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Meeting Date: May 20, 2026 - Wednesday Time: 9:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Duarte-White, Louie, O'Connor (Virtual), Moon, Hastings

Ex Officio Members:

Director of Public Works: Ms. Aracely Lasso, Senior Civil Engineer

County Counsel: Ms. Kathy Park, Deputy County Counsel

Planning Director: Mr. Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director, Advance Planning Division

Forester and Fire Warden: Mr. Juan Padilla, Supervising Fire Prevention Engineer

CHAIR OPENING

1. Opening Remarks
2. Roll Call
3. Land Acknowledgment

The Land Acknowledgment Statement was led by Chair Moon representing the Second District. The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants – past, present, and emerging – as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the: Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council, Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians, Gabrieleno Band of Mission

CHAIR OPENING (Cont.)

Indians - Kizh Nation, Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation, San Fernando Band of Mission Indians, Coastal Band of Chumash Nation, Gabrielino/Tongva Nation, Gabrielino Tongva Tribe. To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website at lanaic.lacounty.gov.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hastings representing the Fifth Supervisorial District.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Louie – That the agenda for May 20, 2026, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the agenda was approved unanimously.

6. Minutes For Approval

Motion/seconded by Commissioners Hastings/Moon – That the minutes for April 29, 2026, be approved.

At the direction of the Chair, the minutes were approved unanimously.

7. County Counsel Instructions

County Counsel stated for the record that while this is an online meeting, it is a public meeting the same as if it were held in person in the Commission's hearing room and rules that allow for an orderly meeting shall apply. As such, when speaking on an agenda item, comments should address the item on the agenda and no other issues.

Similarly, if speaking during public comment, comments should be limited to issues related to the business of the Regional Planning Commission.

If speakers do not remain on topic, they may be reminded by the Chair or myself to do so. Failure to discuss issues not related to the agenda item, may result in the loss of the right to speak on the item or other items, if directed by the Chair. In addition, speakers should refrain from conduct that is disruptive of the meeting. Doing so also could result in the loss of the right to speak on the agenda item or any other items.

Disruptive conduct can include, but is not limited to, threats made against other speakers, the Commission or its members, or any others participating in the meeting, profane comments not related to the agenda item, or disorderly or contemptuous behavior leading to a disruption of the orderly progression and holding of the meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (Cont.)

In such cases, the Chair will advise that the behavior is disruptive and direct that the speaker's microphone be disabled. That person may, however, continue to observe the meeting. Further, disruptive behavior communicated to the panelists of the meeting, which include the Commission and County staff, may result in the removal of that person from the meeting by disconnecting them from the online connection.

REPORTS

8. County Counsel

There were no reports given by Counsel.

9. Director/Deputy Director

There were no reports given by the Assistant Deputy Director.

- 9(a). RPC Special. Project No. PRJ2024-000811. Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2024001191. Presenter: Fernando Nieto, Program Chief, Office of Cannabis Management, Department of Consumer and Business Affairs. An informational presentation by the Office of Cannabis Management on the proposed Los Angeles County Commercial Cannabis Ordinance and License Program.

Mr. Nieto, Chief of the Office of Cannabis Management, accompanied by Laura Magallanes, Deputy Director, provided an overview of the County's proposed commercial cannabis regulatory framework. The presentation covered the proposed land use approach under Title 22 and community protections and safeguards. In conclusion, staff outlined the next steps for the program, including release of the EIR, a return to the Commission for further review, and lastly, present to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration and action.

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The Commission opened the public hearing and received testimony from Ms. Jacqueline Ayer, with the Acton Twon Council with concerns regarding cannabis regulations, public safety impacts, zoning near residential areas and enforcement and mitigation measures.

The Commission expressed concerns regarding illicit cannabis businesses operating within their districts and discussed potential measures to strengthen enforcement efforts, including the possibility of requiring signage to inform the public when a business is not licensed. The Commission then engaged in further discussion with staff during which staff responded to questions from the Commissioners.

At the direction of the Chair, with no further questions for staff, the Commissioners accepted the update on the proposed Los Angeles County Commercial Cannabis Ordinance and License Program.

REPORTS (Cont.)

10. Admission Procedures

Staff announced if you are joining us via telephone and want to provide comment on any of the agenda items, please send an email to comment@planning.lacounty.gov and provide the agenda item number, your first name, your last name, your email address, your phone number, and indicate if you are the applicant or not the applicant.

All participants' microphones will be muted during the meeting unless you have signed up to provide comment. If you have signed up to provide comment, your microphone will be unmuted when it is time for you to speak, and staff will call your name.

PUBLIC HEARINGGeneral Plan/Transit-Oriented Communities SectionProject Approved

- 11. General Plan Safety Element Amendment: Incorporation of 2025 All-Hazards Mitigation Plan. Project No. PRJ2025-004464. General Plan Amendment No. RRPL2025003809. Environmental Assessment No. RPPL2025003811. Planners: Christina Tran and Arturo Jacobo. Amendment to the General Plan Safety Element to incorporate the FEMA-approved 2025 County of Los Angeles All Hazards Mitigation Plan, which was adopted by the Board on September 9, 2025, and provides a framework for identifying, addressing, and reducing risks from natural and human-caused hazards.**

Staff presented a proposed General Plan Amendment to incorporate the 2025 County of Los Angeles, All-Hazards Mitigation Plan (AHMP) into the Safety Element of the General Plan pursuant to AB 2140. The presentation covered the background and purpose of the amendment, the scope, CEQA determination, consistency with the General Plan and coordination efforts. Staff from the Chief Executive Office, Office of Emergency Management noted that the 2025 AHMP supports risk reduction, emergency preparedness, and resilience planning. The 2025 AHMP aligns with the Safety Element's overarching purpose to reduce risks associated with natural, human-caused, and climate-induced hazards.

There was further discussion by the Commissioners and Staff addressed their questions.

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Motion/seconded by Commissioners Duarte-White/Louie – That the Regional Planning Commission close the public hearing and adopt the resolution recommending that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors find that the General Plan Safety Element Amendment is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), with alternative findings that, if the action were considered a project under CEQA, it is statutorily exempt and also qualifies for the Common Sense Exemption pursuant to state and local CEQA guidelines; and approve the General Plan Safety Element Amendment, General Plan Amendment No. RPPL2025003809.

PUBLIC HEARING (Cont.)

At the direction of the Chair, the item passed unanimously. This matter will be scheduled for a future Public Hearing before the Board of Supervisors.

PUBLIC COMMENT

12. Public comment on any items not specifically agendized pursuant to Section 54954.3 of the Government Code.

There were no requests by members of the public to address the Commission.

CONTINUATION OF REPORTS

13. Possible Call for Review of Decisions by Hearing Officer, pursuant to Section 22.240.010.B of the Los Angeles County Code.

There were no items Called up for Review by the Commission.

14. Commission/Counsel/Director Reports

There were no reports given by Commission/Counsel/Director.

ADJOURNMENT

A recording of the testimony received and the discussions held at this meeting and a copy of all findings and resolutions acted upon by the Commission are on file in the Department of Regional Planning.

The Commission adjourned at 10:23 a.m. to Wednesday, June 3, 2026.



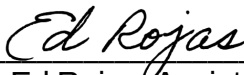
Elida Luna, Commission Secretary

ATTEST

APPROVE



Elvin W. Moon, Chair



Ed Rojas, Assistant Deputy Director
Advance Planning Division