner  
*Colville Tribes*

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 5. ACTION ITEMS**

5.1 Review and take possible action adopting the January 16th, 2024 Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) Homelessness Subcommittee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

## **6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 6.1 Discuss follow-up with City of Los Angeles
- 6.2 Discuss possibility of presenting at a Los Angeles County homelessness cluster meeting
- 6.3 Discuss pending reports and timeline
- 6.4 Discuss updates on Fall 2024 research symposium with USC Homelessness Policy Research Institute

## **7. CHAIR'S REPORT**

- 7.1 AIAN Homelessness Board Motion Updates
- 7.2 AIAN Housing Collaborative Updates

## **8. COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

## **9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **10. COMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT**

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**LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN  
INDIAN COMMISSION UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
HOMELESSNESS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING OF  
January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

ANDREA N. GARCIA, M.D., Chair  
*Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara*

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*Northern Cheyenne*

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The January 16, 2023, meeting of the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) Homelessness Subcommittee was held at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Sybil Brand Room, 500 W Temple St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair of the Homelessness Subcommittee Dr. Andrea Garcia called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Andrea Garcia  
Rene' Williams  
Denise Escoto

Absent:

Quorum was met.

Staff Present: Alexandra Valdes, Stephanie Guadron

**COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS**

Commissioners provided a brief check in.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was submitted.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Review & Approval of the Unapproved December 19th, 2023, Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) Homelessness Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rene' Williams and seconded by Commissioner Denise Escoto to approve the unapproved December 19th, 2023 LANAIC Homelessness Subcommittee Meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Discuss follow-up with City of LA and develop an agenda and talking points for anticipated meeting with LA City Chief Housing and Homelessness Officer

Commissioner Garcia shared that she reached out to Jared Rivera on 1/6/24 for follow-up on the homelessness request letter, and requested an introduction/meeting with the LA City Chief homelessness person and other relevant staff. She shared that this was the 4th communication to the city regarding the budget request. Executive Director (ED) Alexandra Valdes shared that Solomon Rivera reached out to her the week of 1/8/24 regarding the letter. ED Alexandra Valdes stated she would loop Commissioner Garcia (subcommittee chairperson) into that communication. Development of an agenda for a possible meeting was tabled.

6.2 Discuss pending reports and timelines

Commissioner Garcia shared that she was unable to craft the messaging and contact list in time for a 1/9/24 release of the infographic and social media assets. A new date of 1/24/24 was identified for a release, pending staff availability to assist. Email communication will be sent to Commissioners, respectively, and a short list of City/County contacts will be provided to ED Alexandra Valdes for her to send.

6.3 Discuss potential for community reconvening and report back

This discussion was identified as important but tabled to a future meeting

6.4 Discuss Fall 2024 research symposium with USC Homelessness Policy Research Institute

(HPRI)

6.4.1 Outreach to HPRI for 2 possible dates, and whether this is in-person or virtual

Commissioner Garcia will email HPRI staff to request 1-2 September dates. The pros and cons of in-person or virtual event was discussed and it was decided that further information from HPRI would be helpful.

6.4.2 Develop plan for outreach to potential speakers

Outreach will be conducted once a date and nature of event is finalized. Potential speakers to date include Jesse Thistle, Abigail Echohawk, Alyssa Macias, someone with lived experience, potentially a report out from the new We the Resilient report being drafted.

6.4.3 Discuss budget needs and sources

To be discussed with Housing Collaborative, HPRI, Commissioner Garcia's Stanton budget, as well as internal homelessness budget

## **1. CHAIR'S REPORT**

1.1. AIAN Homelessness Board Motion Updates

A request for report back to the LANAIC by CEO HI and consultant was revisited.

1.2 AIAN Housing Collaborative Updates - none

COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Imitates Dog asked how AIAN relatives experiencing homelessness are typically identified.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

To be requested for the main LANAIC agenda: A report back to the LANAIC by CEO HI and consultant

COMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:57 P.M.

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