

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

THURSDAY, November 1, 2007 ROOM 525, KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

Editorial Note: The Chairman may take agenda sections out of order at his discretion. The minutes may reflect reordering of these sections.

I. CALL TO ORDER OF COMMISSION MEETING

Lacking a quorum and in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, Commissioner Clayton Anderson opened the meeting as a Committee of the Whole at 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Anderson then asked if there was any objection to having the speaker, Tyler McCauley – Auditor/Controller, appear before the Commission when there was a quorum. With no objection the Executive Director informed Mr. McCauley of the situation.

II. APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

With a lack of a quorum approvals were not possible, but the following was the attendance for the meeting:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Clayton R. Anderson Jonathan S. Fuhrman Chun Y. Lee William E. Max Royal F. Oakes Freda Hinsche Otto Solon C. Soteras

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

Fred P. Balderrama
Isaac Diaz Barcelona
Hope J. Boonshaft
Ronald K. Ikejiri
Roman Padilla
William J. Petak
Robert H. Philibosian
Tony Tortorice

COMMISSIONERS NOT REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

Joanne Baltierrez Robert Cole

V. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Anderson introduced Freda Hinsche Otto as a new commissioner. Commissioner Otto then gave a short presentation on her background.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Commissioner Anderson stated that the speaker for the December meeting will be Lisa Kahn and that she will be speaking on the use of DNA in law enforcement.

The holiday luncheon will be held at Kendall's after the December meeting.

VII. LIAISON REPORTS

Local Government Service Commission (LGSC) Liaison

Commissioner Fuhrman reported that the LGSC was undertaking a study on rationalizing the operations of cabs within the county.



Quality and Productivity Commission (Q&P) Liaison

Commissioner Anderson stated that the award luncheon was held at the Music Center. The Writer's Network which is working on the Plain Language Initiative now has 30 members from 30 departments.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS – TASK FORCE REPORTS

Non-Interference

Commissioner Fuhrman indicated that the task force was giving the Chief Executive Office time to implement the new governance structure.

Grand Jury, Task Force

Commissioner Max reported that on October 15th he and the Executive Director had met with the Evaluation Committee on the Video Project. The project was subsequently approved by them. On October 31st he appeared in front of the Productivity Investment Fund Committee to present the project. They also approved the project. He now has to go before the entire Commission for funding approval. Commissioner Anderson complemented Commissioner Max on his presentation. He then asked Commissioner Max to explain the project for the benefit of Commissioner Otto, as the new commissioner.

Mr. Sax, the previous year's grand jury chair, commented that the Civil Grand Jury is funded by the county and the county gets the benefit of its operations. The value of the Civil Grand Jury depends on the quality and competence of the individuals that are in the selection pool. To the extent that individuals understand how the county operates the more appropriate will be the recommendations that are made.

Commissioner Max pointed out the report of the Civil Grand Jury on the County Hospital that got immediate action. It proved that an individual can make a difference. Commissioner Otto asked about who distributed the funding for the project, to which Commissioner Max responded that, the Quality and Productivity Commission was the funding authority. Commissioner Anderson added that the individual serving on the Civil Grand Jury has a serious responsibility.

Mr. Sax provided the Commission with a brochure on the Civil Grand Jury. He then went on to explain the requirements for service on the Civil Grand Jury. He asked how the county is to inform the populace about the opportunities for service on the Civil Grand Jury. *Commissioner Max* responded that the quality of the report issued by the Grand Jury have to be of the highest quality due to the high visibility of the topics.

Commissioner Otto asked if the video will be ready in time to impact the upcoming recruitment cycle. Commissioner Max reported that it is planned to get the video out in February 2008.

Organization & Accountability

Commissioner Oakes expressed interest over the issue of shared services. The Executive Director commented that the issue of shared services was raised prior to the implementation of the new governance structure. It will be necessary to understand the implementation of this new structure to be able to understand the issue of shared services.

Child Care Fraud

Commissioner Fuhrman reported that the task force would be having a meeting with DPSS and the DA on the response to the Commission's recommendations.

X. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Anderson inquired as to the status of the Retired Peace Office Corp. that was submitted to the Sheriff.



XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. No members of the public commented.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion from the floor, *Commissioner Anderson* adjourning the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Executive Director