



MINUTES

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING

SMI TRAINING ROOM

330 Olympic Drive, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

3:00 PM

Call to Order

Chair Leddy called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

Roll Call

The following attendance was recorded by the Recording Secretary:

Present: Commissioner Einbinder (arrival 3:29 pm), Commissioner Glover, Commissioner Kagel, Chair Leddy, Commissioner Morrow, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Yilmazer

Absent: Commissioner Manvel (excused) and Commissioner Wells (unexcused)

Other city staff present: Jenna Grigsby (Chief Deputy City Attorney), Karine Darabedian (Senior Legal Analyst) and Lupe Madrid (Exec Admin Asst)

1. Public Input (Non-Agenda Items):

None

2. Public Input (Agenda Items Under SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS and CONSENT CALENDAR Only)

None

3. Special Agenda Items

a. Swearing-In (completed prior to meeting)

1. Commissioner Kevin Glover
2. Commissioner Brett Morrow

b. Update to the community on the development of SaMo Bridge, a diversion program led by the City Attorney's Office (CAO) in partnership with the Santa Monica Police Department, that serves homeless adults with justice system involvement by connecting them with housing, mental health and substance use disorder treatment services.

([Attachment](#))

PowerPoint Presentation was led by Jenna Grisby (CAO). Other staff present Karine Darabedian (CAO) and Hansa Prasad, from Exodus Recovery. CAO and Exodus staff engaged in a Q&A with commissioners.

c. Presentation from Human Services Grant Program (HSGP) recipient [CLARE/Matrix](#), provider of substance abuse treatment

PowerPoint Presentation was led by CLARE staff, Matt Walton and Shireen Ossanlo. Other staff present were Jolan Dawson and Joey Leichter. CLARE staff engaged in a Q&A with commissioners.

5. Consent Calendar

a. [Minutes from January 22, 2025](#)

Commissioner Nguyen moved and Commission Eisenbinder seconded a motion to approve the January 22, 2025 minutes. Voice vote: motion passes unanimously with Commissioner Marvel and Commissioner Wells absent.



6. Public Input On Remaining Agenda Items

None

8. Continued Items

- a. Continued from Jan 22, 2025 - Discussion and possible action on setting Human Services Commission goals and priorities for 2025

Item tabled to next meeting.

13. Written Communication

None

14. Human Services Commission Member Discussion Items

- a. Discussion/reports from existing ad hoc committees and possible action on their recommendations.

No discussion or reports.

Adjournment

Chair Leddy adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

(Name)

(Name)

Secretary

Chair

