

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
CANNABIS SPECIAL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022  
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

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The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. with Commissioners Ahn, Mason, Mercado, Narro, and Villa virtually in attendance via Zoom.

Also attending the meeting via Zoom were, Cat Packer, Executive Director; Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director; Dr. Imani Brown, Social Equity Program Director; Taylor Wagniere, Deputy City Attorney; and Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant.

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**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND  
SINGLE OR MULTIPLE AGENDA ITEM**

General Public Comment and Single or Multiple Agenda Item were taken together. Members of the public addressed the Commission telephonically.

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**ITEM NO. 1**

**COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- **Advance Calendar:** There were no requests from the Commission.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Villa moved to approve the minutes of December 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mercado and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Villa  
Second: Mercado  
Ayes: Narro  
Abstentions: Ahn, Mason  
**Vote: 5– 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

- **Commission Announcements and Updates:** There were no announcements or updates from the Commission.
- **Future Agenda Requests:** Commissioner Mason requested an update on Community outreach at a future Commission meeting.

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**ITEM NO. 2**

**FINDING TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB 361**

Commissioner Villa moved to approve the continuance of teleconference meetings in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3) that, while the state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as originally proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, remains active and/or state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, this legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and/or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mercado and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Villa  
Second: Mercado  
Ayes: Narro, Mason, Ahn  
Vote: 5 – 0

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 3**

**POLICY UPDATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS REGULATION**

Cat Packer, Executive Director and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director reported on policy update, including a report on the Department's recent budget proposals, and updates concerning the policy recommendations in the Motion introduced by City Council on September 29, 2021, the Transmittal Letter by the Planning and Land Use Management Commission dated November 5, 2021, and DCR's subsequent Reports contained in [Council File No. 21-1083](#).

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**ITEM NO. 4**

**LICENSING REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS REGULATION**

Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Assistant, reported on the licensing program, including but not limited to updates on the number of: Temporary Approvals issued, pending applications, renewal applications, and pre-applications submitted.

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**ITEM NO. 5**

**SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS REGULATION**

Dr. Imani Brown, Social Equity Program Director, reported on the Social Equity Program including an update on the Business, Licensing and Compliance Assistance Program, public outreach efforts, recent workshops, and future community engagement.

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Commissioner Ahn announced he was leaving the meeting for a personal matter at 2:55 p.m. Vice President Mason chaired the remaining meeting procedures.

There being no further business before the Cannabis Regulation Commission, Vice President Mason adjourned the meeting at 2:57 p.m.



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Robert Ahn, Commission President  
Cannabis Regulation Commission



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Cannabis Regulation Commission

*Josie Trevizo*

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Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant  
Cannabis Regulation Commission

**ADOPTED**  
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