

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
VIRTUAL HYBRID VIA WEBEX, 4:00 PM**

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



Nima Novin, Commissioner
Jayro Sandoval, Commissioner
Robert Smith, Commissioner
Griselda Suarez, Commissioner
John Thomas, Commissioner
Brenda Wunsch, Commissioner

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PURSUANT TO AB361 (GOV CODE SECTION 54953(e)(1)-(2))**

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Commissioners Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert

Present: Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and
Walter Larkins

Commissioners Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

Absent:

REGULAR MEETING - 4:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [22-053ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on new Economic Development Commissioners, Jayro Sandoval and Nima Novin.

Attachments: [Sandoval Slide.pptx](#)
[Novin Slide.pptx](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Sandoval spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Novin spoke
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: 9 - Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

2. [22-054ED](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes for the meeting held July 11th and August 1st, 2022.

Attachments: [Minutes711.pdf](#)
[Minutes801.pdf](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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

Yes: 9 - Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

3. [22-055ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file an update regarding Economic Development Department communications and outreach regarding economic support programs for the month of July 2022.

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: 9 - Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

4. [22-056ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file a discussion from representatives of The Broadband Group regarding Municipal Broadband opportunities and challenges.

Attachments: [Long Beach - Economic Development Presentaton - 8.21](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
John DuPlissis, City of Long Beach, Telecommunications Officer spoke
Jeff Reiman - The Broadband Group spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Sandoval spoke
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Commissioner Sandoval spoke
Nathan Rosenberg - The Broadband Group spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
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Commissioner Thomas spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Randall Hernandez, External Affairs, Verizon & Past-Chair, Long Beach
Economic Partnership, spoke
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: 8 - Blair Cohn, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Abstain: 1 - Milton Duena

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

5. [22-057ED](#) Recommendation to discuss and approve City Management Staff recommendations to Blueprint 2.0.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
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Commissioner Thomas spoke
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Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
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Economic Development Deputy Director, Nick Schultz, spoke
Deputy City Attorney Rich Anthony spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commissioner Thomas spoke
Commissioner Wunsch spoke
Commission Chair Larkins spoke
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke
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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, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

No: 2 - Milton Duena and Robert Smith

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

6. 22-058ED Recommendation to receive and file Commissioner recommendations for future agenda items, speakers, and presentations

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

A motion was made by Commissioner Wunsch, seconded by Commissioner Cohn, to laid over. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Nima Novin, Jayro Sandoval, Robert Smith, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch, Vivian Shimoyama and Walter Larkins

Absent: 2 - Austin Metoyer and Griselda Suarez

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.

COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Next regular meeting: September 12, 2022 4:00 PM.

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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