



Board Report

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**SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 20, 2016**

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

ACTION: APPROVE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE nominees for **membership on Metro’s Service Councils.**

ISSUE

Each Metro Service Council is comprised of nine Representatives that serve a term of three years; terms are staggered so that the terms of three of each Council’s nine members expire annually on June 30. Incumbent Representatives can serve additional terms if re-nominated by the nominating authority and confirmed by the Metro Board.

DISCUSSION

Metro seeks to appoint Service Council members reflective of the demographics of each respective region. The 2010 Census demographics of each of the Service Council regions are as follows:

% Sector Total	Hispanic	White	Asian	Black	Other	Total Pop
SGV	50.0%	19.9%	24.9%	3.3%	2.0%	100.0%
SFV	41.0%	42.0%	10.7%	3.4%	2.9%	100.0%
South Bay	42.5%	23.8%	12.0%	18.3%	3.4%	100.0%
Westside/Central	43.5%	30.7%	13.0%	10.0%	2.8%	100.0%
Gateway Cities	63.9%	16.7%	8.5%	8.6%	2.3%	100.0%
Service Area Total	48.5%	26.8%	14.0%	8.2%	2.6%	100.0%

The individuals listed below have been nominated to serve by the Councils’ appointing authorities. If approved by the Board, these appointments will serve a three-year term or the remainder of the seat’s three-year term as indicated. A brief listing of qualifications for the new nominees is provided along with the nomination letters from the nominating authorities:

- A. Joseph Strapac, Gateway Cities Service Council, New Appointment/Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2017

The demographic makeup of the Gateway Cities Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of five (5) White members and four (4) Hispanic members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be six (6) men and three (3) women.

- B. Carla Canales, San Fernando Valley Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
Term Ending: June 30, 2019

The demographic makeup of the San Fernando Valley Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of three (3) White members, five (5) Hispanic members, and one (1) Asian member as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be seven (7) men and two (2) women.

- C. Alba M. Peña, Westside Central Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
Term Ending: June 30, 2019

The demographic makeup of the Westside Central Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of four (4) Hispanic members, three (3) White members, and two (2) Black members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be six (6) men and three (3) women.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Maintaining the full complement of representatives on each Service Council to represent each service area is important. As each representative is to be a regular user of public transit, and each Council is composed of people from diverse areas and backgrounds, this enables each Council to better understand the needs of transit consumers including the need for safe operation of transit service and safe location of bus stops.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact imparted by approving the recommended action.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The alternative to approving this appointment would be for these nominees to not be approved for appointment. To do so would result in reduced effectiveness of the Service Council, as it would increase the difficulty of obtaining the quorum necessary to allow the Service Council to formulate and submit their recommendations to the Board. It would also result in the Service Council having less diverse representation of their service area.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to monitor the major contributors to the quality of bus service from the customer's perspective, and share that information with the Service Councils for use in their work to plan, implement, and improve bus service in their areas and the customer experience using our bus service.

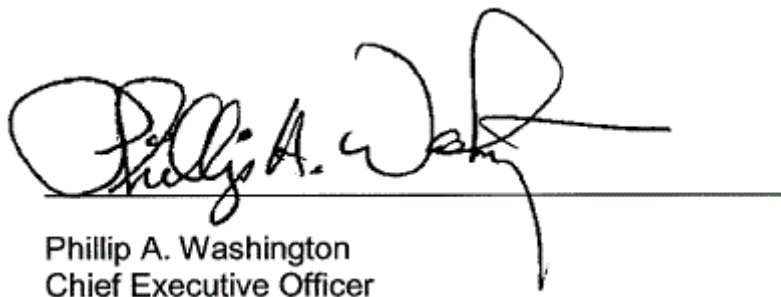
ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - New Appointee/s Biography and Listing of Qualifications

Attachment B - Appointing Authority Nomination Letter

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