TO: MAYORS OF SAN MATEO COUNTY  
FROM: SUKHMANI S. PUREWAL, SECRETARY  
SUBJECT: REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

Mayor Rico E. Medina, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee called for a Regular in person meeting of the Committee at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 2023, at Colma Fire House – 50 Reiner Street Colma, CA 94014.

AGENDA

1) Roll Call

2) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) representing Cities (All Cities are eligible), for a term of two (2) years beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.
   i. Belmont Vice Mayor Davina Hurt, is seeking reappointment

3) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve as a regular member on the Domestic Violence Council (DVC) representing Cities (All Cities are eligible), for a term of three (3) years beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.
   i. East Palo Alto Councilmember Ruben Abrica, is seeking reappointment

4) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve as an Alternate on the Domestic Violence Council (DVC) representing Cities (All Cities are eligible), for a term of three (3) years beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

5) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) representing Cities (All Cities are eligible), for a term of two (2) years beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.
   i. Burlingame Councilmember Emily Beach, is seeking reappointment

6) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) representing Northern Cities (Eligible Cities: Brisbane, Colma, Daly City, Pacifica, San Bruno, and South San Francisco) for a term of two (2) years beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.
   i. South San Francisco Vice Mayor Mark Nagales, is seeking reappointment
7) Election of a Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2024  
(Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)

   i.   San Bruno Mayor Rico E. Medina, is seeking reappointment

8) Election of a Vice Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2024  
(Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)

   i.   South San Francisco Councilmember Eddie Flores, is seeking reappointment

9) 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.
November 30, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairperson, Mayors, and City Council Members of San Mateo County,

I am writing to respectfully request your support to continue serving as the representative of the 20 cities and towns of San Mateo County on the board of directors for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and, in turn, the air quality regulatory body for the state- California Air Resources Board (CARB.)

BAAQMD aims to create a healthy breathing environment for every Bay Area resident while protecting and improving public health, air quality, and the global climate. During my 4 years at the Air District, I served in pivotal roles, which has positioned me to effectively advocate for our communities at the regional and state levels. Highlights are serving as vice chair and secretary of the board, whereby I oversaw and managed with Chair John Bauters of Emeryville -

- the hiring of a new Executive Director/APCO,
- a board-initiated management audit,
- an overhaul of the administrative code, 
- adoption of policies aligning human resources best practices, 
- initiation of a new strategic planning session, 
- board labor contracts and critical litigation, 
- along with the integral role in the creation of the first Community Advisory Council of the Board.

In our efforts to reimagine community engagement, I served as chair of the first Community Health Equity and Justice Committee of the board that focuses its time and attention on making sure all communities have a public pathway to being heard, especially those most impacted by stationary and mobile sources in our communities. Additionally, I am honored and humbled to be nominated this month and poised to be voted in as the next Board Chair for a two-year term in line with reappointment.

In conjunction with BAAQMD representation, I was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom and confirmed in a Senate confirmation Q&A hearing to represent the (9) counties of the Bay Area at CARB till 2026. As a board member of the CARB, I am one of only a few board members appointed from locally elected positions that bring the direct voice of cities, towns, and counties to the important work of CARB. Since my appointment, I have hit the ground running by forging new relationships for the county, bolstering existing ones, and making policy decisions to implement funding from the California State Budget as well as a range of programmatic funds derived from fees and penalties that will shape how well our communities transition to a green economy and attain carbon neutrality. I have attached a list of additional meetings I
have taken outside of the Air District meetings to unite businesses and non-profit organizations to San Mateo County and the Bay Area. These are our future problem solvers working on unique opportunities to positively address our air quality problems.

