# July 15, 2021 Los Angeles Regional Policy Committee Meeting Minutes Meeting via Zoom

### Introductions by Chat function

Welcoming of new participant Zia, age 3

### 2021 Legislation & Policies

- a. State see Google Doc for updates on bills
  - Additionally, the Golden State Stimulus should result in another round of cash payments to low income Californians; but there are no implementation instructions yet because the legislation was just signed on Monday
- b. Federal
  - Child Tax Credit for parents of children under 17, earning less than \$112,500 as a single, or less than \$150K for married filing jointly, to be distributed in the amount of \$3600/yr for children 0-5; and \$3000/yr for children 6-16, cumulatively. Discussion held about the problems that victims of abuse have with tax related issues and will have with the CTC, and the following referrals were offered, Bet Tzedek and The Koreatown Youth and Community Center at <a href="https://www.kyccla.org/services/community-economic-development-ced/low-income-taxpayer-clinic/">https://www.kyccla.org/services/community-economic-development-ced/low-income-taxpayer-clinic/</a>; today's LA Times offered an article about the CTC <a href="https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2021-07-15/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-new-child-tax-credit">https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2021-07-15/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-new-child-tax-credit</a>

## C. Local

 As of August 8, HCID is no more. City Council created the Community Investment in Families Department, where the "Community Investment" part of HCID will go, including DVSO. Housing Department will once again become its own department. Abigail Marquez was appointed as General Manager for CIFD. Updates to come.

#### **Emerging Issues**

- a. Enforcement of Gun Removal Orders no one who raised the issue at prior meeting gave comment when topic was up for discussion, so passed to September meeting
- b. Covert Tracking (audio/video) Gail brought up issue of surreptitious recording and electronic stalking. Discussion held about the minimal criminal penalties associated therewith, maximum 3 years if no RO being violated, 4 yrs there is an RO violation; referrals given to EndTAB at <u>https://endtab.org/</u> and to Adam Dodge. Discussion to be continued.
- C. Restraining Orders and Expungement Pallavi reports that there are two pending bills on expungement and where the CPO will outlast the sentence, the CPO remain valid, but questions remain about the actual logistics/execution. Discussion to be continued

d. Local Housing Vouchers – LAHSA meeting on topic offered at the same time as this meeting, so no one available to discuss. So far, no funding available to assist people to apply for the EHV vouchers.

Matters not on the posted agenda (to be presented and placed on a future agenda)

James suggests that instead of using the "author" when discussing a proposed legislation, that the actual name be used

Public Comments not to exceed two minutes per person and must be on items of interest which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council

Roman offered her email address to anyone who wanted to discuss coercive control: <u>Sjinsinfo@gmail.com</u>, as did JP, <u>advocateforforensics@gmail.com</u>

Next meeting is scheduled for **September 9, 2021.** Please update your calendars.

Reminder: August is dark.