Mayor Rico E. Medina, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee called for a Regular in person meeting of the Committee at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24, 2023, at Carolands Chateau, 565 Remillard Drive, Hillsborough, CA 94010.

AGENDA

1) Roll Call

2) Selection of a nominee currently serving in the capacity as a County Supervisor, Mayor, and/or a Councilmember within the Counties of San Mateo, Santa Cruz, and Monterey to be considered by Anthony Rendon, Speaker of the C.A. State Assembly for an appointment to the California Coastal Commission pursuant to Section 30301.2 of the Public Resources Code, fulfilling the remaining term of former San Mateo County Supervisor Carole Groom through May 20, 2025.
   
   i.  Burlingame Councilmember Peter Stevenson, is seeking nomination
   ii. Half Moon Bay Councilmember Debbie Ruddock, is seeking nomination

3) Selection of a nominee currently serving in the capacity as a Mayor or a Councilmember from the Cities of East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, and Redwood City to be considered by Jesse Arreguin, ABAG President for an appointment to the South Bay Seat on the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (SFBRA), for a term ending March 31, 2025.

4) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve as an Alternate member on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) representing Cities (All Cities are eligible), fulfilling the remaining term of Diana Reddy through 1st Monday in May 2023.

5) Oral Communications and Announcements
   
   i.  Public Comment – Opportunity for the public to address the San Mateo County City Selection Committee.
   ii. Any subject not on the agenda may be presented at this time by members of the City Selection Committee. These topics cannot be acted upon or discussed, but may be agendized for a later meeting date.
January 17, 2023

Supervisor Dave Pine, Chairman
County Government Center
400 County Center, 1st Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

Sukhmani S. Purewal, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County Government Center
400 County Center, 1st Floor
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Dear Chairman Pine and Clerk Purewal:

This letter is to request nominations by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and City Selection Committee for an appointment to the California Coastal Commission pursuant to Section 30301.2 of the Public Resources Code. This provision requires the Assembly Speaker solicit nominations from your respective committees.

Please submit your list of nominees to the address listed below and to the following contact email within 45 days of receipt of this request:

Speaker of the Assembly
Legislative Office Building
1020 N Street, Room 367
Sacramento, CA 95814
Attn: Appointments Unit, Dolores Duran-Flores

If you have any questions concerning the nomination or selection process, please contact Dolores Duran-Flores with the Assembly Appointments Unit at (916) 319-3736 or dolores.duran-flores@asm.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

ANTHONY RENDON
Speaker of the Assembly

AR:ddf
Enclosures
February 10, 2023

To all,

I respectively submit my letter of interest to be appointed to the Central Coast Region of the California Coastal Commission.

I’ve been a resident of San Mateo County for more than 30 years and have lived in the Bay Area all my life. I also studied environmental sciences in College at UCLA and have been a life-long advocate and volunteer for environmental causes. With continued development pressures along the coast, I believe it is vital to preserve, protect, and where possible, restore the coastal ecosystem and ensure access and enjoyment for current and future generations.

I appreciate your consideration of my candidacy to join the California Coastal Commission, representing the Central Coast Region and the County of San Mateo.

Respectfully,

/s/

Peter Stevenson
Councilmember, Burlingame City Council
February 8, 2023

The Honorable Dave Pine, President
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RE: Nomination for Appointment to the California Coastal Commission

Dear President Pine, Clerk Purewal, and Honorable Board Members:

I am writing to express my strong interest in being nominated for and serving on the California Coastal Commission representing the Central Coast Region.

It is with a sincere call to duty that I offer my lengthy experience protecting and enhancing our local coastal zone. My skill set is deep and includes science-based proficiencies in addressing key coastal environmental issues. Over many years, I’ve developed what has evolved into a long-held reputation for effective intergovernmental relations, genuine public engagement, and harmonizing the interests of the treasures of coastal California.

You’ll find that I’m a unique candidate, having devoted my professional, political, and personal life to matters aligned with the California Coastal Act. I served for three years as an alternate commissioner on the California Coastal Commission, representing the Central Coast region. Through that and other experience, I have a practical understanding the intricacies of leveraging outside sources of funding, including federal; collaborating with federal and local agencies and nonprofit organizations; and building a knowledge base and familiarity with state and federal permitting procedures and scientific models.

I’m a champion of the "twin pillars" of the Coastal Act: protecting coastal resources and maximizing coastal access. I believe it’s important to recognize that coastal resources, including beaches and special habitat areas, also include agriculture and encompass the needs of coastal farmworkers. In that light, I’m a great admirer of the Coastal Commission’s environmental justice policy adopted in 2019, and it would be an honor to participate on a Commission that has made this important commitment to the Coastal Zone from such a holistic perspective.

