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**SYSTEM SAFETY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
JUNE 20, 2013**

SUBJECT: NOMINEES FOR MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

ACTION: APPROVE SERVICE COUNCIL NOMINEES FOR MEMBERSHIP

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the nominees for membership on Metro San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay, and Westside/Central 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

The individuals listed below have been nominated or re-nominated to serve by the Council's appointing authorities. If approved by the Board, these appointments will serve three-year terms ending on June 30, 2016. A brief biography and listing of qualifications for the new appointees is provided along with the nomination letters from the nominating authorities:

- A. Jesus R. Ochoa, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Third District Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
- B. I. Donald Weissman, San Fernando Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa
- C. Antonio Lopez, San Fernando Valley Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: City of San Fernando
- D. Dennis Washburn, San Fernando Valley Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments
- E. Steven Ly, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: City of Rosemead

- F. David Spence, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
- G. James Goodhart, South Bay Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- H. Roye Love, South Bay Cities Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- I. Jack Gabig, South Bay Cities Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- J. Peter Capone-Newton, Westside/Central Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa
- K. Jeffrey M. Jacobberger, Westside/Central Service Council, Re-Appointment
Nominated by: Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa

There are also two additional Service Council vacancies that need to be filled. The term of the vacant seat on the Westside/Central Service Council will expire on June 30, 2014, and the term of a vacant seat on the South Bay Service Council will expire on June 30, 2015. A brief listing of qualifications for the nominees to fill these vacancies is included with the biographical information provided for the new appointee nominations. The individuals listed below have been nominated by each Council's appointing authorities to fill these vacancies for the remainder of the terms:

- L. Patricia L. Hachiya, South Bay Cities Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- M. Stephen Randal Henry, Westside/Central Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa

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.

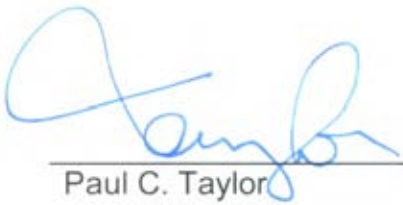
NEXT STEPS

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

- A. New Appointee Biography and Listing of Qualifications
- B. Appointing Authority Nomination Letters

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Chief Executive Officer

METRO SERVICE COUNCIL NEW APPOINTEES BIOGRAPHY AND LISTING OF QUALIFICATIONS

Antonio Lopez, Nominee for San Fernando Valley Service Council



Mayor Antonio Lopez was elected to the San Fernando City Council in 2011. Prior to becoming an elected official, he served as an appointee on the Planning and Preservation Commission from 2008-2011. He was named Chair of the Public Safety, Veteran, Technology, and Transportation Committee in 2011, and served as Mayor Pro Tem in 2012. Mayor Lopez was born in the San Fernando Valley and first arrived to the City of San Fernando in 1976, where he attended public schools, and graduated from Woodbury University in Burbank with a Bachelor of Architecture degree. He also practices architecture and corporate interior architecture, and is a leader in his profession with some of the most prestigious companies in the United States. His work has contributed to award recognition on multiple projects. Mayor Lopez strives to make San Fernando a walkable city and having San Fernando residents be frequent users of public transportation.

Dennis Washburn, Nominee for San Fernando Valley Service Council



Dennis Washburn is a certificated mediator with experience in public sector mediation and negotiations. He holds a UC Berkeley BA in International Relations/Political Science and an MBA in Marketing and Finance from San Diego State University. He is a founder, 5-term Council Member and 4-time Mayor of the City of Calabasas. He is the current Vice President and past President of the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains, a 3-term Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commissioner, a 7-term Regional Councilmember of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), and Former Chair of the SCAG Energy and Environment Policy Committee. He is also a Founder, City of Calabasas Representative, and 3-time President of the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments, and Division Representative to the State Board and Past President of the LA County Division of the League of California Cities. Mr. Washburn is Chairman of the Santa Monica Mountains Fund and a Trustee of the Conejo-Las Virgenes Future Foundation. He chairs the Malibu Creek Watershed Council, and has been recognized as an environmental leader by the Environmental Protection Agency, is a recipient of the National Association of Conservation Districts Goodyear Award for Conservation Achievement, and has served on the NACD Urban, Coastal and Community Committee.

Jack Gabig, Nominee for South Bay Cities Service Council



Jack Gabig holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and a Master's in Community and Regional Planning from the University of Texas at Austin. Mr. Gabig's entire working career has been in the field of public transportation. Mr. Gabig has worked in various transit-related capacities including as a Transportation Planner in Wisconsin, Texas, and Georgia, as Planning and Marketing Director with Long Beach Transit, Director of Transportation for the City of Montebello, and a Sector General Manager for Los Angeles County Metro. Mr. Gabig is serving as the Transportation Director for Gardena Municipal Bus Lines

since 2011.

