

**ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
July 9, 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

With the presence of a quorum of commissioners, Chair Everard called the Commission meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. OF APPROVAL COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

The following was the attendance for the meeting:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Benjamin Everard
Cathy Hood
Steven Lei
Peter Lyons
Katherine McKeon
John Anthony Schmitz
Connie Sullivan
Joshua Yahr
Vasken Yardemian
Cesar Zaldivar-Motts

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

Jordan Greer
Jacob Haik
Teresa Dreyfuss
Thomas Liu
Stephen Pritchard
Dora Sandoval
Irene Shandell-Taylor
Craig Taubman
Jennifer Williams

3. APPROVAL OF JUNE 5, 2026 MINUTES

Chair Everard asked if there were any objections or changes to the minutes of the June 5, 2026 & July 9, 2026, Commission meeting. Hearing no changes, the motion was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted. The minutes of the June and July 2026 Commission meetings were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was a public comment made from a LA County constituent who wanted to speak with the Commission regarding the Board of Supervisors and how he was treated at their meeting. He stated that he would write a formal complaint and will come back to the September meeting.

5. Guest Speaker

The guest speaker for the July meeting was Mr. William Parent, Chair of the Quality & Productivity Commission.

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 convened a meeting, which is scheduled on the first Wednesday of each month at twelve o'clock noon. She stated that the task force has refined the scope of its work and is currently engaging in discussions regarding the specific counties and private sector entities to consult for the report.

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)

Administrative Assistant Pittmon stated that the report will be ready for distribution to all Board Offices and County Department Heads after the meeting.

6. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENT

There was nothing new to report.

7. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Administrative Assistant Pittmon also reported that Commissioner Aaron Greenberg resigned from the Commission as he has moved to another state.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Everard adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aisha Pittmon", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Executive Assistant, Aisha Pittmon