

Walter Larkins, Chair
Vivian Shimoyama, Vice Chair
Becky Blair, Commissioner
Blair Cohn, Commissioner
Milton Duena, Commissioner



Austin Metoyer, Commissioner
Griselda Suarez, Commissioner
John Thomas, Commissioner
Brenda Wunsch, Commissioner

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE

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Commissioners Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas,

Present: Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Commissioners Becky Blair and Milton Duena

Absent:

REGULAR MEETING - 4:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [22-032ED](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes for the meeting held March 14, 2022.

Attachments: [Minutes 31422.pdf](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Cohn, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Milton Duena

2. [22-033ED](#)

Recommendation to receive and file an update regarding Economic Development Department communications and outreach regarding economic support programs for the month of March 2022.

Attachments: [20220418 EDC Monthly Communications Recap Memo.](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke

Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke

Dialogue ensued between Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, and Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke

Eric Romero, Economic Development Officer, spoke

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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A motion was made by Commissioner Metoyer, seconded by Commissioner Cohn, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Milton Duena

3. [22-034ED](#)

Recommendation to receive and file a presentation from Government Affairs Manager Dr. Tyler Curley regarding Senate Bill 1325 Techquity

Innovation Fund and opportunities for the City of Long Beach to partner with local non-profit organizations, education, and accelerator programs to secure funding for advancing under-represented technology startups.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Dr. Tyler Curley, Manager of Government Affairs spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Thomas spoke
Commissioner Wunsch spoke
Dr. Tyler Curley, Manager of Government Affairs spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
Dr. Tyler Curley, Manager of Government Affairs spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Dr. Tyler Curley, Manager of Government Affairs spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner nominee Robb Smith spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Dr. Tyler Curley, Manager of Government Affairs spoke
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke

A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Vice Chair Shimoyama, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Milton Duena

4. [22-035ED](#) Recommendation to conduct, receive, and file a study session with the Economic Development Commission, business and community leaders and staff regarding recommended Implementation Plan activities and strategies for inclusion in the Blueprint 2.0.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Dr. Seiji Steimetz, CSULB Department of Economics, spoke
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Thomas spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Wunsch spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
Commissioner Wunsch spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
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Commissioner Metoyer spoke
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Thomas spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Commissioner Suarez spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

A motion was made by Commissioner Wunsch, seconded by Commissioner Metoyer, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Milton Duena

5. [22-036ED](#)

Recommendation to receive and file Commissioner recommendations for future agenda items, speakers, and presentations.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Wunsch spoke
Commissioner Thomas spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Cohn spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohn, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Griselda Suarez, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Becky Blair and Milton Duena

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Members of the public are invited to address the Board on items of interest to the public within the Agency Board jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Mauna Eichner, Long Beach Heritage, spoke

COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

I, Bob Mossler, Project Analyst, Economic Development Department certify that the agenda was posted not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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