



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION**
1816 S. Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, California 90015



REGULAR MEETING OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION
Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 1:30 pm PST

LOCATION: Bob Hope Patriotic Hall – Nimitz Room, 8th floor

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Item	Topic	Speaker
1	Call to Order	Hugh E. Crooks, Jr., Chair
2	SAFE Acknowledgment and Pledge of Allegiance	Rocio Palmero, Vice Chair
3	Roll Call	Stephanie Guerrero, Secretary
4	Public Comment on Agenda Items	Three minutes per speaker
5	Approval of Minutes: February 18, 2026	Hugh E. Crooks, Jr., Chair
6	Chairman Report	Hugh E. Crooks, Jr., Chair
7	Employment Development Department	Rodrigo Garibay
8	Veterans Mental Evaluation Team	Sergeant Patrick V. Blanchfield-Gadut
9	38 CFR 4.10 – Evaluative Rating	Jawana McFadden, Commissioner
10	Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Report	Jim Zenner, Executive Director
11	Future Agenda Items	Commissioners
12	Commissioner Announcements	Commissioners
13	General Public Comment	Three minutes per speaker
14	Adjournment	Hugh E. Crooks, Jr., Chair

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