



# Memorandum

**Date:** 03.12.15 **RE:** Plans and Programs Committee  
March 17, 2015

**To:** Plans and Programs Committee: Commissioners Tang (Chair), Christensen (Vice Chair), Breed, Farrell, Yee and Wiener (Ex Officio)

**From:** Maria Lombardo – Chief Deputy Director *mel*

**Through:** Tilly Chang – Executive Director *TC*

**Subject:** **ACTION** – Recommend Appointment of Two Members 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. The vacancies are the result of the resignation of Angela Minkin due to time constraints associated with her travel schedule and other obligations and the automatic membership termination of Myla Ablog due to four absences over twelve regularly scheduled consecutive meetings, pursuant to the CAC By-Laws. Ms. Ablog is seeking reappointment. Attachment 1 shows current CAC membership and Attachment 2 lists applicants. **We are seeking a recommendation to appoint two members to the CAC.**

## BACKGROUND

There are two vacancies on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) requiring Plans and Programs Committee action. The vacancies are the result of the resignation of Angela Minkin due to time constraints associated with her travel schedule and other obligations and the automatic membership termination of Myla Ablog due to four absences over twelve regularly scheduled consecutive meetings, pursuant to the CAC By-Laws. There are currently 12 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, Commissioners' offices, 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 two members to the CAC.
2. Recommend appointment of one member to the CAC.
3. 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 recommendation on appointment of CAC members.

Attachments (2):

1. Current CAC Members
2. CAC Applicants

Enclosure:

1. CAC Applications

**Attachment 1**

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE <sup>1</sup>**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Neighborhood</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>First Appointed</b>	<b>Term Expiration</b>
Wells Whitney, Vice Chair	NP	NP	3	Telegraph Hill	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen	May 13	May 15
Jacqueline Sachs	F	C	2	Western Addition	Disabled, Neighborhood	Jun 97	Jul 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
John Larson	NP	NP	7	Miraloma Park	Neighborhood, Public Policy	Mar 14	Mar 16
Angela Minkin	F	C	11	Excelsior	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy	May 12	May 16
Raymon Smith	NP	NP	6	NP	Disabled, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen	July 14	July 16
Brian Larkin	NP	NP	1	Richmond	Neighborhood	May 04	Sep 16
Santiago Lerma	M	H	9	Mission	Business, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy	Dec 14	Dec 16
Chris Waddling, Chair	NP	NP	10	Silver Terrace/Bayview	Environmental, Neighborhood	Dec 14	Dec 16

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

<sup>1</sup> Shading denotes open seats on the CAC.

**Attachment 2 (Updated 03.12.15)**

**APPLICANTS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Neighborhood</b>	<b>Affiliation/Interest</b>
1 Myla Ablog	Filipina	F	5	Japantown	Environmental, Neighborhood
2 Soumya Aleti*	East Indian	F	1	Lone Mountain	Business, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
3 Rachel Frederick*	NP	NP	4	Central Sunset	Business, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy
4 Aaron Goodman	NP	NP	11	Lakeside/ Parkmerced	Disabled, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
5 Tom Hubbard*	C	M	5	Cole Valley	Environment, Neighborhood
6 Michele Jacques	NP	NP	7	Oceanview	Neighborhood, Public Policy
7 Johnny Jaramillo*	NA	M	2	Van Ness Corridor	Business, Disabled, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen
8 Jessica Lunney	C	F	2	Cow Hollow	Business, Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy
9 Catherine Orland	C	F	9	Mission	Business, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Public Policy
10 Glenn Rogers	NP	NP	7	NP	Business, Disabled, Environmental, Labor, Neighborhood, Senior Citizen
11 Daniel Sisson	H/C	M	1	Inner Richmond	Neighborhood
12 Howard Strassner	NP	NP	7	NP	Environmental, Neighborhood, Public Policy, Senior Citizen

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