



**DRAFT STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
WORKING GROUP
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Friday, April 3, 2015

9:00 AM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING (15-1753)

Attachments: [Audio](#)

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Present: Brent Braun, Dean Hansell, Vincent Harris, Max Huntsman, Les Robbins, Neal Tyler and Hernan Vera

1. Call to Order. (15-1376)

Chair Dean Hansell called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Approval of the March 20, 2015 Statement of Proceedings. (15-1377)

On motion of Member Max Huntsman, seconded by Member Hernan Vera, by Common Consent, there being no objection, the Working Group approved the March 20, 2015 Statement of Proceedings.

3. Announcements of an Administrative Nature. (15-1378)

There were none.

II. DISCUSSIONS

4. Further discussion and/or approval of the Oversight Commission's:
 - A. Composition.
 - B. Miscellaneous provisions and other issues.
 - C. Relationship between the Commission, the Sheriff and the Office of Inspector General.
 - D. Duties and responsibilities. (15-1379)

A. COMPOSITION

Chair Dean Hansell presented a summary of the Commission Composition Proposal. The Working Group discussed to include their comments on the various Options listed in the Proposal rather than ranking the Options. Member Vincent Harris suggested that the public's preference also be considered. Chair Dean Hansell added that the document will be available at each Community Meeting for the public to review and comment on

Following discussion, Chair Dean Hansell requested that the Working Group submit their comments for each Option in writing, and the Chair will compile a summary of the comments for the Working Group's review at the next Regular Meeting.

B. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OTHER ISSUES

Chair Dean Hansell presented the Miscellaneous Provisions document to the Working Group for discussion. County Counsel provided a brief overview on the County ordinance language regarding staff and compensation/stipends. Chair Dean Hansell inquired if the County Salary Ordinance would limit the Commission's ability to appropriately staff and/or hire consultants. County Counsel informed the Working Group that the Ordinance is broad enough to incorporate contingency staff.

During discussion, County Counsel was requested to prepare alternate language regarding the Miscellaneous Provision relating to the staffing of the Commission.

The Working Group also discussed the Miscellaneous Provision regarding self-governance and County Counsel presented information on the scope of the Auditor-Controller's review of County Commissions. The Working Group also provided additional feedback on the Inmate Welfare Fund and the discussion will be continued to the next meeting to provide time for Member Neal Tyler to report back.

C. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COMMISSION, THE SHERIFF AND THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Chair Dean Hansell opened the floor for discussion on the relationship between the Commission, the Sheriff and the Office of Inspector General. The Working Group reviewed the revisions/additions to the Los Angeles County Ordinance Code Section 6.44.190, relative to the Office of Inspector General.

D. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

This item was not discussed. Chair Dean Hansell informed the Working Group that the item was added in the event further discussion was needed.

Steve Rogers, Dignity and Power Now, addressed the Working Group.

By Common Consent, duly carried by the following vote, the Working Group Approved the Miscellaneous Provisions document, as amended and the revisions/additions to the Los Angeles County Ordinance Code Section 6.44.190, relative to the Office of Inspector General.

Ayes: 7 - Brent Braun, Dean Hansell, Vincent Harris, Max Huntsman, Les Robbins, Neal Tyler and Hernan Vera

5. Update report by Members Max Huntsman and Vincent Harris and/or approval regarding the Working Group holding Community Meetings. (15-1380)

Member Vincent Harris reported on the dates and locations of the Community Meetings, and informed that the date and location may change for the Community Meeting intended to be held at the Lennox Library on April 21, 2015. Member Max Huntsman informed that there will be translators available at meetings where appropriate and that the Community Meeting schedule is also available on the Office of Inspector General's website. Member Neal Tyler informed the Working Group that flyers regarding the Community Meetings are being placed at appropriate Sheriff Station counters in the location where meetings will be held.

Chair Hansell provide an overview of the format for the Community Meeting and added that each Working Group Member will be provided an agenda for the Community Meeting along with note taking forms to record notes and comments.

6. Discussion on obtaining information through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or a Subpoena. (15-1410)

County Counsel provided an overview of the function, power, and possible limitations of the subpoena power and added that the County Charter is currently silent on subpoena power and subpoena power will not circumvent information protected under confidential privilege.

The following members of the public addressed the Working Group:

Paul Jung, Asian Americans Advancing Justice LA; Paz Espinoza; Reverend Dr. Timothy Murphy from Progressive Christians Uniting; Sandra Neal from Coalition to End Sheriff Violence in LA Jails; Ana Angeles, Jasmine Brandon, Sherrice Brooks, Evan Bunch, Paz Espinoza, Tonisha Jackson, Mark Anthony Johnson, Raymond Lewis, Jada Rasberry, Steven Rogers, Karly Santos, Shannon Soper, and Michele Zorrilla from Dignity and Power Now; Claudia Bautista from the National Day Laborer Organizing Network; Pastor Cue from SCLC/CLUE; and Aloni Bonilla, Abraham Colvage, Edilberto Flores, Juan Pena from the Youth Justice Coalition. In addition, Mark Anthony Johnson read a letter to the Working Group on behalf of member of the public Akili, from the Black Community Clergy and Labor Alliance.

The Working Group will continue to discuss this item at the next Working Group meeting.

7. Report by County Counsel on:

1. Inmate Welfare Funds
2. Ordinance language regarding staff
3. Ordinance language regarding compensation/stipends
4. Scope of Auditor-Controller's review of County Commissions (15-1397)

County Counsel reported on this item during the discussion of Agenda Item 4.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

8. Items not on the posted agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Working Group subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-1381)

There were none.

9. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Working Group on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Working Group. (15-1382)

There were none.

10. Concluding Remarks/Adjournment (15-1383)

Chair Dean Hansell adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

