



AGENDA

LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY
NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION
SELF GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: County of Los Angeles Hall of Administration
Sybil Brand Room 372
500 W. Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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DAWN JACKSON, Chairperson
Saginaw Chippewa

SHAWN IMITATES DOG, Commissioner
Lakota

JOHN ONLY A CHIEF, Vice Chairperson
Pawnee Nation

MONA MORALES RECALDE, Commissioner
Gabrieleno Tongva

DENISE ESCOTO, Secretary
Northern Cheyenne

RENE' WILLIAMS, Commissioner
Colville Tribes

DR. ANDREA GARCIA, Treasurer
Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara

ALEXANDRA VALDES
Executive Director
Tlingit/Athabascan

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Invocation**
- 3. Roll Call**
- 4. Commissioner Introductions**
- 5. Review and take possible action adopting unapproved November 18, 2025 Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission Self Governance Board Meeting Minutes**

- 6. Select 2026 LANAIC SGB Executive Committee**
- 7. Review and adopt LANAIC SGB bylaws revision to reduce number of annual meetings from 12 to at least 4**
- 8. Chair's Report**
 - a. General Updates**
- 9. Executive Director's Report**
 - a. Community Services Block Grant Native American Set-Aside Program and Fiscal Report**
 - b. 2025 CSBG Annual Report Recap**
 - c. CSBG Impacts from Federal Government**
- 10. Commissioner General Comments on Non-Agenda Items**
- 11. Announcements/Future Agenda Items**
- 12. Public Comment**
- 13. Board Adjournment**

Next Meeting: March 17, 2026 from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Location: Hall of Administration, Room 372, 500 W. Temple Street, LA, CA 90012

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Approved:



Chairperson Dawn Jackson



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November 18, 2025 Unapproved Meeting Minutes

The November, 2025 Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission Self Governance Board (LANAIC SGB) meeting was at the County of Los Angeles Hall of Administration, Sybil Brand Room 372, 500 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dawn Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

INVOCATION

Vice Chairperson John Only A Chief provided an invocation.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present:

Chairperson Dawn Jackson (Remote)
Vice Chairperson John Only A Chief
Treasurer Dr. Andrea Garcia
Shawn Imitates Dog
Mona Morales Recalde
Rene' Williams

The following Commissioners were absent:

Secretary Denise Escoto

Quorum was met.

The following staff were present:

Alexandra Valdes, LANAIC Executive Director

COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioners provided brief introductions, including their names, the office for which they were appointed, and their tribal affiliation.

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ADOPTING UNAPPROVED OCTOBER 21, 2025 LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION SELF GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Andrea Garcia and seconded by Rene' Williams to approve the unapproved November 18, 2025, LANAIC SGB Meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed.



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YES	Garcia, Williams, Only A Chief, Morales Recalde, Jackson (remote)
NO	
ABSTAIN	Imitates Dog
ABSENT	Escoto

REVIEW AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE BYLAWS REVISION TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ANNUAL MEETINGS FROM 12 TO 6

The LANAIC SGB reviewed the below possible bylaws revision:

To amend Article IX. Meetings, Section 2., as follows: Regular monthly meetings shall be held at least 6 times a year as such place and time as determined by the Board, except that the Board may change the date of the meeting at its discretion as long as at least one regular meeting is held each month. Meeting shall be scheduled at a time suitable for a regular work schedule in private industry (Monday Friday) regular work hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) so as not to be in conflict with Board meetings.

The LANAIC SGB agreed to revise the bylaw amendment to be considered for adoption at the January 20, 2026 meeting to be:

To amend Article IX. Meetings, Section 2., as follows: Regular monthly meetings shall be held at least 4 times a year as such place and time as determined by the Board, except that the Board may change the date of the meeting at its discretion as long as at least one regular meeting is held each month. Meeting shall be scheduled at a time suitable for a regular work schedule in private industry (Monday Friday) regular work hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) so as not to be in conflict with Board meetings.

Alexandra shared that per the revision process outlined in the bylaws, that now since the revision has been discussed at a public meeting, it can now be agendized for possible action at the next regular LANAIC meeting (January 20, 2026) and will need 2/3s of the members present to support it for it to be adopted.

CHAIR’S REPORT

General Updates

No updates were provided.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT NATIVE AMERICAN SET-ASIDE PROGRAM AND FISCAL REPORT

The CSBG program and fiscal reports were tabled until information could be confirmed with staff who are currently out of the office.

CSBG IMPACTS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



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Alexandra Valdes shared brief updates on the current status of CSBG. She shared that the federal government shutdown had concluded. However, it impacted staffing at the Office of Community Services at HHS, causing delays in issuing the 2026 CSBG contracts to states. During the shutdown, many CSBG staff were fired and then forced to be rehired. However, they were out of the office for some time, so they are catching up and are behind in issuing the 2026 CSBG contracts. As a result, the State of California will delay issuing CSBG contracts to contractor agencies.

COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Mona Morales Recalde requested a social media toolkit to help share out about CSBG services. Alexandra shared that she will inquire with the Department of Arts and Culture staff about developing this resource for SGB members to share.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No announcements or future agenda items were shared.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Dawn Jackson adjourned the meeting at 6:20 PM.



2026 LANAIC SGB Executive Committee Nominations

Chairperson

- Dawn Jackson

Vice Chairperson

- Rene' Williams
- John Only A Chief

Treasurer

- Andrea Garcia

Secretary

- John Only A Chief
- Denise Escoto



Proposed Bylaws Revisions

The following proposed bylaw revision was presented for discussion at the November 18, 2025 meeting of the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission Self Governance Board. It is being presented at the January 20, 2026 LANAIC SGB meeting for possible adoption.

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