

**ORDINANCE NO. 10987 (N.S.)**

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE IIIx TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL HUMAN  
TRAFFICKING AND COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN  
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego ordains as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors (Board) finds and determines that it created the San Diego Regional Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Advisory Council (Advisory Council) to collaboratively develop long-term, systemic changes to effectively address human trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of children. The Board mandated that the Council be comprised of members from law enforcement agencies, victim services organizations, the education community, and volunteer and community groups. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish the duties, membership and organization of the Advisory Council.

Prior to the effective date of this ordinance, the Advisory Council comprised the representatives of subcommittees, which were informal and formal groups generally self-organized by the sectors (business, child and family well-being, community, education, health, law enforcement, prosecution, research and data, survivor voices, and survivor services) involved in combating and responding to human trafficking and CSEC. Subcommittees elected (2) members from each of the ten (10) sectors groups, for a total of twenty (20) members on the Advisory Council. With the adoption of this ordinance, the Council will maintain the same number of members, representing the same ten sectors; however, membership will now be via application and additional appointing authorities have been established. To formalize these changes, a new ordinance is required.

Section 2. Article III(x) of the San Diego County Administrative Code is hereby added to read as follows:

**SEC. 84.900 THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND  
COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN ADVISORY COUNCIL**

On June 14, 2011, the Board of Supervisors established the San Diego Regional Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Advisory Council (Advisory Council).

**SEC. 84.901 INTENT AND PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Advisory Council is to collaboratively create long-term, systemic changes to effectively address human trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of children.

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The intent of the Advisory Council is to implement a holistic, countywide approach integrating the “Four P’s Model” of the U.S. Department of Justice: Prevention, Protection, Prosecution, and Partnerships. It will focus on identifying best practices, promising trends and collaborative actions to address the root causes of trafficking and exploitation, advance public policy, standardize training and protocols, and enhance victim services through an optimized, seamless service delivery system.

#### SEC. 84.902 APPLICABILITY

All individuals serving on the Advisory Council as of the effective date of this Article shall continue to serve in their current capacity for the duration of their respective terms, subject to the other provisions of this Article. Upon expiration or vacancy of any such term, a new member will be appointed as described in section 84.905.

#### SEC. 84.903 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Advisory Council shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- (a) Provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for combating human trafficking in San Diego.
- (b) Provide a forum for interagency cooperation on human trafficking related issues.
- (c) Promote public awareness of human trafficking and the resources available for intervention.
- (d) Encourage and facilitate training of professionals in the prevention, protection from, and prosecution of human trafficking.
- (e) Recommend improvements in services to families and victims of human trafficking and those who may be at risk.
- (f) Encourage and facilitate community support for human trafficking support programs.
- (g) Collaborate and communicate with other advisory boards on issues of mutual concern.

#### SEC. 84.904 MEMBERSHIP AND SELECTION.

The Advisory Council shall consist of twenty (20) voting members as follows:

- (a) Two (2) members from the business community.
- (b) Two (2) members appointed by the Director of Child and Family Well-Being.
- (c) Two (2) members who represent community-based efforts to raise awareness of and prevent trafficking or to advocate for victims of or those at risk of human trafficking.
- (d) Two (2) members employed in the education field.

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- (e) Two (2) members employed in the behavioral health or healthcare field.
- (f) Two (2) members employed by a law enforcement or prosecution agency involved in prevention and protection from human trafficking appointed by the San Diego Human Trafficking Task Force (HTTF). In the event the HTTF ceases to exist, the member will be appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or their designated Deputy Chief Administrative Officer (DCAO).
- (g) Two (2) members representing a prosecution agency appointed by the San Diego County District Attorney and the San Diego City Attorney.
- (h) Two (2) members engaged in formal research and/or data collection in the field of human trafficking.
- (i) Two (2) members who are survivors of human trafficking or a family member of a survivor.
- (j) Two (2) members working for a community-based entity that provide direct services to survivors of human trafficking.

#### SEC. 84.905 APPOINTMENT

- (a) Except for members appointed by the District Attorney, City Attorney, Director of Child and Family Well-Being, and the Human Trafficking Task Force, the CAO or their designated Deputy will appoint members to the Advisory Council.

#### SEC 84.906 TERM OF OFFICE.

- (a) All members shall serve a term of two (2) years.
- (b) Members shall serve for no more than two consecutive terms. A term shall include any appointment to fill a vacancy for one year or more.
- (c) Any member whose term has expired shall continue their duties until a successor is appointed.
- (d) If a vacancy occurs in mid-term, the new member shall serve for the remainder of the term of the member being replaced.

#### SEC. 84.907 VACANCIES.

A vacancy shall be recognized before the expiration of the term upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- (a) The death of the incumbent.
- (b) The resignation of the incumbent.

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- (c) Removal at the pleasure of the appointing authority.
- (d) If the incumbent ceases to reside in the County of San Diego.
- (e) Unexcused absences from more than half of the regularly scheduled full Advisory Council meetings in any twelve (12) month period.
- (f) A vacancy left by a member serving a term will be filled to serve out the remainder of the term.

**SEC. 84.908 ORGANIZATION.**

- (a) Officers. The Advisory Council shall elect from its membership one (1) Chair, one (1) Vice Chair, and any other officers as may be deemed necessary for the conduct of its business. Those officers shall serve terms of two (2) years.
- (b) Rules. The Advisory Council shall prepare and adopt the necessary rules and policies for the conduct of its business.
- (c) Quorum. A majority of members currently serving on the Advisory Council shall constitute a quorum.
- (d) Meetings. The Advisory Council shall establish a regular meeting schedule and shall give public notice of the time and place of public forums and meetings in compliance with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

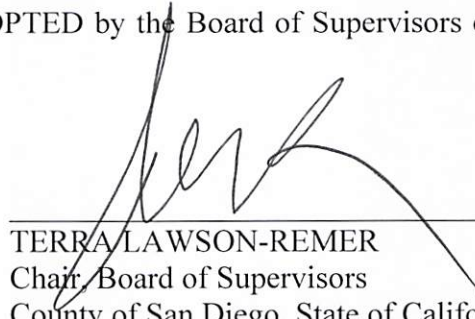
**SEC. 84.909 COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES.**

Members of the Advisory Council shall serve without compensation and shall not be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing the duties assigned to them under this Article.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days after its passage, and before the expiration of fifteen days after its passage, a summary hereof shall be published once with the names of the members of this Board voting for and against it in the Daily Transcript, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY**  
**Damon M. Brown, County Counsel**  
**BY: Mark Day, Supervising Deputy County Counsel**

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.



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TERRA LAWSON-REMER  
Chair, Board of Supervisors  
County of San Diego, State of California

The above Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ATTEST my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

ANDREW POTTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By   
Nancy Vizcarra, Deputy



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