

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

April 23, 2020

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: SBCCOG Steering Committee

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 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.

An additional nomination was received on April 6 from incumbent Luis Duran. All information submitted by the nominees is @ www.southbaycities.org under the April Steering Committee agenda - pages 73-87 of the packet.

Considerations

1. While there can be no more than two elected officials appointed in order to maintain our policy of the elected officials not being a majority of the Board members, no nominations have come from any elected officials. This will be the first time since the inception of the Service Councils (2003) that we will not have an elected official on the Board.
2. We have had a seat for a LAWA representative since 2005.
3. All of the nominees are transit riders.
4. Considering geography, the remaining members represent the following areas:
 - Carson – Love
 - Gardena – Crespo (transit operators rep)
 - Manhattan Beach – Jeng (also Rolling Hills City Manager)
 - Redondo Beach – Szerlip
 - Torrance - Deemer

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

STEERING COMMITTEE ACTION

At the Steering Committee, the members expressed a concern that there were possibly some elected officials who may be interested in serving. Therefore, they asked that the nomination period be re-opened until Thursday, April 23 at 5 pm for one final opportunity to apply. Any additional nominations received will be reported at the meeting.

NEXT STEPS

Nominees have all submitted a statement and/or bio and they will all be invited to participate in a video interview at either the May Steering Committee meeting or before a sub-committee that would meet before the May Steering Committee meeting. Nominees to be recommended to Metro will be recommended by the Steering Committee to the Board of Directors at the May meeting. Their names will then be sent to Metro for approval in June and they will be seated in July.