



Board Report

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**SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
JULY 16, 2015**

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

ACTION: APPROVE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

RECOMMENDATION

SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (5-0) approving nominees for **membership on Metro’s Gateway Cities, San Fernando Valley, and San Gabriel Valley 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 or re-nominated to serve by their respective Council’s 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 new nominees is provided along with the nomination letter(s) from the nominating authorities for all nominees:

A. Jo Ann Eros Delgado, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2018

B. Richard Burnett, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2018

C. Wally Shidler, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the Gateway Cities Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of five (5) Hispanic members, three (3) White members, and one (1) Black member 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.

D. Jess Talamontes, San Fernando Valley Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: City of Burbank
Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the San Fernando Valley Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of six (6) Hispanic members and two (2) White members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be seven (7) men and one (1) woman.

E. Bruce Heard, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the San Gabriel Valley Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of five (5) White members, one (1) Hispanic member, one (1) Asian member, and one (1) Native/Other member as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be eight (8) men and zero (0) 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 these appointments would be for these nominees to not be approved for appointment. To do so would result in reduced effectiveness of the Service Councils, as it would increase the difficulty of obtaining the quorum necessary to allow the Service Councils to formulate and submit their recommendations to the Board. It would also result in each of the Service Councils having less diverse representation of their respective service areas.

NEXT STEPS

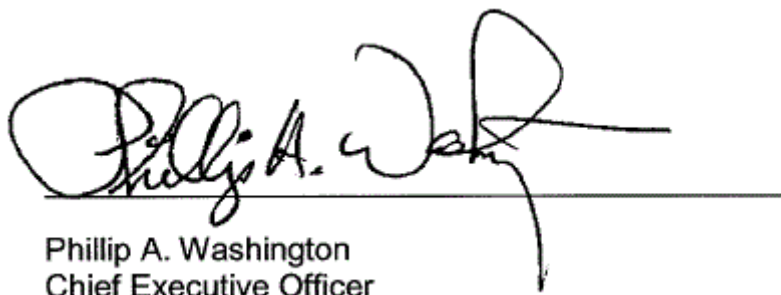
There are five (5) vacant Service Council seats for which no nomination to reappoint or replace has been received. Staff will continue to work closely with the nominating authorities to identify candidates for these vacant positions. When the Board of Directors approves the nominating authority's candidate(s), those appointees will then be eligible to vote at their Service Council meeting(s).

ATTACHMENTS

- A. New Appointees Biographies and Listing of Qualifications
- B. Appointing Authority Nomination Letters

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