Patricia L. Hachiya, Nominee for South Bay Cities Service Council



Patricia Hachiya is an AICP Certified Urban Planner with experience in long range planning, housing, municipal land use planning, code enforcement, housing, community outreach, and permitting. Ms. Hachiya holds an M.A. in Urban Planning with a focus on Community Development and a B.S. in Anthropology with a focus on Cultural Anthropology. Ms. Hachiya is currently a Supervising Regional Planner with the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning.

Stephen Randal Henry, Nominee for Westside/Central Service Council



Dr. Stephen Randal Henry is the Program Director of Los Angeles Family AIDS Network, (LAFAN), a Research Coordinator with the Veterans Administration of Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System for the VA's Quality Enhancement Research initiative for HIV/AIDS-Hepatitis, and a Research Scientist with Brentwood Biomedical Research Institute. Dr. Henry has 22 years of community-based public health employment experience, as well as considerable experience in coalition building, stakeholder relations, and strategic planning. Dr. Henry holds a BA in Political Science from Cal Poly Pomona, an MPH in Community Health Science from UCLA, and a DrPH in Health Services from UCLA. Dr. Henry is also a Member of the Advisory Committee for the 2013 Los Angeles Gang Violence Prevention and Intervention Conference.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

May 13, 2013

Jon Hillmer
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
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Dear Mr. Hillmer:

I am writing to request that Mr. Jesus Ochoa be reappointed for another term on the San Fernando Valley Governance Council. Since Mr. Ochoa's term expires in June 30, 2013, I am requesting that his reappointment be confirmed before his term expires.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Zev Yaroslavsky".

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY
Supervisor, Third District

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c: Mr Jesus Ochoa

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April 10, 2013

Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Council
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Attn: Jon Hillmer, Regional service Council Director

Mr. Hillmer:

This letter serves to inform you that Council Member Steven Ly was appointed as the City's representative to the Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Council, at the April 9, 2013, Rosemead City Council Meeting.

Please forward general information and agendas to our representative at the following address:

Appointee Council Member Steven Ly
City of Rosemead
8838 E. Valley Blvd.
Rosemead, CA 91770

Please contact me at 626-569-2171 or gmolleda@cityofrosemead.org if you need additional information. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Gloria Molleda
City Clerk

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA

April 30, 2013

Jon Hillmer
Regional Service Councils Director
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
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Re: Annual Appointments to MTA's Regional Service Councils

Dear Jon:

I am writing to provide our office's nominations for four positions on the MTA Regional Service Councils. I understand that three of our current appointments are scheduled to expire on June 30th of this year: Donald Weissman on the San Fernando Valley Service Council, and both Peter Capone-Newton and Jeff Jacobberger on the Westside/Central Service Council.

My office has spoken with all three members, and all three have expressed an interest to continue to serve on their Regional Service Council. As you noted in your letter dated March 25, 2013, all three have been exceptional council members and have represented their regions well. As such, I would like to reappoint all three members to their respective Service Council.

Additionally, a vacancy was recently created by the departure of Jerard Wright from the Westside/Central Service Council. Jerard was a tireless advocate who served effectively over the past eight years, and we were sad to see him go. However, this opens up an opportunity for another member of the public to become involved in positive service changes at MTA.

My office is still undergoing the interview process for this position, so we are not yet ready to make a final recommendation. This will be completed no later than May 3, 2013, at which point I will notify you of our selection. If this timeline compromises your ability to take the recommendation to the June MTA Board meeting, please contact Nat Gale in my office at nat.gale@pmty.org or 213.978.1531.

Sincerely,


BORIS LEON
Deputy Mayor - Transportation
Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa

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May 24, 2013

The Honorable Michael Antonovich, Chair
& Members of the Board
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Re: Nominations for the Members of the South Bay Service Council

The South Bay Service Council has been extremely successful since its inception. The dedicated people on our council have worked with Metro staff to make changes in service to improve efficiency and coordination of the transit services provided by the Metro in our sector.

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) takes its responsibility to nominate members to the council very seriously and with this letter we are submitting our nominees to fill the four seats - 3 whose terms are expiring and 1 to fill a vacancy. Recommended after receiving the approval of the SBCCOG Board of Directors at the meeting of May 23, 2013 are Jim Goodhart and Roye Love (re-appointments) and Patricia Hachiya, a county planner and transit rider, and Jack Gabig, General Manager of Gardena Bus Lines. These appointments are for 3 years with the exception of Ms. Hachiya who will be filling out the remaining term of the vacancy until July 2015.

We request that you agendize the appointment of these representatives for as soon as possible. Please notify us when the appointments are confirmed or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ralph L. Franklin
SBCCOG Chair
Councilmember, City of Inglewood

cc: Art Leahy, CEO

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