Throughout my professional life, I have been a collaborator focused on providing coastal access and protecting coastal resources. For over 20 years I worked for the State Coastal Conservancy as a project developer, grants manager, and legislative liaison, which has brought me significant appreciation and understanding of best practices and innovations for
adaptation projects that support resilient and sensitive solutions for each situation. I also provided staff support to the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority.

As a long-time City of Half Moon Bay councilmember, including multiple terms as mayor, I have upheld a leadership role in forging Half Moon Bay’s record and solid reputation as a coastal community which takes practical, positive, forward-looking actions toward coastal protection, including pragmatically facing the threat of sea level rise. These achievements point to my unwavering dedication to advancing coastal protection and enhancement, a commitment to fostering the necessary regulatory tools to accomplish the Commission’s goals, and a profound belief in public participation and engagement as a crucial element of the Commission’s mission. As part of my council duties I also serve as a director and secretary-treasurer of the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside.

In my roles with Half Moon Bay, I have worked diligently and successfully in collaboration with regulatory agencies, other jurisdictions, funding partners, and the public during our land use plan and zoning updates, and in implementing climate change-resilient projects. This has included involvement in preparing an extensive sea level rise vulnerability assessment, completing a detailed erosion engineering study focused on at-risk bluff areas, and participating in numerous related public workshops.

And in my capacity with Half Moon Bay, for the last three years it’s been my honor to serve on the Board of Directors of OneShoreline, the City/County Association of Government’s Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency Agency. I currently serve as OneShoreline Vice-Chair and am a member of the legislation and strategic planning subcommittees. I also am a member of the Resource Management and Climate Protection and Bike and Pedestrian committees of C/CAG.

All of this experience has helped me to serve not only the people of Half Moon Bay, but also those of the County and the entire central Coastside, as we work together to safeguard and enrich the precious California coast. I have great respect for the Coastal Commission and its staff, its integrity, and its impeccable reputation. It would be my privilege to assist in carrying out its increasingly-crucial mission.

I’ve amply demonstrated that I have the insight and expertise to be a tremendously effective voice on the Coastal Commission, and I thank you in advance for your consideration. Please contact me at druddock@hmcity.com or 650-533-7497 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Debbie Ruddock
Councilmember, City of Half Moon Bay

cc: San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
    Half Moon Bay City Council
    Matthew Chidester, Half Moon Bay City Manager
Notice of Vacancy on the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

The South Bay seat on the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration is vacant and will be filled following an application process, as described below.

The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority is a regional government entity created in 2008 with jurisdiction extending throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. Its mission is to raise and allocate funds for the restoration, enhancement, protection and enjoyment of wetlands and wildlife in the San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline. In June of 2016, Bay Area voters approved a regional parcel tax expected to generate $25 million per year for 20 years for this purpose. More information about the Restoration Authority is available at http://sfbayrestore.org/.

The Governing Board of the Restoration Authority consists of seven members appointed by the Association of Bay Area Governments. The open seat is available to an elected official from a bayside city or county in the South Bay. The South Bay consists of Santa Clara County, the portion of Alameda County that is south of the southern boundary of the City of Hayward, and the portion of San Mateo County that is south of the northern boundary of Redwood City.

ABAG is interested in appointing someone who:

- Has a demonstrated interest in the restoration and conservation of San Francisco Bay;
- Is willing to make funding decisions that are in the best interest of the Bay Area region as a whole;
- Will work collegially with elected officials from outside their own jurisdiction; and
- Has the time and interest to be an active member of the Governing Board and who can regularly attend board meetings as well as take on occasional tasks requiring work between board meetings.
Term

Appointment will be for the term beginning upon appointment and ending March 31, 2025.

Application

The city selection committee in Alameda County (Alameda County Mayors Conference), Santa Clara County (Cities Association of Santa Clara County), and San Mateo County (City Selection Committee of San Mateo County), and the Boards of Supervisors in Alameda County, Santa Clara County, and San Mateo County nominate elected officials from eligible jurisdictions in the South Bay.

Letter of nomination to include a letter of interest from the nominee which includes a statement about the nominee’s interest in serving on the Governing Board, a description of their experience with wetlands restoration, and their experience working at a regional level or other related collaborative efforts.

Letter of nomination along with the nominee’s letter of interest to be mailed to ABAG President Jesse Arreguin, Association of Bay Area Governments, 375 Beale Street, Suite 700, San Francisco, California 94105.

The letter of nomination and nominee’s letter of interest to be emailed as an attachment to Fred Castro, Clerk of the Board, fcastro@bayareametro.gov

Following a review of letters of nominations and letters of interests, individuals may be invited to interview with a selection panel and/or the ABAG President.

The appointment of the ABAG President will be ratified by the ABAG Executive Board.

Please submit letters of nomination along with letters of interest by February 28, 2023.

For information, contact Karen McDowell, San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority/San Francisco Estuary Partnership at karen.mcdowell@sfestuary.org.