

Kimberly Wee, Co-Chair  
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Tamika Boyce, Member  
Daniel Brezenoff, Member  
Rose Buenaventura, Member  
Claude Diles III, Member



Connor Lock, Member  
Melanie Martins, Member  
Hawk McFadzen, Member  
Luther Richert, Member  
Steven Rockenbach, Member  
Aiko Tan, Member  
Anna Topolewski, Member

## FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

### SPECIAL MEETING

#### CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Jamies Shufford called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

**Commissioners Present:** Amick, Boyce, Brezenoff, Buenaventura, Diles III, Lock, Martins, McFadzen, Richert, Rockenbach, Tan, Topolewski, Shuford, Wee

Also present: Paul Duncan, Homeless Services Bureau Manager, Jennifer Santana, Secretary, Jeffrey Proctor, Special Projects Officer.

Roll call taken by Jennifer Santana.

#### REGULAR AGENDA

- 25-55064 Recommendation to receive the Long Beach CoC Board applications and conduct elections for two CoC Board Members.

**A motion was made by Member Topolewski, seconded by Member Brezenoff, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 11 Amick, Boyce, Brezenoff, Diles III, Lock, Martins, McFadzen, Richert, Topolewski, Shuford, Wee  
**No:** 0 None  
**Recused:** 0 None  
**Abstain:** 0 None  
**Absent:** 3 Buenaventura, Rockenbach, Tan

- The board convened to review applications from candidates interested in joining the CoC board and to vote on the addition of two new members. Per

the charter, the board must fill seats designated for LGBTQ and ESG representatives. Additionally, Luther's term has ended, leaving his position vacant.

- After reviewing the applications, Amy Lowery-Luyties was determined to meet the qualifications for the LGBTQ representative seat.
- All applicants were given the opportunity to present a brief summary of their background and express their interest in joining the board.
- City staff and board members discussed the open seats and the qualification required to fill the current vacancy . The ESG seat will be on hold, with any potential changes to this position to be addressed at the next board meeting.
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- The first applicant voted on was Amy Lowery-Luyties for the LGBTQ representative seat. Member Ana moved the motion forward, and member Daniel seconded it. The official start date for the seats being voted on would be July 1, 2025.
- Member Daniel Brezenoff moved the motion to appoint Brandi Brown Shock to the second vacant board seat, and member Melanie Martins seconded the motion.
- Both motions were followed by a roll call vote, and both were approved.
- A member of the public commented on the board application process and expressed concerns about whether the needs of the population are being addressed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- No public comment.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- No announcements.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Co-Chair Kimberly Wee, adjourns the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

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