

Metro



Board Report

File #: 2021-0345, File Type: Motion / Motion Response

Agenda Number: 43.

**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MAY 20, 2021**

Motion by:

DIRECTORS GARCETTI, SOLIS, AND NAJARIAN

Amend the Metro Administrative Code to Refer to the Board Secretary as Board Clerk

State law requires the Metro Board to appoint a Board Secretary. The Board Secretary is the professional administrative arm of Metro and reports directly to the Board of Directors.

Pursuant to the Metro Administrative Code, the Board Secretary is a full time officer of Metro and is responsible for providing notice to the public of all Board meetings, keeping official minutes of all Board meetings, acting as agent for service of process, and administering claims for damages presented against Metro under the Government Code. Moreover, the Board Secretary provides administrative and professional services to support the Board of Directors in accordance with Metro's vision and internal controls.

The current title of Board Secretary reflects a solely administrative role and does not reflect the professional nature and responsibilities of the office. The title "Board Clerk" more accurately reflects both the administrative and professional nature and responsibilities of the office and is in line with industry and government agency standards.

Additionally, as L.A. County recovers from the pandemic, the Board Secretary/Board Clerk should prepare a strategic plan that identifies opportunities to strengthen public engagement with the Metro Board.

SUBJECT: AMEND THE METRO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REFER TO THE BOARD SECRETARY AS BOARD CLERK

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Motion by Directors Garcetti, Solis, and Najarian that the Board of Directors amend the Metro Administrative Code Section 2-10-010 to refer to the Board Secretary as the Board Clerk.

From:
2-10-010 Appointment of Board Secretary

The Board of Directors shall appoint a Board Secretary who shall be a full time officer of the MTA.

To:
2-10-010 Appointment of Board Secretary
The Board of Directors shall appoint a Board Secretary who shall be a full time officer of the MTA and be referred to as Board Clerk.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the Board of Directors direct the Board Clerk to prepare a strategic plan, including but not limited to:

1. Delivering continuous improvement to encourage meaningful public engagement and improve accessibility of Board meetings, materials, and public comments; and
2. Continuation of effective public engagement options developed as Metro and L.A. County jurisdictions responded to the pandemic and its recovery process.