Throughout my tenure on the BAAQMD board, I have made a great effort to learn about the regulatory and programmatic efforts of the district – which are many. The work of the district is critically important to protecting and improving public health and meeting the challenges of decarbonization to mitigate the worst outcomes of climate change. As we look to the future, I will remain an advocate for meaningful regulation, transparency, and accountability. I am passionately committed to ensuring programs such as the Community Air Protection Program (CAPP), Clean Cars for All Program, the Clean Air Filtration Program, and the Spare the Air service continue to provide tangible and equitable benefits to our cities and all district residents. I will continue to ensure traditionally underrepresented and under-resourced communities benefit greatly from district investments and regulatory policy to improve air quality and health outcomes. I am committed to continuing to fulfill BAAQMD’s critical mission with a focused eye on permitting and enforcement, while taking a progressive approach to regulate air pollution by internal and external systems. After attending COP26 and COP27 as a California delegate, it is clear to me that at every level of community and government, we have critical work to combat climate change and clean our air quality. Knowing how imperative it is that we create a strategic plan to ensure we meet the ambitious goals for our state and globe, I am on the subcommittee for strategic planning for BAAQMD and will continue to monitor closely our implementation working groups of our various regulatory actions. Lastly, I will continue the great tradition of collaborative leadership that has been a hallmark of this county and persist in forming private and public partnerships to further our shared goals.

Leadership means listening, learning, and acting; this is what we do in San Mateo County to make positive changes. It has been my honor representing and advocating for San Mateo County Cities on the BAAQMD. I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving with your trust and working hard for the needs of our diverse communities as a San Mateo County Cities’ representative, Vice Chair for BAAQMD, and board member for CARB.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Davina Hurt  
City of Belmont Vice Mayor/Former Mayor  
Vice Chair, Bay Area Air Quality Management District of San Mateo County Cities  
Board member, California Air Resources Board

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1 October 2021-June 2023 Meetings of Vice Chair Davina Hurt of CARB as BAAQMD Representative (Pages 3-10)
CARB Quarterly Reports for Bay Area Air District Board of Directors

Since Appointment October 2021-June 2023 Meetings of Vice Chair Davina Hurt of BAAQMD

1. October – December 2021:
2. January – March 2022:
3. April – June 2022:
4. July – September 2022:
5. October – December 2022:
6. January – June 2023:
To: Members of the Board of Directors  
From: Davina Hurt, Board Member, California Air Resources Board  
Date: February 16, 2022  
Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from November 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021:

**October Activities**

12\textsuperscript{th} Portside CERP Briefing  
14\textsuperscript{th} CAPP Sub-Quorum  
21\textsuperscript{st} Meeting w/ SCPPA re: Advanced Clean Fleets  
22\textsuperscript{nd} October Staff Briefing  
26\textsuperscript{th} Meeting w/ SJVAPCD re: SJV Attainment Issues  
27\textsuperscript{th} Meeting w/ Andy Giuliano re: Commercial Harbor Craft  
28\textsuperscript{th} October Board Meeting

**November Activities**

4\textsuperscript{th} CAB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting  
12\textsuperscript{th} November Staff Briefing  
18\textsuperscript{th} SoCal HQ Dedication and Air Talks  
19\textsuperscript{th} November Board Meeting

**December Activities**

3\textsuperscript{rd} December Staff Briefing  
9\textsuperscript{th} December Board Meeting  
14\textsuperscript{th} Meeting w/ CARB Staff re: LCFS Petition  
16\textsuperscript{th} Meeting w/ Milk Producer’s Council re: Methane and LCFS  
20\textsuperscript{th} Meeting w/ CA Forest Carbon Coalition re: Scoping Plan

Attachments: Public Agendas
To: Members of the Board of Directors  
From: Davina Hurt, Member, California Air Resources Board  
Date: June 29, 2022  
Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from January 1, 2022, through March 31, 2022:

**January Activities**
13th Meeting w/ So Cal Public Power Auth. re: ACF  
21st January Staff Briefing and Cap-and-Trade Briefing  
24th Meeting w/ ACWA re: ACF  
27th January Board Meeting

