

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 2.10
(ID # 29811)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, April 14, 2026


FROM : HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS AND SUPERVISOR JOSE MEDINA

SUBJECT: HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS / SUPERVISOR JOSE MEDINA:
Riverside County Workforce Development Board Re-Appointment of Angel Sanchez, Jr.; District
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RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Re-Appointment of Angel Sanchez, Jr. to the Riverside County Workforce Development Board.

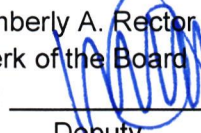
ACTION:Consent


Heidi Marshall, Director 3/19/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: April 14, 2026
xc: BOS-D1, HWS, Board, Appointee, COB/CF

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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| FINANCIAL DATA | Current Fiscal Year: | Next Fiscal Year: | Total Cost: | Ongoing Cost |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| COST | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| NET COUNTY COST | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| SOURCE OF FUNDS: NA | | | Budget Adjustment: | No |
| | | | For Fiscal Year: | 2026/27- 2027/28 |

Type of Nomination

Private Sector Representative

Member Name:

Angel Sanchez, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
Phenix Technology, Inc.

Address:

3453 Durahart St.
Riverside, CA 92507

Telephone:

951-272-4938

Email: angels@phenixfirehelmets.com

Term of Appointment: March 5, 2026, through March 5, 2028

BACKGROUND:

Riverside County Workforce Development Board (WDB) is a private sector led policy and oversight body that supports the expansion and development of the regional workforce. The WDB is governed by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA) which mandates that more than 50% of the WDB's members must come from the business community. In addition, WDBs are required to have representation from universities or community colleges, economic development, and local labor workforce organizations. This ensures that federal funds for workforce development activities are expended on training and career coaching that meets the needs of the business community. Pursuant to WIOA, the Board of Supervisors, led by the Board Chairman who serves as the Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO), is responsible for appointing the WDB members for two-year terms.

Angel Sanchez Jr., a lifelong resident of Riverside County, has navigated his journey from humble beginnings to becoming a prominent advocate for workforce development and economic empowerment. Growing up in a disadvantaged environment where opportunities were scarce, Mr. Sanchez understands firsthand the challenges faced by individuals striving to break

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free from socioeconomic barriers. Despite these obstacles, Mr. Sanchez pursued higher education earning a bachelor's degree in public administration from California Baptist University and an accounting and finance certificate from the University of California San Diego Rady School of Management. His academic journey and life experience not only equipped him with the necessary skills and knowledge but also instilled in him a deep sense of purpose to address the critical needs of small business and to create opportunities for those facing barriers to employment.

As the CEO of Phenix Technology, Inc, a Riverside-based manufacturer of American-made helmets, Mr. Sanchez is dedicated to leveraging his position to create pathways for others to succeed. The organization is renowned worldwide for the people centered work culture and has been recognized with numerous awards during his time there. Alongside his corporate responsibilities, he actively serves on several advisory committees of the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce including Economic Development, where he advocates for policies that stimulate business growth and job creation.

Mr. Sanchez's commitment to workforce development extends beyond his business. He actively participates in various private and government apprenticeship boards and committees, advocating for the expansion of apprenticeship and work study programs to bridge the skills gap and provide individuals with viable career opportunities. Most recently he has been successful in working with the State Council on Developmental Disabilities to create a strong collaborative effort towards creating opportunities for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Through his multifaceted engagement, Mr. Sanchez embodies a holistic approach to community development, recognizing the interconnectedness of economic prosperity and workforce empowerment. His journey from adversity to accomplishment serves as a testament to the transformative power of education, perseverance, and community support.

Mr. Sanchez has expressed interest in continuing to serve on the Riverside County Workforce Development Board as a Private Sector Member for the First District. If appointed, he will serve a two-year term commencing March 5, 2026, through March 5, 2028.