

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

May 28, 2020

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Interview Panel – Christian Horvath, Drew Boyles, Ralph Franklin,
John Cruikshank, Kenneth Kao

RE: Metro South Bay Service Sector Governance Council Nominations

ADHERENCE TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal B: Regional Advocacy. Advocate for the interests of the South Bay.

The SBCCOG opened nominations in February to fill the three-year terms expiring this June for the following members: Inglewood Councilman and Service Council Board Chair Ralph Franklin; Luis Duran and Meighan Langlois, Los Angeles World Airports representative. Additionally, there is a vacancy for another seat whose term expires in 2021 which was held by Dan Medina as an elected official and he is leaving public office.

Nine nominations came in by the deadline of March 20. No incumbents were among them. The new applicants are: Johnny Baeza, Eric Craig, Christian Guzman, Derrick Jung (Lynwood resident, LA City business), Dan Medina (re-applying as a member of the community/transit rider), Sean Mottles, Grace Peng, Glenda Silva-LAWA, Bob Wolfe.

The Steering Committee requested that the nomination deadline be extended to April 23 since an additional nomination was received on April 6 from incumbent Luis Duran. On April 23, 2 additional nominations were received from David Mach, Torrance Transit analyst and Rochelle Mackabee, Watts/Willowbrook.

An interview panel was formed (members identified above) and they conducted interviews on May 8 via zoom. Eight candidates were interviewed.

RECOMMENDATION

The Interview Panel unanimously recommends the following:

- Luis Duran – incumbent – Hawthorne resident
- Glenda Silva representing LAWA
- David Mach – employee of Torrance Transit
- Rochelle Mackabee – rider and senior. Works in Inglewood, lives in Watts/Willowbrook. She will fill the one-year unexpired term.

REMAINING MEMBERS ON THE COUNCIL

- Roye Love
 - Carson resident & senior
 - Member of several community organizations
 - Transit user
- Ernie Crespo
 - Gardena Transit Manager
- Elaine Jeng
 - Rider
 - City Manager of Rolling Hills
- Don Szerlip
 - Redondo Beach businessman
- Charles Michel Deemer
 - Torrance Environmental Commissioner
 - Transit rider