



# AREA AGENCY ON AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL

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## MEETING AGENDA

**Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**

**Imperial County Workforce Development Board – Conference Room  
2799 S. 4th Street, El Centro, CA 92243**

<b>Chairperson:</b> AJ Gaddis	<b>Vice-Chair:</b> Paul R. Monarrez	<b>Secretary:</b> Patricia Burnworth	<b>Past Chair:</b>
<b>Members:</b>			
Sup. John Hawk	Cynthia Alba	Cheryl V. Walker	John Hernandez
Sylvia Chavez	Ember Haller	Manuel Sanchez	Patricia A. Thompson
Helen Lopez	Daniel Romero	Anna M. Garcia	Benjamin Horton
Lucy M. Hendry	Ana Rodriguez		
<b>Alternates:</b>	Ismael Lopez	Mary Walla	Sup. Peggy Price

*Advisory Council members please be advised:* If an item on the meeting agenda relates to the provision of services by you, your immediate family, the entity you represent, or any person who has made \$250 in campaign contributions to you during the last 12 months, or if approval or disapproval of an agenda item would have a foreseeable material effect on an economic interest of you, your immediate family, or the entity you represent, then please follow these procedures: When the agenda item is first introduced, please immediately announce that you are recusing yourself from participating in the agenda item, and then refrain from discussing, voting on, or otherwise influencing the Advisory Council's consideration of the agenda item.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is a public meeting. Any person wishing to address the Council is asked to complete a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. When the agenda item is announced and your name is called, please come forward and address yourself to the Council. Unless the Chairperson extends the time, there is a three (3) minute time limit for each public presentation. If you wish to address the Council on any matter within the Council's jurisdiction that is not listed on the agenda, you may do so during the public comment portion of the agenda. The Council will listen to all public comments. In compliance with the Brown Act, the Council will not take any action on items that are not on the agenda. Any information provided on the Request to Speak form will be public record.

*All items posted on the agenda are subject to action. Please turn off or silence all phones before the start of the meeting.*

**COUNCIL MEMBERS, PLEASE REVIEW AGENDA, COMPLETE YOUR CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST FORM, & PROVIDE TO AAA STAFF OR CHAIR PRIOR TO START OF MEETING**

## WELCOME

**I. FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL (MEMBERS), AND INTRODUCTIONS (GUESTS):** **GADDIS**

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **GADDIS**

January 15, 2026, Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** **GADDIS**

**IV. PRESENTATIONS:**

a) Alz-Care, Inc. – Respite Services – Frank Ezpinoza, Program Coordinator

**V. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEM(S):** **GADDIS**

a) **Announcement of Vacancy and Advisory Council to set deadline for applications**

As of January 15, 2026, the Advisory Council has the following vacancy:

- One (1) At-Large Member position (recommended to represent Law Enforcement).  
Advisory Council to set deadline to accept applications for the at-large member position.  
(ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM Va)

b) **Ad-hoc Nominating Committee**

Chair to appoint Ad-hoc Nominating Committee of not less than three (3) Advisory Council members to make recommendations on vacancies and to select the slate officer nominations.

**VI. AREA AGENCY ON AGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT** **ENZ**

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<b>VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:</b>		<b>VARIOUS</b>
Executive:	Gaddis	
Legislative:	Lopez	
Nutrition:	Burnworth	
Transportation:	Gaddis	
Social & Health:	Sanchez	
<b>VIII. INFORMATION:</b>		<b>AAA STAFF</b>
a) FY 2025-2026 Attendance Roster		
b) Legislative Committee Written Report – February 2026		
c) California Senior Legislature – 2026 Election Flyer		
d) Public Hearings Schedule		
e) AARP Free Tax Preparation Flyer		
<b>IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</b>		<b>VARIOUS</b>
<b>X. ANNOUNCEMENT BY MEMBERS</b>		<b>GADDIS</b>
<b>XI. ADJOURNMENT</b>		<b>GADDIS</b>