**February Activities**
2nd Meeting w/ CalEPC re: ACC II and ACF  
7th Meeting w/ ACC II Coalition re: ACC II  
10th AB 617 Community Selections Meeting  
11th Meeting w/ CARB Staff re: Refinery Conversions  
14th Meeting w/ CNGVC re: ACC II  
15th Meeting w/ CARB Staff re: ACC II  
16th Meeting w/ Auto Alliance re: ACC II  
22nd February Staff Briefing  
24th February Board Meeting

**March Activities**
2nd Meeting w/ EHC re: EJAC Joint Meeting  
4th EJAC Joint Meeting Briefing  
Meeting w/ CTA re: ACF  
21st Meeting w/ Earth Justice re: CHC  
22nd Meeting w/ Ship Manufacturer’s Assoc. re: CHC  
24th March Board Meeting

Attachments: Public Agendas
To: Members of the Board of Directors  
From: Davina Hurt, Member, California Air Resources Board  
Date: August 4, 2022  
Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from April 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022:

**April Activities**

1st  AB 617 Consultation Group Meeting  
4th  CARB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting Briefing  
6th  CHC Briefing w/ Staff  
7th  CARB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting  
8th  IPAG Sub-Quorum Meeting  
12th  Meeting w/ Anegoria Fuels re: LCFS  
12th  Meeting w/ EarthJustice re: CHC  
19th  April Staff Briefing  
25th  Meeting w/ Cummins re: ACF  
26th  Meeting w/ Subaru re: EVSE  
28th  April Board Meeting  
29th  Meet and Greet w/ ZF North America

**May Activities**

2nd  OCAP Sub-Quorum on Stationary Sources  
3rd  Meeting w/ Resource Recovery Coalition re: Scoping Plan  
9th  Scoping Plan Briefing  
11th  AB 617 Consultation Group Agenda Setting Meeting  
13th  IPAG Pre-Meeting  
31st  Meeting w/ NESCAUM re: ACC II  
31st  Meeting w/ GM re: ACC II

**June Activities**

6th  ACC II Staff Briefing  
6th  Meeting w/ CalETC re: ACC II  
8th  Meeting w/ Lucid Air re: ACC II  
9th  ACC II Board Meeting  
10th  Scoping Plan Briefing  
14th  Meeting w/ Regenerate California re: Scoping Plan  
21st  Meeting w/ WSPA re: Scoping Plan  
23rd  June Board Meeting  
24th  June Board Meeting  
30th  IPAG Public Meeting
To: Members of the Board of Directors, BAAQMD
From: Davina Hurt, Member, California Air Resources Board
Date: November 29, 2022
Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from July 1, 2022, through September 30, 2022:

**July Activities**

18th Meeting w/ Valley Clean Air re: SJV SIP
19th Meeting w/ Ford re: Battery Durability
Meeting w/ American Lung Assoc. re: Various CARB Items
22nd AB 617 Consultation Group Meeting
28th Meeting w/ Consumer Reports re: ACC II
Meeting w/ CVEC re: ACC II
AB 617 Community Listening Session

**August Activities**

9th AB 617 Community Listening Session
12th Meeting w/ Oberon Fuels re: Meet-and-Greet
Meeting w/ ACC II Coalition re: ACC II
Meeting w/ Dr. Cullenward (Stanford) re: Scoping Plan
15th Meeting w/ Auto Alliance re: ACC II
16th Meeting w/ Natl. Fed. On Small Business re: Scoping Plan
Meeting w/ SierraClub/Earth Justice re: Scoping Plan
August Staff Briefing
18th Meeting w/ Dr. Penibas (Livermore Lab) re: CCS
22nd Meeting w/ SEMA re: ACC II
25th August Board Meeting
29th CARB/EJAC Staff Briefing

**September Activities**

1st CARB/EJAC Joint Meeting
7th AB 617 Consultation Group Meeting
9th Meeting w/ CalETC re: ACF/Funding Plan
12th Meeting w/ CVAQ re: SJV Ozone SIP
14th September Staff Briefing
19th Meeting w/ Pacific Environment re: Scoping Plan
Meeting w/ ALA/CCA re: Various CARB Items
The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from October 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022:

