



# AGENDA & NOTICE

LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY  
NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026, 6:30 PM**

**Meeting Location:** County of Los Angeles Hall of Administration  
Sybil Brand Room 372  
500 W. Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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MARK VILLASEÑOR, Chairperson  
*Fernandeño Tataviam*

BRYCE LEWIS-SMITH, Vice Chairperson  
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*Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin*

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*Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara*

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*Tiguan Nation*

RICH TOYON, Commissioner  
*Acjachemen*

ALEXANDRA VALDES  
Executive Director  
*Tlingit/Athabaskan*

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1. CALL TO ORDER
  2. INVOCATION & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT
  3. ROLL CALL
  4. COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS
  5. PUBLIC COMMENT
  6. ACTION ITEMS
    - 6.1. Adopt Absentee Excuses

- 6.2. Adopt the March 17, 2025, Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC) Unapproved Meeting Minute
- 6.3. Establish the 2026 Native American Heritage Month Planning Ad Hoc Committee

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 7.1 Discuss AIAN Homelessness in LA County
- 7.2 Discuss Impacts of Federal Administration on LA County's AIAN Community

**8. CHAIR'S REPORT**

- 8.1 General Updates

**9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- 9.1 General Updates

**10. COMMITTEE & AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 10.1 Executive Committee
- 10.2 Self Governance Board
- 10.3 50th Anniversary Planning Ad Hoc Committee

**11. COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**13. COMMISSION ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 19, 2026, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Location: Hall of Administration, Room 372, 500 W. Temple Street, LA, CA 90012

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Approved:



Chairperson Mark Villasenor