



Memorandum

Date: 03.13.14 **RE:** Plans and Programs Committee
March 18, 2014

To: Plans and Programs Committee: Commissioners Mar (Chair), Kim (Vice Chair), Breed, Campos, Yee and Avalos (Ex Officio)

From: Maria Lombardo – Chief Deputy Director for Policy and Programming *mel*

Through: Tilly Chang – Executive Director *TC*

Subject: **ACTION** – Recommend Appointment of One Member to the Citizens Advisory Committee

Summary

The Transportation Authority has an eleven-member Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). CAC members serve two-year terms. Per the Transportation Authority's Administrative Code, the Plans and Programs Committee recommends and the Transportation Authority Board appoints individuals to fill any CAC vacancies. Neither Transportation Authority staff nor the CAC make any recommendations on CAC appointments, but we maintain an up-to-date database of applications for CAC membership. A chart with information about current CAC members is attached, showing ethnicity, gender, neighborhood of residence, and affiliation. There are two vacancies on the CAC requiring committee action; however, we are recommending that the Plans and Programs Committee consider only one appointment at this meeting. These vacancies result from the term expiration of Robert Switzer, and the recent passing of Joseph Flanagan. **We are seeking a recommendation to appoint one member to the CAC.**

BACKGROUND

There are two vacancies on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) requiring Plans and Programs Committee action; however, we are recommending that the Committee consider only one appointment at this time. These vacancies result from the term expirations of Robert Switzer, who is not seeking reappointment, and the recent passing of Joseph Flanagan. There are currently 15 applicants to consider for the existing vacancies.

DISCUSSION

The CAC is comprised of eleven members. The selection of each member is recommended at-large by the Plans and Programs Committee (Committee) and approved by the Transportation Authority Board. Per Section 6.2(f) of the Transportation Authority's Administrative Code, the eleven-member CAC:

“...shall include representatives from various segments of the community, including public policy organizations, labor, business, senior citizens, the disabled, environmentalists, and the neighborhoods; and reflect broad transportation interests.”

An applicant must be a San Francisco resident to be considered eligible for appointment. Attachment 1 is a tabular summary of the current CAC composition. Attachment 2 provides similar information on current applicants for CAC appointment. Applicants are asked to provide residential location and areas of interest. Applicants provide ethnicity and gender information on a voluntary basis. CAC applications are distributed and accepted on a continuous basis. CAC applications were solicited through the

Transportation Authority's website, public service announcements on SFGovTV, Commissioners' offices, mailings and e-mail blasts to community-based organizations, advocacy groups, business organizations, as well as at public meetings attended by Transportation Authority staff or hosted by the Transportation Authority.

All applicants have been advised that they need to appear in person before the Committee in order to be appointed, unless they have previously appeared before the Committee. An asterisk following the candidate's name in Attachment 2 indicates that the applicant has not previously appeared before the Committee.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Recommend appointment of one member to the CAC.
2. Defer action until additional outreach can be conducted.

CAC POSITION

None. The CAC does not make recommendations on appointment of CAC members.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

None. Staff does not make recommendations on appointment of CAC members.

Attachments:

1. Current CAC members
2. CAC applicants

Enclosure:

1. CAC Applications

Attachment 1
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ¹

Name	Gender	Ethnicity	District	Neighborhood	Affiliation	First Appointed	Term Expiration
Robert Switzer	NP	NP	7	Ingleside Terraces	Neighborhood	Nov 09	Nov 13
Joseph Flanagan, Jr., Vice Chair	M	C	6	Civic Center	Disabled	Mar 11	Feb 15
Angela Minkin	F	C	11	Excelsior	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy	May 12	May 14
Brian Larkin	M	C	1	Richmond	Neighborhood	May 04	Sep 14
Glenn Davis, Chair	NP	NP	8 ²	Mission	Neighborhood	May 09	Dec 14
Jacqueline Sachs	F	C	2	Western Addition	Disabled, Neighborhood	Jun 97	Jul 15
Christopher Waddling	NP	NP	10	Silver Terrace/Bayview	Environmental, Neighborhood	Dec 12	Dec 14
Wells Whitney	NP	NP	3	Telegraph Hill	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen	May 13	May 15
Myla Ablog	F	Filipina	5	Japantown	Environmental, Neighborhood	Sep 13	Sep 15
Eric Rutledge	NP	NP	4	Outer Sunset	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy	Nov 13	Nov 15
Peter Tannen	M	C	8	Inner Mission	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy	Feb 08	Feb 16

A – Asian American AA – African American C – Caucasian H – Hispanic NA – Native American NP – Voluntary Information, Not Provided

¹ Shading denotes open seats on the CAC.

² District was 9 when appointed, revised to 8 as a result of redistricting in 2012.

Attachment 2 (Updated 03.13.14)

APPLICANTS

Name	Ethnicity	Gender	District	Neighborhood	Affiliation/Interest
1 James Autry*	NP	M	8	Diamond Heights	Business, Environmental, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
2 Rachel Frederick*			4	Central Sunset	Business, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy
3 Aaron Goodman			11	Lakeside/ Parkmerced	Disabled, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
4 Tom Hubbard*	C	M	5	Cole Valley	Environment, Neighborhood
5 Michele Jacques	NP	NP	7	Oceanview	Neighborhood, Public Policy
6 John Larson*			7	Miraloma Park	Neighborhood, Public Policy
7 Jessica Lunney	C	F	2	Cow Hollow	Business, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy
8 Mary Newson*	AA	F	8	Haight-Ashbury	Neighborhood, Public Policy
9 Mark Plevin*	NP	NP	2	Pacific Heights	Business, Neighborhood, Public Policy
10 Glenn Rogers			7		Business, Disabled, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Senior Citizen
11 Sunaina Seelam	S. Asian	NP	9	Mission	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy

12	Daniel Sisson	H/C	M	1	Inner Richmond	Neighborhood
13	Diane Smith*	AA	F	10	Bayview- Hunters Point	Disabled, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
14	Howard Strassner*			7		Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
15	Stuart Smith*	C	M	6	Mission Bay	Business, Disabled, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen

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