**October Activities**
- 5th: October CERP Briefing
- 6th: CARB DaRE Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month
- 11th: Meeting w/ UCS at al. re: ACF
  - Meeting w/ Better World Group re: ACC II
  - Meeting w/ CA Steel re: Scoping Plan
- 12th: IPAG 3rd Meeting
- 13th: Meeting w/ CNVC re: ACF
- 21st: October CERP Meeting
- 21st: October Staff Briefing
- 24th: Meeting w/ Regenerate CA re: Scoping Plan
  - Meeting w/ ACWA re: ACF
  - Meeting w/ Republic Services re: ACF
- 25th: Meeting w/ CalStart re: ACF
  - Meeting w/ BlueGreen Alliance re: ACF
- 26th: Tour of SFF Scavengers re: ACF
  - Meeting w/ US Hybrid re: ACF
- 27th: October Board Meeting
- 31st: CARB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting Briefing
  - Meeting w/ John Putnam, Gen. Counsel, USTA

**November Activities**
- 1st: Seamless Bay Area re: Joint Meeting
- 2nd: AB 617 Consultation Group Meeting
- 3rd: CARB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting
- 8th: Meeting w/ CVAQ re: SJV PM2.5 Plan
  - EJAC ad hoc Governance Workgroup
  - November Staff Briefing
- 16th: Meeting w/ CCA and ALA re: Funding Plan, In-Use Off-Road, and Locomotives
  - Meeting w/ CTA re: Locomotives
- 17th: November Board Meeting

**December Activities**
- 1st: Ceres Climate Summit
- 5th: Meeting w/ CEJA re: Scoping Plan
  - Meeting w/ CVAQ re: Scoping Plan
  - EJAC Ad Hoc Governance Workgroup Meeting
- 8th: AB 617 Consultation Group
- 12th: December Staff Briefing
- 13th: Research Screening Committee
- 15th: December Board Meeting
- 16th: December Board Meeting

Attachments: Public Agendas
To: Members of the Board of Directors, BAAQMD
From: Davina Hurt, Member, California Air Resources Board
Date: August 2, 2023
Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from January 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023:

**January Activities**

11th Meeting w/ Union of Concerned Scientists re: ACF
19th January Staff Briefing
   Meeting w/ Metal Finishers Assoc. re: Hox Chrome
24th CARB Ad Hoc Governance Workgroup Meeting
26th January Board Meeting
27th January Board Meeting (day 2)

**February Activities**

2nd Bay Area Toxics Tour
3rd Phillips 66 Refinery Tour
8th Mayors’ Transatlantic Panel Discussion on a Just Transition to Net-Zero Economies
16th ACF Sub-Quorum
   February Staff Briefing
   Meeting w/ CNGVC re: ACF
21st Meeting w/ BiorfuelsWatch
   Meeting w/ MenloSpark
23rd February Board Meeting
28th Meeting w/ City of Roseville re: ACF

**March Activities**

7th Meeting w/ Enterprise re: ACF
8th AB 617 Consultation Group Meeting
16th March Staff Briefing
23rd March Board Meeting
27th CARB/CTC/HCD Joint Meeting Briefing

Attachments: Public Agendas
To: Members of the Board of Directors, BAAQMD

From: Davina Kurt, Member, California Air Resources Board

Date: November 9, 2013

Subject: Quarterly Report of My Activities as an Air Resources Board Member

The list below summarizes my activities as a California Air Resources Board member from July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2023:

**July Activities**

- 14th Meeting w/ Volvo Construction
- 20th Meeting w/ LCIA re: LCFS
- 24th Consultation Group Check-in With Chairs
- 26th Consultation Group Meeting
- 27th CARB Racial Equity Training
- 31st Atmosphere Awards

