

# ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING October 1, 2009

# 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.

# I. CALL TO ORDER

With the presence of a quorum of Commissioners, Chairman Isaac Barcelona called the Commission meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

# II. APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

The following was the attendance for the meeting:

#### **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Fred H. Balderrama Isaac Diaz Barcelona Robert Cole Jeffrey C. Cox Jonathan S. Fuhrman Alan M. Glassman Chun Y. Lee Bradley H. Mindlin Adam Murray Freda Hinsche Otto Roman Padilla Robert H. Philibosian Janice Kamenir-Reznik Robert E. Sax

# **COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED**

Clayton R. Anderson Ronald K. Ikejiri Royal F. Oakes William J. Petak Solon C. Soteras

## **COMMISSIONERS NOT REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED**

Hope J. Boonshaft

Chairman Barcelona asked for a motion to approve absences. It was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted: Commissioners requesting an excuse are excused.



## III. APPROVAL OF September 3,2009 MINUTES

Chairman Barcelona asked if there were any objections or changes to the minutes of the September 3, 2009 Commission meeting. Hearing none, the motion was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted. The minutes of the September 3, 2009 Commission meeting are approved.

## IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Barcelona introduced Commissioner Jeffrey Cox to the Commission. He stated that Commissioner Cox was the Los Angeles Civil Grand Jury Foreperson for 2008-2009. He also stated that Commissioner Cox was appointed by Supervisor Knabe on September 29, 2009 to serve on the Citizens' Economy & Efficiency Commission as the 21<sup>st</sup> member of the Commission.

Commissioner Cox stated that he was incredibly honored to be at the meeting and to serve on the Commission.

Chairman Barcelona reported that on behalf of the Commission he would like to recognize Commissioner Sax for his dedicated service to the Commission. He stated that Commissioner Sax was the Los Angels Civil Grand Jury Foreperson for 2006-2007, and he was also a productive member for both the Governance and Strategic Planning Task Forces. Chairman Barcelona presented Commissioner Robert E. Sax with Scrolls from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Districts.

Commissioner Sax thanked Administrative Assistant Aisha Pittmon for being very efficient and for her hard work and dedication; he also thanked Executive Director Edward Eng for his professionalism, expertise, guidance, and dedication in leading the Commission and production of its impactful studies. He also thanked the Board of Supervisors for appointing him and allowing him to serve on the Commission. Commissioner Sax stated he enjoyed working on the Commission because it allowed him to have a voice in the County. He stated that he looks forward to hearing about upcoming projects and accomplishments with the Commission.

Chairman Barcelona reported that Commissioner Anderson has resigned from the Commission due to health issues.

# V. <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u>

Mr. Eng handed out a 2007-2008 report titled. "to the People" from the District Attorney's Office to all the Commissioners. In a personal letter from Mr. Cooley, he thanked all the Commissioners for their hard work in making Los Angeles County and its various Departments more efficient and productive.

#### TASK FORCE REPORT

## 1. Child Care Fraud – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian, Chair

Chair Emeritus Philibosian reported that there is a new Head Deputy for the District Attorneys Welfare Fraud section and his name is John Allen. Mr. Allen is a veteran of the DA's Office but new to this particular assignment. Chair Emeritus Philibosian stated that in



the near future, Executive Director Edward Eng will convene a meeting with Mr. Allen and his new Assistant Head Deputy to bring them up to date on the project. Chair Emeritus Philibosian stated that the Taskforce will convene a meeting in November and will possibly have an updated report for the meeting in December.

# VII. LIAISON REPORTS

#### Local Government Service Commission – Commissioner Fuhrman

There was nothing new to report.

## 2. Quality & Productivity Commission – Commissioner Anderson

Commissioner Sax reported that the 23rd Annual Quality & Productivity Awards Ceremony will be on October 21, 2009 under the title "Navigating a new Course". Commissioner Sax reported that 10 Department improvement efforts have been selected for recognition this year with the grand award winners to be announced at the luncheon. He reported that the top ten projects selected for recognition are: Task Force for Seniors & Dependent Adults, Older Youth Adoption Project, Medical Service Bureau Urgent Care Unit, Project 50 regarding the transition of homeless persons to permanent supportive housing, 2009 decline-in-value review and outreach, Mid-Valley Retinal Camera and Laser Clinic, Tort Liability Corrective Action Plan, Mobile ID- Blue check, Wraparound, and Sunshine Canyon Landfill Expansion.

# 3. Countywide Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian

Chair Emeritus Philibosian reported that there were routine reports of ongoing projects but no decision making activities. Chair Emeritus reported that the new City Attorney Carmen Trutanich attended his first CCJCC meeting in September.

## VIII. PRESENTATION

Acting Director, Department of Regional Planning, Jon Sanabria presented overview information on the Department of Regional Planning.

# IX. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Barcelona stated he had spoken with Supervisor Antonovich and that Supervisor Antonovich would like the Commission to proceed with conducting a study on Civil Service Reform.

Chairman Barcelona appointed Commissioner Reznik as the Task Force Chair for the Civil Service Reform Project.

## X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## XI. ADJOURNMENT



The meeting was adjourned by Chair Barcelona at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Eng,
Executive Director