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Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 19, 2020
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Held via Teleconference

Item 1: Call to Order Chair Gomez called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.

Item 2: Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum Roll call was taken, and the quorum requirement was met.

Present

- 1st District:** Farrell Chiles, Mike Gomez
- 2nd District:** Ronnie Jayne, Gregory Gorman
- 3rd District:** Eugene Willis Jr, Joan Patsy Ostroy
- 4th District:** Charline Sistrunk
- 5th District:** Daniel Deng, Harry Leon, Vivian Chan

Absent

- 1st District:** Mark Ramos
- 2nd District:** Eugene Hale
- 3rd District:** None
- 4th District:** Marcel Rodarte, Mark Waronek
- 5th District:** None

Staff Maggie Becerra, Dana Pratt, Maritza Gutierrez, Keven Chavez, Jessica Morales, Simone Chong, Sayuj Panicker, Francisco Mendez

Public None

Item 3: Approval of Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission (CAAC) Minutes

Commissioner Leon moved to approve the minutes of the CAAC meeting for July 16, 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sistrunk. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 4: Scheduling of Sixth CAAC Meeting of Calendar Year 2020

Commissioner Chan motioned for the CAAC to schedule the previously cancelled sixth meeting of calendar year 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leon. After discussion, Commissioner Chan made a friendly amendment to the original motion to make up the previously cancelled sixth meeting of calendar year 2020 on December 29, 2020, at 10:30 AM. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jayne. After a roll call vote was conducted, the CAAC unanimously voted to pass the motion.

Item 5: CAAC – 2021 Nominations and Elections

Francisco Mendez, Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) Commission Services Liaison, shared information on the upcoming nomination and election process for the selection of Chair and Vice-Chair of the CAAC for calendar year 2021. Among the shared information, Mr. Mendez informed the CAAC that the nomination process will be open as of November 30, 2020 with elections taking place at the first Commission meeting of 2021.

Item 6: DCBA – Assembly Bill 3088

Dana Pratt, DCBA Deputy Director of Rent Stabilization, provided a presentation on AB 3088, a bill that aims at providing Los Angeles County Residents with new eviction protections. Among the information shared, DCBA Deputy Director Pratt shared the ways that the bill will impact some of the services provided by the Rent Stabilization Unit of the Department. Maritza Gutierrez, DCBA Chief of Consumer Counseling, also shared information on how AB 3088 will impact the mediation program administered by the Department.

Item 7: CAAC Committee Updates

Commissioner Jayne, Chair of the Public Information Committee, mentioned that the Committee received information on the outreach efforts made by DCBA, updates on some of the changes that were made to the DCBA website and information on a free WIFI program run by Los Angeles County. These updates were presented at this meeting during the DCBA Department Update. Commissioner Gorman, Chair of the Legislative Committee, was unavailable to provide the Committee Update.

Item 8: DCBA Department Update

Keven Chavez, DCBA Public Information Officer, provided a demonstration on the recent changes and revamp that was made to the DCBA webpage, shared information on outreach efforts made through the DCBA social media accounts, and provided a demonstration of the Los Angeles County Internal Services Department (ISD) and the Los Angeles County Library free WIFI website that provides information on Countywide WIFI hotspots available to Los Angeles County residents at no cost.

Item 9: Future Agenda Items

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Item 10: Public Comment

None

Item 11: Adjournment

Commissioner Leon moved to adjourn the CAAC meeting. Commissioner Jayne seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.