**August Activities**

- 14th Meeting w/ Rondo re: LCFS
- Meeting w/ Earthjustice re: LCFS
- Meeting w/ WPQA re: ZF Forklifts
- 15th Presentation on CARB Advance Clean Fleets Regulation and How Local Agencies Are Addressing These New Requirements
- 23rd Meeting w/ RIN Coalition re: LCFS
- 30th Meeting w/ CalETC re: LCFS
- 31st Consultation Group De-Brief

**September Activities**

- 11th Meeting w/ Clean Energy Fuels re: LCFS
- 17th Meeting w/ EJ Coalition re: LCFS
  - Joint Meeting Briefing
  - Meeting w/ CA-RTA
- 14th CARB/EJAC Joint Meeting
- 15th Meeting w/ NRDC re: LCFS
- 19th September Staff Briefing
  - Meeting w/ Low-Carbon Fuel Coalition
- 21st Blueprint 2.0 Sub-Quorum
- 25th Tour of Martinez CA Renewable Fuels Facility
- 27th Meeting w/ District Staff
- 28th September Board Meeting

Attachments: Public Agendas
November 30, 2023

To: San Mateo County Council of Cities City Selection Committee

From: Ruben Abrica, Councilmember, City of East Palo Alto

Re: Application for reappointment to the Domestic Violence Council (DVC)

Ms. Sukhmani Purewal, Secretary to Selection Committee,

I am submitting this letter requesting reappointment to the Domestic Violence Council (DCV).

As the Regular Member, along with the Alternate Member, Councilmember Christine Krolik, I have attended almost all meetings of the DVC and actively participated in moving forward and expanding the work of the Council. We have brought the perspectives of City Government to strengthen the partnerships with various county agencies and Community organizations, to better serve those affected by domestic violence.

I did speak with Councilmember Krolik to see if she would be interested in moving from Alternate to Regular member. She indicated not at this time.

So, I respectfully ask for your consideration to be reappointed for a new 3- year term.

[Signature]

Ruben Abrica
Councilmember
City of East Palo Alto
Dear Colleagues,

I would be honored to earn your vote as I seek reappointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) Board of Directors representing Peninsula Cities-at-Large. Serving on the TA has been a top highlight of my public service, and I’m grateful for the opportunity you have entrusted me with during the past seven years. I am passionate about improving our county’s mobility with cost-effective, equitable, and innovative solutions. Transparency, fiscal responsibility, and sustainability are core values that guide my work on the TA.

I am currently the longest-serving member of the SMCTA Board, which enables me to provide important context and institutional memory for our team. I want to continue serving on the SMCTA Board so I can help navigate complex policy issues during the year ahead. These include:

- Overseeing the environmental review and preferred project alternative selection for the US 101 Express Lanes north of 380 to San Francisco County. This is a controversial project that requires thoughtful deliberation and experienced leadership.
- Creating the first expenditure plan for the U.S.101 Express Lanes toll revenue. I will help ensure this expenditure plan is grounded in mode-shift, equity, and sustainability.
- Launching and evaluating the effectiveness of the Express Lanes new-and-improved $200 annual community transportation benefit (equity) program “Version 2.0.”
- Developing a responsible exit strategy for the TA’s $100M loan to the Express Lanes JPA. As a founding finance committee member, I am uniquely poised to help.
- Beginning the next SMCTA five-year Strategic Plan update, which will likely include strategies for renewing our voter-approved Measure A half-cent transportation sales tax.
- Developing and approving the first Countywide Automated Vehicles Strategic Plan in partnership with C/CAG.
- Administering SMCTA’s upcoming (and historically largest) Bicycle and Pedestrian call for projects and grants.

I take my role as your Cities-at-Large Representative seriously, and I always cast my vote with the long-term best interests of San Mateo County constituents in mind. I’ve worked hard to earn your trust by actively listening and seeking your perspectives, touring your communities, preparing diligently for meetings and policy discussions, and working to spread Measure A & W grant dollars fairly throughout the county. You can count on me to be vigilant about our fiduciary responsibility to the taxpayers of San Mateo County.

