

## **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

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## OPERATIONS, SAFETY AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE JANUARY 17, 2019

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO GATEWAY CITIES SERVICE COUNCIL

ACTION: APPROVE NOMINATION

#### RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Mr. Danny Hom for membership on Metro's Gateway Cities Service Council.

## **ISSUE**

A member of the Gateway Cities Service Council submitted his resignation effective October 11, 2018. The term of the now-vacant seat is July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021.

#### 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 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 individual listed below has been nominated to serve by the Gateway Cities Service Council's appointing authority. If approved by the Board, this appointment will serve the remainder of the seat's three-year term. A brief listing of qualifications for the new nominee is provided along with the nomination letter from the nominating authority.

## **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. Danny Hom, Gateway Cities Service Council, New Appointment Nominated by: Gateway Cities 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 this nominee 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 - Nominee's Listing of Qualifications

Attachment B - Nomination Letter

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#### ATTACHMENT A

### **NEW APPOINTEE BIOGRAPHY AND QUALIFICATIONS**

# **DANNY HOM Nominee for Gateway Cities Service Council**



Danny Hom is a lifelong resident of Los Angeles County and has lived in the Gateway Cities region for most of that time. He currently resides in Long Beach and works as the Development and Communications Coordinator for GRID Alternatives, a non-profit that works to make renewable energy technology and job training accessible to underserved communities. Prior to working with GRID, he has held multiple positions as a social media strategist and worked communications manager. Mr. Hom holds a Bachelor of Arts in English from UCLA and a certificate in Fundraising from the UCLA Extension.

### APPOINTING AUTHORITY NOMINATION LETTER

Artesia

Avalon

Bell

GATEWAY CITIES

Bellflower Bell Gardens

> Cerritos December 10, 2018

Commerce

Cudahy

Downey

Mr. Phillip A. Washington, CEO Compton

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

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Dear Mr. Washington: Hawaiian Gardens

Huntington Park Nominee for the Metro Gateway Cities Service Council

Industry

Acting in its capacity as the convening coalition of the Metro Gateway Cities Service Council, the Board of Directors of the Gateway Cities Council of La Mirada Governments has nominated one member of the community to fill a seat expiring Lakewood

on June 30, 2021, replacing Richard Burnett.

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Long Beach

At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 5, 2018, the Gateway Cities Council of Governments Board of Directors nominated Mr. Danny Hom, Member Lynwood

of the Community, to fill the seat expiring June 30, 2021. A copy of the nominee's

application is enclosed.

Maywood Montebello

We would appreciate your assistance in agendizing the nomination for confirmation by the MTA Board of Directors at the next regularly scheduled

meeting.

Paramount

Norwalk

Sincerely, Pico Rivera

Santa Fe Springs

Signal Hill

South Gate Nancy Pfeffer

**Executive Director** Vernon

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Port of Long Beach