

Thursday, April 16, 2026

Minutes

1. The YCC was called to order at 5:36pm.

Name	SD	4/16/26 Regular Mtg
Rene Jimenez	SD 1	Yes
Eliana Ibarra	SD 1	Yes
Matthew Carranza	SD 1	Yes
Nanci Torres	SD 2	Yes
Alyssa Jaipersaud	SD 2	Yes
Emmanuel Alcantar	SD 2	Yes
Kevin Patel	SD 2	Yes
Sim Bilal	SD 2	Yes
Justin Wilken	SD 3	Yes
Marcos Moreno	SD 3	Yes
Max Riley	SD 3	Yes
Sarahjeet Dosanjh	SD 3	Yes
Guisel Hernandez	SD 4	Yes
Jordan Salcido	SD 4	Yes
Mayra Catalan-Orozco	SD 4	Yes
Rebecca Gloyer	SD 4	No
Jorge Diaz	SD 4	No
Ryan Valenzuela-Holguin	SD 5	Yes
Niloofar Sahimi	SD 5	Yes
Arianna Lawrence	SD 5	Yes
Karissa Rodriguez	SD 5	No

Chief Sustainability Office: Victoria Simon, Julie Gomez
Consultant: Christy Zamani, Catalina Gonzalez

Chair Max Riley announced a new Commissioner, Commissioner Matthew Carranza (SD 1) has joined. Also, Commissioners Price and Mitchell will no longer be with YCC.

2. Public Comment –

Ana Sodrirer spoke about the importance of climate action plans, especially adaptive reuse and circular economy practices, and holding governments accountable for implementation.

Samantha Lau appreciated the Commissions participation in the Food Day Festival and stressed the importance of youth-led climate action.

Anson Sun (also speaking for Angelina) shared concerns from students at Rowland High School about the environmental and community impacts of data centers.

3. Approval of minutes

Minutes from January 29, 2026.

Commissioner Patel motioned to approve the meeting minutes and second by Commissioner Sahimi.

4. Presentations

- Sarah Wolf from US Green Building Council presented on Green Buildings
- Jonah Henry from the Sunrise Movement presented on Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act
- Sofia Ramirez from the No Data Center SGV Coalition presented on Threats of Battery Energy Storage Systems and Data Centers

5. Approval of Letter of Recommendation on Data Center

Commissioner Carranza motioned to discuss the items and second by Commission Dosanjh.

Azar Kattan from Department of Public Health opened the discussion for questions and answers. She provided an overview of how Los Angeles County is handling two separate issues: large battery energy storage systems (BESS) and data centers.

She also explained that the County's authority applies only to unincorporated areas, so it cannot regulate data centers or BESS projects in incorporated cities like Vernon, the City of Industry, or Monterey Park. Regarding data centers specifically, Kattan highlighted environmental and public-health-related concerns, including heavy power and water use and noise from substations and backup generators.

There was a discussion on the letter of recommendation. Commissioner Jimenez motioned to amend the letter and it was second by Commissioner Patel.

Commissioner Patel motioned to pass the letter with amendment and was second by Commissioner Moreno.

6. Chisty Zamani led the discussion on Outreach & Engagement.
7. Legislative Committee led the discussion on their tracking of legislation and provided recommendations to the YCC on the next steps.
8. Chair Riley provided update on the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Ad Hoc Committee and shared that the Ad Hoc work is complete.
9. Chair Riley motioned to adjourn the meeting and second by Commissioner Patel. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.