



## **Notice of Meeting**

California Exposition & State Fair  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
To Be Held

**Friday, December 8, 2023, 9:00 a.m.**

**The Board will meet in closed session at 9:00 a.m.**

**Public Board Meeting will resume at 10:00 a.m.**

**In the Administration Building Boardroom at  
California Exposition and State Fair**

1600 Exposition Boulevard  
Sacramento, CA 95815

Che Salinas, Chair  
Hannah Gbeh, Vice Chair

Rima Barkett, Director  
Kim Craig, Director  
Sonney Chong, Director  
Jess Durfee, Director

David Mallel, Director  
Brian May, Director  
Willie Pelote, Director

Rex Hime, Honorary Director

### EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Governor Gavin Newsom

Senator Angelique Ashby  
Senator Melissa Hurtado

Assembly Member Kevin McCarty  
Assembly Member Esmeralda Soria

**218 days to California State Fair (July 12-30, 2024)**

This notice is also available on the Internet at: [www.CalExpoStateFair.com](http://www.CalExpoStateFair.com)

## **Mission Statement**

The California Exposition & State Fair mission is to create a State Fair experience reflecting California including its industries, agriculture, and diversity of its people, traditions and trends shaping its future supported by year-round events.

## **Policy Statement**

The Board shall serve as the policy-making body for the California Exposition & State Fair and shall have full responsibility for the year-round management and operation of all facilities of the California Exposition & State Fair.

## **Public Comment**

Any member of the public wishing to address the Board on any matter listed for consideration on this agenda shall fill out a Speaker's Form and provide it to the Board's Recording Secretary. All speakers will be recognized by the Chair and be allowed a maximum of three minutes to address the Board at the time the agenda item is being considered by the Board.

If you wish to address the Board on a matter not listed on the agenda, you have that right. If you wish to exercise that right, please fill out a Speaker's Form and provide it to the Board's Recording Secretary. You will be allowed a maximum of three minutes to address the Board during the Public Comment item on the agenda.

## **AGENDA**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER – Public Meeting**

All matters noticed on this agenda, in any category, may be considered for action as listed. Any items not so noticed may not be considered. Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order, at the discretion of the Chair.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

### **3. CLOSED SESSION**

- a.** Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(7)(A) the Board will convene in closed session for the purposes of discussing matter of real property negotiations.
- b.** Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)(1), the Board will meet in closed session to discuss personnel matters related to the General Manager.

### **4. RESUME PUBLIC MEETING**

- a.** Report out of Closed Session, if needed.

**5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**6. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & STAFF**

**7. PRESENTATIONS**

**a. Staff Retiring:**

Marcia Shell	5/1978 - 12/2023
Mike Ward	9/1989 – 12/2023
Teresa Tillman	1/1991 – 12/2023

**b. Board Members Retiring:**

Rima Barkett	2012-2023
Jess Durfee	2016-2023
Hannah Gbeh	2021-2023
David Mallel	2012-2023

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

In accordance with state law, the Board will not comment or otherwise consider Public Comment matters until and unless such item has been properly noticed for a future meeting.

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items on the consent agenda are to be approved in one motion unless a Board Member requests a separate action on a specific item.

- a.** Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for October 27, 2023
- b.** Service Contracts/Purchase Orders Requiring Board Notification/Approval

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a.** Finance & Audit Committee
  - i.** Rock & Brews

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- a.** Review for Approval Proposed 2024 Cal Expo State Fair Meeting Dates

**12. OLD BUSINESS**

- a.** Future Fair Dates
- b.** Cannabis
- c.** Western Fairs Association
- d.** OVG 360 2023 Contract

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a.** Letter from California Department of Food & Agriculture

**14. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- a. Nominations received at last public meeting on October 27, 2023:
  - 1. Chair – Willie Pelote
  - 2. Vice Chair – Kim Craig
  - 3. Nominations from the Floor
  - 4. Close Nominations
  - 5. Hold Election of 2024 Officers of the Board
- b. Office of Secretary-Treasurer/General Manager – Tom Martinez

**15. MATTERS OF INFORMATION**

- a. CEO Comments
- b. Directors Comments/Agenda Items for Future Meetings
- c. Next Board Meeting **TBD**
- d. Other, if any

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: November 28, 2023

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