



Board Report

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**SYSTEMS SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MARCH 15, 2018**

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO SERVICE COUNCILS

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE the nominee for membership on Metro’s San Gabriel Valley Service Council.

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 San Gabriel Valley Service Council currently has one (1) vacancy that needs to be filled due to resignation of a previous Council Member. The individual listed below has been nominated by the Council’s appointing authority to fill this vacancy for the remainder of the term and the subsequent term from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021. If approved by the Board, this appointment will serve the remainder of the existing three-year term ending on June 30, 2018 and the subsequent three year term. A brief listing of qualifications for the new nominee is provided along with the nomination letter from the nominating authority:

The demographic makeup of the San Gabriel Valley Service Council with the appointment of this nominee will consist of four (4) White members, three (3) Hispanic members, and two (2) Asian 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.

- A. Valerie Gibson, San Gabriel Valley Service Council, New Appointment
Nominated by: San Gabriel Valley 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 San Gabriel Valley Service Council, as it would increase the difficulty of obtaining the quorum necessary to allow the Service Council to formulate and submit their recommendations to the Board. It would also result in the Service Council having less diverse representation of their service area.

NEXT STEPS

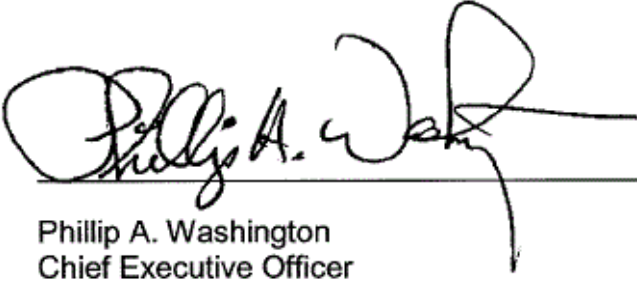
Staff will continue to monitor the major contributors to the quality of bus service from the customer's perspective, and share that information with the Service Councils for use in their work to plan and to implement and improve bus service in their areas and the customer experience using our bus service.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Nominee Listing of Qualifications
Attachment B - Nomination Letter

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Chief Executive Officer

NEW APPOINTEE BIOGRAPHY AND QUALIFICATIONS

VALERIE GIBSON

Nominee for San Gabriel Valley Service Council

Valerie Gibson has worked in transportation planning since 1994, and has held the position of Transit Manager for the City of Pasadena since December 2002. In that role, she oversees locally funded fixed-route transit program, Pasadena Transit, which serves Pasadena and a portion of Altadena, as well as a paratransit service (Dial-A-Ride) that serves Pasadena, Altadena, San Marino, and unincorporated San Gabriel. She is actively involved in interagency coordination, service planning, operations, administration, funding, procurement, and customer service on a day to day basis.

Ms. Gibson also serves as a board member for the California Association for Coordinated Transportation(CalACT), where she works with transit agencies throughout the state that share in the goal of improving service to customers and providing effective community transportation. She recently concluded a two-year seat on the Access Services Board of Directors, representing locally funded transit systems in Los Angeles County.

A resident of Pasadena and a transit user in the San Gabriel Valley for nearly 40 years, Ms. Gibson continues to be a frequent user of public transit. Ms. Gibson holds a Bachelor degree in Urban Studies from Loyola Marymount University and a Master in Urban Planning from UCLA.



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RE: Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Council Representative

Dear Mr. Spivack:

At their February 15, 2018 meeting, the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments' Governing Board appointed Valerie Gibson as the replacement and new representative for the San Gabriel Valley Metro Service Council position. Ms. Gibson will complete the remainder of the July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018 term and will serve during the July 1, 2018-June 30, 2021 term.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (626) 457-1800.

Sincerely,

Marisa Creter
Interim Executive Director
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cc: Valerie Gibson, City of Pasadena Transit Manager