

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION

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## REGULAR MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA Wednesday, April 26, 2023 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

East Los Angeles County Library Gloria Molina Conference Room 4837 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90022

### I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum
- 3) Public Comments
- 4) Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for:
  - a) October 12, 2022, and January 17, 2023 (Action Item)
- 5) Recognition of Incoming SBC Members
  - a) SBC Chair Robertson welcomes Mr. Andrew Chou, Bridget Prince, and Carina Rivera, nominated by 1<sup>st</sup> District Supervisor Hilda L. Solis; Carmen Schaye, nominated by 4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Janice Hahn; and Vartan Djihanian, nominated by 5th District Supervisor Kathryn Barger.

## **II. PRESENTATIONS**

- 6) Equity in County Contracting (ECC)
  - a) Jason Tajima, Principal Analyst CEO, will share an update on efforts related to two Board Motions intended to address contracting issues and concerns raised by community-based organizations, non-profits, and small businesses. (DISCUSSION)
  - b) Commission Chair Robertson will lead the discussion on the Commission's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors regarding the ECC motion.
- 7) Sayuj Panicker, Deputy County Counsel, Office of the Los Angeles County Counsel
  - a) Deputy County Counsel Sayuj Panicker will do a presentation on virtual and hybrid commission meeting requirements under AB 2449. The presentation will discuss under which circumstances individual commissioners can appear remotely and how often per year. (DISCUSSION)



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- 8) Nadia Segura Narvaez, Director, Small Business Development Program, Bet Tzedek, and Ritu Mahajan, Directing Attorney, Community Development Project, Public Counsel
  - a) Attorney Nadia Segura and Attorney Ritu Mahajan will present on the LA Regional Small Business Legal Aid Program, a partnership with the County of Los Angeles Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), the City of Los Angeles Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), Bet Tzedek Legal Services, Public Counsel, and the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, to provide assistance and relief to small business owners affected by COVID-19. In this presentation, they will explain the intake process, access to services, and the assistance they provide, highlighting upcoming events and presentations. (DISCUSSION)

### III. UPDATES

- DEO Enrique Gonzalez, Supervisor, DEO, APEX Accelerator (formerly known as PTAC)
- a) Enrique Gonzalez will provide an overview of the APEX Accelerator Program, the new name, branding, and increase emphasis on expanding the Government Industrial Base (GIB) and Defense Industrial Base (DIB).

## **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

10) Items of interest to the Commission

11) Adjournment

### Please note that public comment will be accepted by e-mail or mail.

You may submit public comment by e-mail to <u>opportunity\_sbcommision@opportunity.lacounty.gov</u> or by mail to:

> Attention: Department of Economic Opportunity Office of Small Business Commission 510 S. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90020

Written public comment or documentation must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. the day before the scheduled meeting. Please include the Agenda item and meeting date in your correspondence. Correspondence received shall become part of the official record.

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#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations, American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters, or assisted listening devices are available with at least three business days' notice before the meeting date. Agendas in Braille and/or alternate formats are available upon request. Please telephone (213) 974-1431 (voice) or (213) 974-1707 (TDD), from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Supporting documentation can be obtained at the Department of Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services, 510 S Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90020 during normal business hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.