Register online with the City of Burlingame to receive regular City updates at www.burlingame.org/enews.
**Attendance, Engagement, & Continuity**

I am honored to serve with such a collaborative and dedicated team of elected leaders and staff members at SMCTA. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving on the Board, as demonstrated by my high level of engagement and 98% attendance record. In seven years, I’ve only missed two meetings (one for a family emergency, and one for international travel before Zoom options existed!) I volunteer on TA subcommittees, attend community outreach meetings about TA projects throughout the County to hear first-hand input from constituents, and occasional Community Advisory Committee meetings about controversial issues. It’s also been my honor to serve as one of three TA representatives on the San Mateo County U.S. 101 Express Lane JPA Board of Directors from its inception. Currently, Hon. Alicia Aguirre and I are the only two founding Board Members still serving on the JPA.

**SMCTA Board Accomplishments**

During the past two years, SMCTA enjoyed celebrating ground-breaking and ribbon cutting events with you and your communities for projects our grants sponsored. In addition to those highly visible accomplishments, I want to take this opportunity to spotlight other important policy work happening behind the scenes at SMCTA and the Express Lanes JPA during my current term of service:

- Funded and constructed the U.S. 101 Express Lanes project on-time and under budget. Launched operations with forward-thinking, equitable, and sustainable policies.

- Launched the first pre-funded Express Lane Equity Program in the U.S. enabled by SMCTA’s outstanding credit rating and innovative financing strategy. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) and nationwide industry groups use our program as a national best-practices model.

- Funded free $100 Clipper Cards or FasTrak transponders to more than 3,000 low-income community members distributed by Samaritan House. 75% of participants chose the Clipper Card which reduced automobiles on our roadways and helped increase ridership for our struggling transit agencies. This is an important reminder to all of us policy makers that most lower-income people are transit-dependent and do not drive cars.

- Delivered fiscally healthy and socially responsible toll-lane policies that reward all 3-person carpools with free rides, eliminate barriers to entry for low-income drivers who need to access the lanes in an emergency, and charge SOV choice-riders market rates. Despite a decline in commute traffic post-pandemic, revenues from choice-riders cover operational costs, loan payments, and produce additional net revenue for re-investment in JPA priorities. If we continue this responsible trajectory, the JPA is on-track to pay off SMCTA's loan ahead of schedule.

- Implemented the TA’s five-year Strategic Plan which incorporated Measure W funds and core principals into our new scoring criteria. This yielded projects that prioritized equity and sustainability more than ever before. TA staff and consultants offered historical levels of technical assistance to cities (even required some grantees to revise projects accordingly) to ensure TA-funded projects achieve sustainable goals, not just Level of Service/traffic throughput.

- Co-sponsored and launched the County’s first autonomous vehicle strategic plan efforts with C/CAG.

**Personal Commitment**

Transportation policy is where I’ve chosen to focus significant time and attention. I believe thoughtful investment in transit improves our community’s quality of life and helps address housing and environmental challenges. My service on other regional transportation bodies helps broaden my perspective as a TA decision-maker. I serve as Vice Chair of Commute.org Board of Directors, a
member of Caltrain’s Modernization Local Policy Makers Group (including 7 years as Vice-Chair) and as a member of the County Office of Education’s Safe Routes to Schools Advisory Committee. In the past, I served for seven years as a member of C/CAG’s Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee (CMEQ), plus seven years as a member of C/CAG’s Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Back in 2020, I was appointed to the Federal Transportation and Infrastructure Advocacy Committee with the National League of Cities. I used that platform to advocate on behalf of our region for additional commuter rail funding for Caltrain (the electrification project, service improvements, and safety improvements like grade separations) plus robust bicycle and pedestrian grants for cities. I do my best to stitch together learnings from these committees to add value, insight, and context in our work together. Mobility solutions are also important to me personally. Literally every day, my family depends on Caltrain, SamTrans, the Dumbarton Express Bus line, BART, Commute.org shuttles, bicycles, and pedestrian infrastructure to get us where we need to go.

