



**MINUTES**  
BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
**VIRTUAL MEETING\***

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2022 – 10:00 AM

\* IN CONFORMITY WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THIS BOARD MEETING WAS HELD ENTIRELY TELEPHONICALLY VIA ZOOM.

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Karen B. Winnick  
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Bernardo Silva  
*Vice President*

Margot Armbruster

Christopher Hopkins

Daryl Smith

Richard Lichtenstein  
*ex officio member*

Denise M. Verret  
Chief Executive Officer  
& Zoo Director

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Bernardo Silva  
Margot Armbruster  
Daryl Smith

**VISITORS**

No response

**EX OFFICIO MEMBER ABSENT**

Richard Lichtenstein

**COMMISSION STAFF**

Denise Verret  
Denise Tamura  
Lisa Gerencser

**MEDIA**

No response

**ZOO GENERAL COUNSEL**

Steve Houchin

**AGENDA ITEM 1**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commission Vice President Silva called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

**AGENDA ITEM 2**

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Comments

**LOBBYING NOTICE**

No Comments

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

No Comments



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**AGENDA ITEM 3**

**FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO  
ASSEMBLY BILL 361 / GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e)(3)**

Vice President Silva asked for a motion to approve findings that virtual meetings are still necessary. Commissioner Armbruster so moved, Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**AGENDA ITEM 4**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no more business to come before, Vice President Silva motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Smith so moved, and Commissioner Armbruster seconded. By unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.

**ATTEST:**

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY