



Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

September 18, 2025

3:00 PM

Zoom

Conference Call Phone: (669) 444-9171

MISSION STATEMENT

MMASC's mission is to serve as a catalyst for public service excellence through the professional development of the leaders who serve our Southern California communities. We provide a forum for local government professionals to establish meaningful connections, exchange resources and stimulate innovation.

1. CALL TO ORDER – 3:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

- President, Jonathan Royas
- Vice President, Joseph Cisneros – Excused Absence
- Director of Communications, Kirsten Graham
- Director of Finance, Rebecca Bernstorff – Excused Absence
- Director of Programming, Nicole Tibbet
- Director of Membership, Alyssa Palma
- Immediate Past President, Greg Kwolek – Excused Absence
- Region 1 Co-Chair, Shannon Kirn
- Region 2 Co-Chairs, Mary Haddad, Monique Martinez, Debra Gallegos, Arely Venegas
- Region 3 Chair
- Region 4 Co-Chairs, Clarence de Guzman, Antonio Martinez, Solomon Abdel-Aziz
- Region 5 Co-Chairs
- Region 6 Co-Chairs, Moises Mata
- Region 7 Co-Chairs, Elsa Robinson
- Region 8 Co-Chairs, London Adams
- CalCities Representative
- ICMA Representatives
- Institute for Local Government Representative
- MMANC Representative
- Executive Director, Kevin Kilkenny

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- *Motion by Director of Membership Palma, Second by Director of Programming Tibbet, motion passed unanimously*

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- *New Corporate Partner Prema Cultura and Composting*
- *Affiliate Agreements continue to be in progress*
- *Bylaw amendment to add retired membership category – Bylaw committee to review today*
- *Mentorship program recognitions*
- *Thanks to Moises Mata for Mentorship and Elections and Bylaws*
- *Window for Nomination Elections is open, nominations close September 25th*

5. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

6. DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS' REPORT

- *Annual Conference updates – Annual Conference Awards deadline has been extended to September 24th*
- *Board members can still register for AC at Early Bird Date*

7. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE'S REPORT

- *President reported on behalf of Finance Director*

8. DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING'S REPORT

- *Thank you to regions for Annual Conference outreach*
- *Will email details to ensure at least one representative for Annual Conference business meeting on Friday morning*
- *Session liaisons needed, more information coming soon, first come, first served*

9. DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP'S REPORT

- *Month of August 26 new members, 16 new in September, 1160 full members*
- *See you next week at Women's Leadership Summit on the Queen Mary*
- *Annual Conference update – Special events information has been sent out to those registered Annual Conference, share I'm attending graphic on LinkedIn*
- *Desert region postcards being mailed with QR code*

10. IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

11. REGION CHAIR REPORTS

A. CENTRAL COAST (REGION 1)

- *Shannon Kirn – Upcoming Event in Santa Maria on Thursday, October 9th from 9 – 11 AM Economic Development panel*

B. CHANNEL ISLANDS (REGION 2)

- *Mary Haddad, Monique Martinez, Debra Gallegos, Arely Venegas – Planning next Holiday event December 18th, with Ventura City Managers Association*

C. DESERT (REGION 3)

D. INLAND EMPIRE (REGION 4)

- *Clarence de Guzman, Antonio Martinez, Solomon Abdel-Aziz – Held SB 1383 Webinar on Wednesday, September 17th at 11AM, content can be shared upon request if you missed it. Last event of the year will be an Active Transportation Workshop.*
- *Inquiry about sponsorship for Active Transportation Workshop. Send estimate to President and Director of Programming.*

E. NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY (REGION 5)

F. SOUTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY (REGION 6)

- *Moises Mata – Planning stages of upcoming event Career Growth and Talent Development Webinar, Insights from an Executive Recruiter, Wednesday October 22 at 11:30 AM*

G. ORANGE COUNTY (REGION 7)

- *Elsa Robinson – Finalizing fall event webinar or tour, more details to be shared.*
- *Preparing interest form for new region board members.*

H. SAN DIEGO COUNTY (REGION 8)

- *Successful Padres v. Dodgers event*
- *London Adams – Collaborating with Region 5 for spooky themed local government stories,*

12. LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES / ICMA / ILG / MMANC REPRESENTATIVE REPORT / CAL CITIES HOUSING, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- *Will attend WLS*

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. NEW BUSINESS

- *Bylaws committee amendment by Tiara Solorzano to include honorary retired membership category*
- *Motion by Director of Membership Palma, Second by Region 4 Board Member Abdel-Aziz, motion passes unanimously*
- *Updates to be posted on website by committee*

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS / GOOD OF THE ORDER

- *Region 4 Board Member de Guzman asked for a potential CIP Project presentation at future conference or signature events*
- *President Royas will transition to the City of Moorpark as the Assistant City Manager*

17. ADJOURNMENT – 3:47 PM