

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF
THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION**

Thursday, December 17, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission (the "Commission") was held virtually and via teleconference on Thursday, December 17, 2020, and was called to order at 2:35 p.m. by President **HAHN**.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ms. Janice Hahn, President
Mr. Solomon Rivera, Vice President
Mr. Curren D. Price, Jr.
Ms. Holly J. Mitchell
Mr. George L. Pla
Ms. Suzy Shuster (2:47 P.M.)
Ms. Anita L. DeFrantz

Five (5) and a quorum

ABSENT: Mr. Reginald B. Jones-Sawyer, Sr. (Non-voting)

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Al Naipo, CAO and Secretary
Ms. Sonia Chan, Co-Counsel
Mr. Robert P. Moore, Co-Counsel

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. David Galaviz
Mr. Courtland Jindra
Mr. Joe Furin
Mr. Dan Stimmler
Ms. Rachelle Anema
Ms. Lorayne Lingat
Ms. Claudia Gutierrez
Ms. Melisa Salazar
Mr. Benny Tran

3. President **HAHN** welcomed new Commissioner **HOLLY J. MITCHELL**. President **HAHN** mentioned Commissioner **MITCHELL'S** achievements in the State Senate and noted that her experience will be a welcome addition to the Coliseum Commission.

President **HAHN** acknowledged the death of Rafer Johnson and noted that she would adjourn the Commission meeting in his memory.

President **HAHN** congratulated USC on their football season and for making it to the PAC-12 Championship game.

President **HAHN** noted that this would be her last meeting as President of the Commission and that Commission elections would take place at the next meeting.

4. There was no Public Comment
5. **APPROVED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, a motion from Commissioner **PRICE**, seconded by Commissioner **PLA**, to accept the Minutes of the Commission's Regular Meeting on October 29, 2020.
6. **RECEIVED** and **FILED** by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the report of the Chief Administrative Officer.
7. **RECEIVED** and **FILED**, by unanimous consent, there being no objection, the Coliseum Commission Financial Report.

President **HAHN** inquired about the Commission making a donation to the Make A Wish Foundation given its close relationship with the Commission. President **HAHN** said she would consider making a motion to place the topic of the donation on the agenda for the next Commission meeting. Commissioner **SHUSTER** inquired if the Commission needed a motion to immediately move forward with the donation. CAO **NAIPO** asked Commission Counsel **ROBERT P. MOORE** to weigh in and he responded a motion would be necessary.

Commissioner **SHUSTER** expressed frustration with the logistics of the WebEx meeting system and inquired about using a different virtual platform. CAO **NAIPO** indicated that staff would investigate using other virtual meeting systems.

Commissioner **SHUSTER** and Commissioner **PRICE** inquired about the status of budget discussions with USC. CAO **NAIPO** reported that he sent a letter to USC informing them that the Commission approved a budget that was higher than the amount in the 2017 agreement. CAO **NAIPO** noted that to date he did not receive a reply from USC. CAO **NAIPO** also noted that Commission Counsel sent a letter to USC regarding the overall nature of the lease agreement and budgeting. CAO **NAIPO** mentioned he has not received an update regarding that correspondence.

Commissioner **SHUSTER** asked if CAO **NAIPO** could draft a letter to USC, that she would sign, asking to meet in the first two weeks of January to discuss the budget issue.

Commissioner **PLA** noted that in speaking with USC Athletic Director Mike Bohn, Mr. Bohn expressed a willingness to forge a new and cooperative partnership with the Commission. Commissioner **PLA** indicated that Commissioners should also participate in budget discussions with USC.

CAO **NAIPO** indicated he would contact USC to inform them that the Commission would like to meet and further discuss finances. President **HAHN** suggested that the Commission wait until new officers are elected so USC can also meet with the new Commission President.

Commissioner **MITCHELL** suggested that Commission staff prepare a briefing for Commissioners before discussions with USC commence. CAO **NAIPO** noted that he would work with Commission Counsel to prepare a short briefing for Commissioners.

8. **RECEIVED AND FILED** by unanimous consent, the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum General Manager's Report from David Galaviz, USC Associate Vice President for Community and Local Government and University Relations.

David Galaviz mentioned that he would work with CAO **NAIPO** to schedule and facilitate a meeting regarding finances between the Commission and USC.

9. **RECEIVED AND FILED**, there being no objection, an update from the Los Angeles Football Club.

President **HAHN** thanked Benny Tran from LAFC for hosting a polling place at Banc of California Stadium.

10. **RECEIVED AND FILED**, there being no objection, the report on the Coliseum Commission vehicle sale.
11. **RECEIVED AND FILED**, there being no objection, the Coliseum Foundation-Coliseum Association update.
12. **APPROVED** a motion by Commissioner Pla, seconded by Commissioner Price, to adopt the 2021 Coliseum Commission regular meeting schedule.

President **HAHN** asked for clarification on why the Commission is dark during certain months. CAO **NAIPO** clarified, noting that the Commission typically does not meet every month and that it is dark in certain summer months and in November during the Thanksgiving Holiday.

13. ADJOURNED at 3:22 P. M.

President **HAHN** adjourned the meeting in memory of Rafer Johnson.

Commissioner **DeFRANTZ** spoke on her relationship with Rafer Johnson, how she met him at the Olympics selection camp. Commissioner **DeFRANTZ** said that his example of integrity and charity was something she always admired.

Commissioner **PLA** commented that he admired Rafer Johnson's personality and that he was a class act throughout his life.


Secretary