

**Board Report** 

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# SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE JUNE 18, 2015

## SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

### ACTION: APPROVE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

#### RECOMMENDATION

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR nominees for **membership on Metro's San Fernando** Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay, and Westside Central Service Councils.

#### <u>ISSUE</u>

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 ending on June 30, 2018. A brief listing of qualifications for new nominees is provided along with the nomination letter(s) from the nominating authorities for all nominees:

A. Michael Cano, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment

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Nominated by: Fifth District Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the San Fernando Valley Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of five (5) Latinos, and two (2) Caucasian members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be six (6) males and no (0) females.

B. Roger Chandler, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, New Appointment Nominated by: City of Arcadia Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the San Gabriel Valley Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of one (1) Latino, one (1) Asian, one (1) Native American, and four (4) Caucasian members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be seven (7) males and no (0) females.

- C. Charles Michael Deemer, South Bay Service Council, New Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2018
- D. John Addleman, South Bay Service Council; Re-Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2018
- E. Don Szerlip, South Bay Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the South Bay Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of one (1) Latino, two (2) Black, and six (6) Caucasian members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be seven (7) males and two (2) females.

- F. George Taule, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: City of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti Term Ending: June 30, 2018
- G. Elliot Petty, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Second District Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas Term Ending: June 30, 2018

The demographic makeup of the Westside Central Service Council with the appointment of these nominees will consist of one (1) Latino, one (1) Asian, two (2) Black, and three (3) Caucasian members as self-identified by the members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender breakdown of the Council will be five (5) males and two (2) females.

# 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: conduct public hearings to consider staff proposed major service changes to Metro's bus routes within their service region, to approve, modify, or revise major and minor service changes proposed by Metro staff 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) Service Council representatives with current terms of service that will expire at the end of June 30, 2015 and three (3) pre-existing vacancies for which no nominations to reappoint or replace have been received. Staff will continue to work closely with the nominating authorities for these eight (8) positions. The current representatives may continue to sit with their Service Council and participate in discussions but will not be eligible to vote on any matter before their Service Council after their terms expire on June 30, 2015. When the Board of Directors approves the nominating authority's candidate(s), those representatives will be eligible to vote at their Service Council meeting.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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

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