



**CITY OF OAKLAND
CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE
OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023
4:00 PM
Via Zoom**

Oversight Commission Members:

Bernadette Zermeno (D-7), Clarissa Doutherd (D-4), Cynthia Adams, Dana Cilono (D-7), Edgar Rodriguez-Ramirez, Jessica Jung (D-2), Jorge Lerma (D-5), Kareem Weaver, Kym Johnson (D-4), Lange Luntao, Melanie Moore (D-2), Priya Jagannathan, Rickey Johnson (D-3), Tiffany Rose Lascado (D-6)

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*Each person wishing to speak on items must raise their hands via ZOOM
Persons addressing the Children's Initiative Commission shall state their names and the organization they are representing, if any.*

	AGENDA ITEM	SCHEDULE	ACTION	ATTACHMENTS
1	Call to Order	4:00 PM	AD	
2	Roll Call	5 Minutes	AD	
3	Resolution	5 Minutes	A	Attachment 1
4	Review of Agenda	5 Minutes	AD	
5	Public Forum – Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	5 Minutes	AD	
6	Children's Initiative Implementation Partner(s) – Status Update	5 Minutes	I	
7	Review Role & Responsibilities of the Commission	5 Minutes	AD	Attachment 2
8	Mission / Vision Discussion	20 Minutes	I	
9	PRESENTATION – Early Childhood Education 101	35 Minutes	I	
10	Other Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9th Annual African American Literature Read-In Week 	10 Minutes	AD	
11	Wrap-Up & Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for agenda topics for February 	5 Minutes	AD	

**A = Action Item I = Informational Item AD = Administrative Item
A* = Action, if Needed**

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**OAKLAND CHILDREN’S INITIATIVE
OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 01-26-23-1**

RESOLUTION RENEWING AND CONTINUING THE CHILDREN’S INITIATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION’S DETERMINATION THAT CONDUCTING IN-PERSON MEETINGS OF THE CHILDREN’S INITIATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND ITS COMMITTEES WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS TO ATTENDEES’ HEALTH, AND ELECTING TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING MEETINGS USING TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e), A PROVISION OF AB 361

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency related to COVID-19, pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, and such declaration has not been lifted or rescinded. (See <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.4.20-Coronavirus-SOE-Proclamation.pdf>); and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2022 Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-11-22 reaffirming that a State of Emergency exists in California as a result of COVID-19. (See <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/6.17.22-COVID-EO-Rollback-signed.pdf>); and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the City Administrator in their capacity as the Director of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), issued a proclamation of local emergency due to the spread of COVID-19 in Oakland, and on March 12, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution No. 88075 C.M.S. ratifying the proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code (O.M.C.) section 8.50.050(C); and

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 88075 remains in full force and effect to date; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) continues to recommend physical distancing of at least six (6) feet whenever possible, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, particularly for people who are not fully vaccinated or who are at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>); and

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that families with children under 5 and unvaccinated household members continue to take steps to prevent COVID-19 infection including distancing. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/groups/families-covid-19.html>); and

WHEREAS, the CDC continues to caution that older adults remain more likely to get very sick from COVID-19. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/aging/covid19/covid19-older-adults.html>); and

WHEREAS, the CDC, the California Department of Public Health, and the Alameda County Public Health Department all recommend that people experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or who have tested positive for COVID-19 stay home. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>); and

WHEREAS, the CDC still finds that COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalizations and death and continues to recommend that all eligible persons get vaccinated for COVID-19 and stay up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>); and

WHEREAS, vaccinated persons may still get COVID-19 and can spread the virus to others. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/effectiveness/why-measure-effectiveness/breakthrough-cases.html>); and

WHEREAS, anyone infected with COVID-19 can spread the virus, even if they do not have symptoms. (See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-covid-spreads.html>); and

WHEREAS, the City's public-meeting facilities are indoor facilities not designed to ensure circulation of fresh/outdoor air, particularly during periods of cold and/or rainy weather, and were not designed to ensure that attendees can remain six (6) feet apart; and

WHEREAS, holding in-person meetings would encourage community members to come to City facilities to participate in local government, and some of them would be at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 and/or may live with someone who is at high risk; and

WHEREAS, in-person meetings would tempt community members who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to leave their homes in order to come to City facilities and participate in local government; and

WHEREAS, attendees would use ride-share services and/or public transit to travel to in-person meetings, thereby putting them in close and prolonged contact with additional people outside of their households; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2022, the Children's Initiative Oversight Commission adopted Resolution No. 09-20-22-1 determining that conducting in-person meetings would present imminent risks to attendees' health, and electing to conduct meetings using teleconferencing in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e), a provision of AB 361; and

WHEREAS, by making these findings that conducting in-person meetings would present imminent risks to attendees' health, and by making an election to conduct meetings via teleconference, the Children's Initiative Oversight Commission may elect to continue to meet via teleconference by adopting subsequent resolutions, at least every 30 days, as part of a broader Children's Initiative Oversight Commission agenda, and need not do so on a single-subject agenda; now therefore be it:

RESOLVED: that the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and hereby adopts and incorporates them into this Resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that, based on these determinations and consistent with federal, state and local health guidance, the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission renews its determination that conducting in-person meetings would pose imminent risks to the health of attendees; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission firmly believes that the community’s health and safety and the community’s right to participate in local government, are both critically important, and the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission is committed to balancing the two by continuing to use teleconferencing to conduct public meetings, in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e), a provision of AB 361; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission will renew these (or similar) findings at least every thirty (30) days in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e) until the state of emergency related to COVID-19 has been lifted, or the Children’s Initiative Oversight Commission finds that in-person meetings no longer pose imminent risks to the health of attendees, whichever is occurs first.



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OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

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OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION – ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Children's Initiative Ordinance

It shall be the responsibility of the Citizens' Oversight Commission to:

1. **Approve subsequent five-year Guidelines** for the Early Education and Oakland Promise Funds after the expiration of the initial five-year Guidelines, which are set forth in Sections 1606 and 1609 of this Act;
2. **Review the analysis and recommendations of the accountability officer for the selection of Implementation Partners**, approve or reject the recommendation for the selection of Implementation Partners for the Early Education and Oakland Promise Funds, ensure that the selection is consistent with the Act, and once approved, submit the final selection to the Oakland City Council for its adoption without amendment;
3. After considering the recommendation of the accountability officer, **approve any extensions of the term of an Implementation Partner**, by a majority vote, or any termination of an Implementation Partner for reasons as specified in Sections 1605 and 1608, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, if extension or termination would further the purposes of the Act;
4. **Review and approve the results of annual independent financial audits** of each of the Funds;
5. **Review the performance appraisals** of the implementation of the Early Education and Oakland Promise programs presented by the accountability officer;
6. **Review the external evaluations** of the implementation of the Early Education and Oakland Promise programs presented by the accountability officer; and
7. Perform such other functions and duties as may be prescribed by the City Administrator.

OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION – ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

[Children's Initiative Ordinance](#)

Other Noteworthy Items:

- The Citizens' Oversight Commission shall be composed of nine (9) to fifteen (15) members – We are at 15 and one of the larger commissions of the City
- Quorum – A majority of the appointed members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but in no case shall a quorum be fewer than five (5) members.
- Compensation – Members shall serve without compensation, provided that members may request and receive reimbursement for actual transportation and childcare expenses, not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) annually. – We are one of the only commissions with this provision.