

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

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021  
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, 4:00 PM**

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



Austin Metoyer, Commissioner  
John Shen, Commissioner  
John Thomas, Commissioner  
Brenda Wunsch, Commissioner

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**SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO AB 361  
(GOV. CODE § 54953(e)(1)-(2))**

**Commissioners** Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John  
**Present:** Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and  
Walter Larkins

**Commissioners** Jessica Schumer

**Excused:**

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**REGULAR MEETING - 4:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

**DIRECTORS REPORT**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. [21-079ED](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes for the meeting held October 11, 2021.

**Attachments:** [EDC Minutes 1011.pdf](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

2. [21-080ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file an update regarding Economic Development Department communications and outreach regarding economic support programs for the month of October 2021.

**Attachments:** [20211108 EDC Monthly Communications Recap Memo.](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke

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

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

3. [21-081ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file a presentation regarding the appointment of Arts Council for Long Beach Executive Director Griselda Suarez to the Long Beach Economic Development Commission.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke

**A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Metoyer, to laid over. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

4. [21-082ED](#) Recommendation to receive a presentation from Economic Development Department Director John Keisler regarding Robert's Rules of Order and how the Commission and members of the public may provide input at meetings of the Economic Development Commission.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Thomas spoke  
Deputy City Attorney Kilaita spoke  
Commissioner Thomas spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Bob Mossler, Economic Development spoke  
Commissioner Blair spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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

**Yes:** 8 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Abstain:** 1 - Milton Duena

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

5. [21-083ED](#) Recommendation to conduct, receive, and file a study session with the Economic Development Commission and community leaders regarding the development of Focus Area objectives, key measures, and major

recommendations for the Blueprint 2.0.

**Attachments:** [20211108 Blueprint 2.0 COMMISSION CHAMPION Proc  
Blueprint 2.0.pdf](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Cohn spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Duena spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Duena spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Metoyer spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Metoyer spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Thomas spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Shen spoke  
Commissioner Thomas spoke  
Commissioner Metoyer spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Dave Shukla (public comment) spoke  
Boris (public comment) spoke  
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commission Vice-Chair Shimoyama 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:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

6. [21-084ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file Commissioner recommendations for future agenda items, speakers, and presentations.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Duena spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Dave Shukla (public comment) spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Austin Metoyer, John Shen, Vivian Shimoyama, John Thomas, Brenda Wunsch and Walter Larkins

**Excused:** 1 - Jessica Schumer

**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: December 13, 2021 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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