



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BLUE-RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS**

**KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**



Wednesday, October 6, 2021

9:00 AM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING (21-4056)

Attachments: [Audio Link](#)

Call to Order. (21-3913)

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Co-Chair Sarah Dusseault, Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness.

Present: Co-Chair Sarah Dusseault, Co-Chair Christian Horvath, Commissioner Theane Evangelis, Commissioner Wendy Greuel, Commissioner LaCheryl Porter, Commissioner Marcel Rodarte, Commissioner Vanessa Sedano, and Commissioner Becky A. Shevlin

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Continuation of Commission Meetings by Teleconference in Compliance with AB 361. (21-3932)

Ms. Mary Wickham, Executive Director, Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH), provided that, pursuant to action by the Board of Supervisors, the BRCH would continue meeting virtually due to the ongoing emergency.

A member of the public commented on this item.

On motion of Co-Chair Horvath, seconded by Commissioner Greuel, and duly carried by the following vote, the BRCH received the information presented:

Ayes: 7 – Commissioner Evangelis, Commissioner Greuel, Commissioner Porter, Commissioner Sedano, Commissioner Shevlin, Co-Chair Dusseault, Co-Chair Horvath

Absent: 1 – Commissioner Rodarte

II. PRESENTATION

2. Presentation by Ann Oliva re: Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority: Report on Governance, February 2021. (21-3912)

Ms. Ann Oliva, Vice President for Housing Policy, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, provided an overview of the findings in her report prepared for the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Ad-Hoc Committee on Governance.

Commissioner Sedano inquired about outreach after LAHSA transitioned to a system administrator and whether service providers felt there was an overlap. Ms. Oliva provided that service providers expressed frustration about lack of resources, but not about overlap with LAHSA's outreach services.

Commissioner Evangelis requested clarification on the system administrator role. Ms. Oliva provided that LAHSA's role in compliance and grant administration has expanded to strategic planning, data management, and management of the rehousing system.

Commissioner Sedano inquired whether it was a best practice for a single organization to manage the substantial budget increase during the pandemic. Ms. Oliva provided that no other jurisdiction is comparable to Los Angeles County in size or local government structure and that LAHSA was the only viable option to take the funding.

Commissioner Shevlin inquired about the authority of LAHSA to take on an expanded role as system administrator.

Commissioner Porter inquired whether examples exist in other jurisdictions in which the system administrator is the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT

3. Opportunity for members of the public to address the BRCH on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the BRCH.

You may submit public comment by email to BRCH@brch.lacounty.gov.

Written public comment or documentation must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. the day before the scheduled meeting. Please include the agenda item and meeting date in your correspondence. Correspondence received shall become part of the official record. (21-3565)

No members of the public addressed the BRCH.

Attachments: [Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

ADJOURNMENT

4. Adjournment for the October 6, 2021 Special Meeting. (21-3915)

Co-Chair Dusseault adjourned the special meeting at 10:10 a.m.