

I. Introductions/Announcements - Nancy Volpert, Co-Chair, Minty Siu-Kootnikoff, Co-Chair had some challenges with technology and physical space at the beginning of the meeting and Ashley Phillips graciously read the meeting protocols which were as follows:

Meeting Protocols -Before we begin this meeting, please be reminded that this is an open and public meeting. Therefore, anything discussed is not protected by any type of confidentiality. Any client identifying information should not be presented. Please avoid discussion of personal cases as well. If you need additional resources, please contact the co-chairs after this meeting.

II. 2025 Legislation & Policies

a. State – see bill chart for updates

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bC4esJ8LykqP4Piz75C29UGjIX_Fw7hZGE6am6755GA/edit?usp=sharing

Of note on the bill chart was that although AB601 is dead, the noncontroversial portions of the bill, including portions on training were incorporated into the budget. Also note that there are new bills in light yellow highlight that were not included previously but may be of interest to our community.

b. Local – no new updates with the DVRO enforcement task this month, stay tuned. A massive new County motion read on 9/30/25 to promote DV awareness month. Return due in 120 days and lead agency is the Office of Violence Prevention. We should discuss this motion further in January 2026. **Proclaiming October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Strengthening Countywide Strategies to Support Survivors**
Motion: <https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/207884.pdf>. LA County DVAM event on October 23.
<https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/207884.pdf> City event is scheduled for October 17, wear purple.

c. Federal – Gov’t shutdown continues. No budget negotiations currently in progress. CPEDV and NNEDV are tracking impact of the shutdown on contracts. State (non-federal passthrough) funding continues.

III. Emerging issues – statewide election on November 4; only one issue – Prop 50 was put on the ballot as urgency litigation. Go Vote! Drop in ballot dropbox by November 4, if mailing in your ballot, do so asap. The ballots have prepaid postage. Please reach out to people whose continuity of ballot mailing was disrupted by the wildfires to remind them of the November 4 election. Nancy provides overview of the substance of Prop 50.

IV. Follow up on items from previous meeting

a. Reorg of the DA’s office? No updates

b. Concerns about DVC bylaws – DVC to engage membership on either 11/07 or in December. Ashley to clarify the date

c. Pre-Service solicitation issue with the State Bar. If you want to submit public comment again, deadline is October 22.

V. Matters not on posted agenda (to be presented and placed on a future agenda).

- a. November meeting will be discussion of people's legislative ideas and planning for 2026 legislative year.
Also in November, we can discuss what we would like to present at the February New Laws training

VI. Public Comments (not to exceed two minutes per person and must be on items of interest which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council.)

VIII. Reminder to complete DVC committee meeting survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C8MC8V9>

IX. Next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2025 at JFS Hope offices

X. Adjourn