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2nd REVISED SYSTEMS SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE JUNE 21, 2018

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

ACTION: APPROVE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

RECOMMENDATION

File #: 2018-0008, File Type: Appointment

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 four (4) 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 five (5) men and three (3) women.

A member of the San Gabriel Valley Service Council has resigned effective June 30, which will create one (1) vacancy on this Council. The appointing authority is currently recruiting potential replacement candidates and will submit their nomination for approval in the near future.

- A. Jo Ann Eros Delgado, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- B. Richard Burnett, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- C. Wally G. Shidler, Gateway Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Gateway Cities Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021

San Fernando Valley

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

- D. Jenny Daniels Freese, San Fernando Valley Service Council, New Appointment Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- E. Dave Perry, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Fifth District Supervisor Stephanie Kathryn Barger Term Ending: June 30, 2021

An additional vacancy will be created with the expiration of the term of the seat assigned to the Cities of Burbank, Glendale, and San Fernando. The Cities have yet to reach an agreement as to whom should serve as their representative, which will create one (1) vacancy on this Council. The appointing authorities are currently negotiating to resolve this issue and will submit their nomination for approval in the near future.

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.

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G. Roger Chandler, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: The City of Arcadia Term Ending: June 30, 2021

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.

- J. Charles Michel Deemer, South Bay Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- K. Dan Medina, South Bay Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- L. Don Szerlip, South Bay Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: South Bay Council of Governments Term Ending: June 30, 2021

Westside Central

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

- M. George Taulé, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- N. Elliot Petty, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Second District Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas Term Ending: June 30, 2021
- O. Madeline Brozen, Westside Central Service Council, New Appointment Nominated by: Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Term Ending: June 30, 2020

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P. Martha Eros, Westside Central Service Council, Re-Appointment Nominated by: Westside Central Council of Governments

Term Ending: June 30, 2021

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.

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 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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