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ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
September 3, 2026

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.*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Lacking a quorum of commissioners, Chair Everard called the Commission meeting to order at 10:41 a.m.

2. OF APPROVAL COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

The following was the attendance for the meeting:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT
Benjamin Everard
Cathy Hood
Dora Sandoval
Irene Shandell-Taylor
John Anthony Schmitz
Connie Sullivan
Vasken Yardemian

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED
Jordan Greer
Jacob Haik
Steven Lei
Peter Lyons
Teresa Dreyfuss
Thomas Liu
Katherine McKeon
Stephen Pritchard
Craig Taubman
Jennifer Williams
Joshua Yahr
Cesar Zaldivar-Motts

3. APPROVAL OF JUNE 5, 2026 & JULY 9, 2026 MINUTES

Chair Everard stated that no corrections or amendments to the June 5, 2026 & July 9, 2026, minutes could be made without a quorum of commissioners.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at the September meeting.

5. Guest Speaker

There was no guest speaker for the September meeting.

REPORTS

i. CCJCC

Commissioner Hood indicated that there was nothing new to report.

ii. E&E COMMISSION PROJECTS

AI Task Force: Cathy Hood (3rd), John Schmitz (2nd), Steven Lei (3rd), Thomas Liu (3rd), Ben Everard (5th), Connie Sullivan (4th), Aaron Greenberg (2nd), Irene Shandell-Taylor (CGJ).

Commissioner Hood announced that the task force had convened and would meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon. She stated that the task force had refined the scope of its work and was discussing which counties and private-sector entities to consult for the report.

Commissioner Hood asked Assistant Executive Officer (AEO) Kellie Johnson whether the task force could take any steps to obtain more information about artificial intelligence (AI). Ms. Johnson suggested holding forums and collaborating with various county departments. She also expressed her hope that the commissions would provide greater support for one another and consider holding small meetings in different districts to keep the public informed about the county's work and the reports currently in progress. In addition, she briefly discussed the potential merger of the Quality and Productivity Commission and the E&E Commission. She stated that, although the commissions may merge, they would remain separate entities.

Rental Assistance Task Force: Jennifer Williams (2nd), Craig Taubman (1st), Cathy Hood (3rd), John Schmitz (1st), Dora Sandoval (4th), Katie McKeon (2nd).

Administrative Assistant Pittmon stated that the Rental Assistance Task Force is presently on hold.

Return to Work Task Force: Connie Sullivan (4th), Peter Lyons (5th)

Commissioner Sullivan reported that she has not yet heard back from any board offices and will personally submit the Disability Management & Light Duty Task Force Report to the 4th District Deputy, as the deputy's office indicated that it had not received a copy.

Commissioner Sullivan also reported that, before submitting the report to the 4th District, she identified an item that required correction. She stated that her district was listed incorrectly and needed to be amended in the report. Administrative Assistant stated that she would correct the information and resubmit the report.

6. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENT

There was nothing new to report.

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7. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

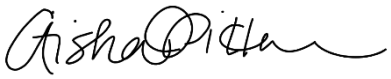
Administrative Assistant Pittmon encouraged each Commissioner to contact their respective districts to identify new projects or reports that the Board may wish the Commission to undertake. She also urged the Commission to begin considering ideas for additional task force initiatives.

Administrative Assistant Pittmon also reported that all Commission meetings will take place on the 1st Floor in Room 140.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Everard adjourned the meeting at 11:05 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



Executive Assistant, Aisha Pittmon