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Memorandum

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To: Chair Doug Chaffee, Supervisor, Fourth District

From: Doug Becht, Director of Care Coordination Initial
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Subject: Recommended At Large Nominations To Commission to Address Homelessness

Pursuant to Board of Supervisors (Board) Rule of Procedure 16 amended on July 13, 2021, the County Executive Office recommends the following at large appointments to Commission to Address Homelessness for placement on the March 24, 2026 Board meeting agenda:

1. Reappoint the following two nominees to the Commission to Address Homelessness for a 2-year term effective April 15, 2026 and ending April 14, 2028:
 - a. Gina Cunningham, Executive Director of HomeAid OCLA, as the Affordable Housing Development Industry Representative
 - b. Kelly Bruno-Nelson, Executive Director of CalOptima Health, as the Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Representative
2. Appoint the following nominee to the Commission to Address Homelessness for a 2-year term effective April 15, 2026, and ending April 14, 2028:
 - a. Adam Foster, Chief of Police for the City of La Habra, as the Chief of Police Representative
3. Find that the appointments of Kelly Bruno-Nelson and Adam Foster serve the best interest of the County and approve waiver of residency requirements.

Information on the recommended at large nominations is contained in the attached Agenda Staff Report and candidate applications.

Please contact Douglas Becht, Director of Care Coordination at 714-834-2323 or Douglas.Becht@ceo.oc.gov if you have any questions.

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Thank you.

Attachments

- Agenda Staff Report for At-Large Nominations for Appointment to the Commission to Address Homelessness
- Attachment A – Gina Cunningham Nomination Form, Application and Resume
- Attachment B – Kelly Bruno-Nelson Nomination Form, Application and Resume
- Attachment C – Adam Foster Nomination Form, Application and Resume

Cc: Clerk of the Board



AT-LARGE APPOINTMENT AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 03/24/2026
LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAIR: Chair Chaffee
NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY (DEPT): County Executive Office
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SUBJECT: At-Large Nominations for Appointments to the Commission to Address Homelessness

CEO CONCUR

N/A

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW

N/A

CLERK OF THE BOARD

Consent

3 Votes Board Majority

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

1. Reappoint the following two nominees to the Commission to Address Homelessness for a two-year term, effective April 15, 2026 and ending April 14, 2028:
 - a. Gina Cunningham, Executive Director of HomeAid OCLA, as the Affordable Housing Development Industry Representative
 - b. Kelly Bruno-Nelson, Executive Director of CalOptima Health, as the Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Representative
2. Appoint the following one nominee to the Commission to Address Homelessness for a two-year term, effective April 15, 2026 and ending April 14, 2028:
 - a. Adam Foster, Chief of Police for the City of La Habra, as the Chief of Police Representative
3. Find that the appointments of Kelly Bruno-Nelson and Adam Foster serve the best interest of the County and approve waiver of residency requirements.

SUMMARY:

Appointment of the recommended nominees to the Commission to Address Homelessness will fill three expired seats to bring together local leadership to address homelessness in Orange County.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Commission to Address Homelessness (Commission) works in collaboration with the County of Orange (County), thirty-four city governments, business sector, philanthropic organizations, community organizations, faith-based organizations, health care, public safety, and other interested stakeholders to promote an effective response to homelessness within Orange County. The membership is comprised of nineteen voting members.

On December 11, 2025, the Commission approved the launch of recruitment process and establishment of a new Membership Ad Hoc Committee to evaluate and make recommendations for appointment for expired Commission seats to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors (Board) for final approval.

The following Commission seats were included as a part of this recruitment process:

- a. Chief of Police Representative
- b. Affordable Housing Development Industry Representative
- c. Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Representative

The Office of Care Coordination launched the Membership Recruitment process on December 16, 2025, and established a deadline of January 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. for interested candidates to submit their applications and resume for consideration by the Membership Ad Hoc Committee. The Membership Ad Hoc Committee met to review the applications received and agreed on the recommended candidates to be presented to the Commission for approval.

On February 18, 2026, the Commission approved the following candidates to serve on the Commission and be recommended to the Board for appointment:

- a. Gina Cunningham, Executive Director of HomeAid OCLA, as the Affordable Housing Development Industry Representative
- b. Kelly Bruno-Nelson, Executive Director of CalOptima Health, as the Medi-Cal Managed Care Health Plan Representative
- c. Adam Foster, Chief of Police for the City of La Habra, as the Chief of Police Representative

Recommended Candidate Background

Gina Cunningham has over 28 years of service with HomeAid OCLA (HomeAid) and has served in her current role as Executive Director since 2019. Throughout her career, she has worked to raise funding to advance the mission of building new lives for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Under her leadership HomeAid has added new affordable housing communities for single adults, families, and seniors. Additionally, Ms. Cunningham serves as a Leadership Council Member for United to End Homelessness and is a founding member of the Orange County Chamber Foundation. Furthermore, in 2023 she was awarded the Barbara J. Stewart Award for Women's Achievement in recognition of her mentorship, leadership, and empowering others in the community. In her most recent term on the Commission to Address Homelessness, she has served as Vice Chair.

Kelly Bruno-Nelson has more than 30 years of service in the non-profit and healthcare sector and is currently the Executive Director of Medi-Cal and California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) at CalOptima Health. In her role, she is responsible for the creation and launch of CalAIM community support services and the Enhanced Case Management Program, the growth and expansion of the \$300M annual community social benefit service infrastructure, and the development and oversight of a diverse giving portfolio of over 300 grants as well as the Street Medicine Program. Ms. Bruno-Nelson also holds a Doctor of Social Work from the University of Southern California.

Adam Foster is the current Chief of Police for the City of La Habra. His career in law enforcement spans over 20 years and includes leadership roles with patrol operations, Homeless Liaison Officers, field training management, and support services. Mr. Foster serves as co-chair of the Hope Center where he shares perspectives from the law enforcement community to help bring a collaborative approach to street outreach.

The County requests the Board approve the recommended appointments to the Commission, as referenced in the Recommended Actions. If approved, the candidate's terms on the Commission will begin on April 15, 2026, which is the date of the first meeting of the Commission they will attend.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

ATTACHMENT(S):

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