Los Angeles City Health Commission Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2020

JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL, 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 6:00 PM

Roll Call

Members present: Estradas, Hisserich, Kato, Khalfani, Mandel, and Ossey (6); Absent: Avila, Griffith, Grimmig, Shannon, and Sirota (5); Vacant (4)

Approval of the Minutes from November 4, 2019.

Minutes from the November 4, 2019 meeting were approved.

Ayes: Estradas, Hisserich, Kato, Khalfani, Mandel, and Ossey (6); Absent: Avila, Griffith, Grimmig, Shannon, and Sirota (5); Vacant (4)

ITEM NO. (1)

Presentation by Jaime Garcia, Regional Vice President - Los Angeles Region, Hospital Association of Southern California, relative to behavioral health, its demand and access, and related matters.

The Presentation by Jaime Garcia, Regional Vice President provided the Commission with data relative to behavioral health in the nation, State, and County, the level of demand for and accessibility to behavioral health services, the principal diagnosis, the barriers to providing mental health services and how they impact service provision, and opportunities for action.

Mr. Garcia responded to questions from the Commission Members.

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ITEM NO. (2)

Items for future discussion.

Commission Members would like further information on behavioral health as it relates to the City of Los Angeles, specifically:

- The number of hospitals
  - how many are operating in the red
  - percent of impact of behavioral health on medical services
  - federal funds received
- increase in medical service rates v. costs

- Number of mental health hospital beds and their concentration citywide

Commission Members would like to review and discuss the annual report for 2020.

Request that the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) get data specific to the City of Los Angeles.

The need for increased medical reimbursements for providers.

Commission Member attendance.

Los Angeles County capacity in the event of a major emergency.

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Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.