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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE
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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
San Gabriel Valley	50.0%	19.9%	24.9%	3.3%	2.0%	100.0%
San Fernando Valley	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:

Gateway Cities

The demographic makeup of the Gateway Cities Service Council with the appointment of these

nominees will consist of five (5) Hispanic members and four (4) White members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be five (5) men and four (4) women.

- A. Al Rios, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- B. Lori Y. Woods, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- C. Karina Macias, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

San Fernando Valley

The demographic makeup of the San Fernando Valley Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of five (5) Hispanic members and four (4) White members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be five (5) men and four (4) women.

- D. Donald Weissman, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- E. Carla Canales Cortez, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- F. Dennis Washburn, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

San Gabriel Valley

The demographic makeup of the San Gabriel Valley Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of four (4) White members, two (2) Hispanic members, one (1) Native American member, 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 one (1) woman.

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, appointing authority for three Council seats, is currently selecting a candidate to replace one of their appointees whose term expires June 30, 2019. Their nomination will be submitted for approval in the near future.

- G. Peter Chan, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, New Appointment

Nominated by: The City of Monterey Park
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

- H Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Fifth District Supervisor Kathryn Barger
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

South Bay

The demographic makeup of the South Bay Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of three (3) Hispanic members, three (3) White members, one (1) Asian member, 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 seven (7) men and two (2) women.

- I- Ernie Crespo, South Bay Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- J- Elaine Jeng, South Bay Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- K- Roye Love, South Bay Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

Westside Central

The demographic makeup of the Westside Central Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of three (3) Hispanic members, three (3) White members, two (2) Black 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 five (5) men and four (4) women.

- L. Ernesto Hidalgo, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- M. Perri Sloane-Goodman, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Westside Central Council of Governments
Term Ending: June 30, 2022
- N. Alfonso J. Directo Jr., Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
Term Ending: June 30, 2022

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.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Approval of this recommendation supports the following Metro Strategic Plan Goal: 3) Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The alternative to approving this appointment would be for this nominee 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 the Service Councils having less diverse representation of their respective 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 and to implement and improve bus service in their areas and the customer experience using our bus service.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - New Nominees' Listing of Qualifications

Attachment B - Nomination Letters

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