With your support, I will continue to steward Measure A and Measure W funds to improve our quality of life here in San Mateo County. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to seeing you on December 15th in Colma!

Respectfully,

Emily Beach
Councilmember
City of Burlingame
(415) 377-8125 (mobile)
November 27, 2023

OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

City Selection Committee
C/o Sukhmani Purewal
Secretary of City Selection Committee/Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

RE: Re-appointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) - Northern Jurisdiction Seat

Dear Honorable Mayors and Councilmembers,

I seek your support for my re-appointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) for the Northern Jurisdiction of San Mateo County. We must continue to have strong representation on the TA to ensure that we have an impactful voice in the direction of transportation in the Bay Area.

It has been my honor to serve on the TA for the last couple of years. During my tenure, the TA has made tremendous progress on several key projects. We have made progress in the construction of managed lanes along Highway 101 to reduce the use of single-occupancy vehicles, pushed forward South San Francisco’s CalTrain station to completion, and funded grade separation projects to improve pedestrian safety and relieve local traffic in our communities. Whether it’s increasing CalTrain service, building grade separations for CalTrain tracks, expanding Ferry service, envisioning a more robust bicycle and pedestrian network, or exploring new alternative modes of transportation, there are many opportunities ahead for San Mateo County to create a vital transportation network that serves us now and well into the future.

As one of the first Filipino Americans elected to the South San Francisco City Council, I understand how important it is to have a seat at the table. I have advocated for the TA to expand its approaches to addressing equity and inclusion, to ensure that more residents can benefit from the improvements we’re making and enjoy a better quality of life. While the pandemic has greatly impacted ridership on public transportation, it’s imperative that we plan for our economic recovery and the growing demand for transit as more people return to work post-COVID. In the long term, public transportation and other alternative modes of transportation must continue to be part of the solution to mitigate traffic gridlock and its impact on the environment.

While I am running for the Northern district seat, I believe strongly in taking a regional approach to our County’s transportation challenges. I recognize that there’s no one-size-fits-all approach and that every city has its own needs. In seeking this re-appointment, I will be a representative for all cities in San Mateo County to voice your concerns, questions, and priorities to the entire TA Board. My door will always be open to anyone to share their conversations and ideas.
I will continue to look out for the best interests of San Mateo County. I will leverage my experience and connections on the local, State, and Federal levels to strengthen the County’s transportation and infrastructure. I pledge to be a regional leader and a strong advocate for you while bringing people together to find sensible solutions. I humbly ask for your support.

Thank you for your consideration.

All the best,

Mark Nagales
Vice Mayor
City of South San Francisco
November 21, 2023

Re: Council of Cities and Selection Committee 2024

To The Honorable Mayors and City Council Members in San Mateo County,

This letter is to express my interest in applying for Chair of the Council of Cities and Selection Committee for 2024.

As you are aware, I currently serve as the Chair and am asking for your support and vote to continue in this capacity for next year.

With our addition of a regional meeting in January and the other venues throughout the year, we learn, exchange ideas, and build camaraderie which are valuable and rewarding.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please feel free to email me at rmedina@sanbruno.ca.gov or give me a call.

Respectfully,

Rico E. Medina
Mayor
November 28, 2023

City Selection Committee
Clo Sukhmani Purewal
Secretary of City Selection Committee/Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Via email: spurewal@smcgov.org

RE: Letter of Interest – City Selection Committee Vice Chairperson 2024

Dear Honorable Mayors and Councilmembers,

I am writing to express my interest and seek your support to continue my role as Vice Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2024. Our regional body representatives are essential to ensuring the best investments possible to improve the lives of all residents in San Mateo County, and I welcome this opportunity to help lead active and thoughtful dialogue amongst our local elected leaders to ensure our communities remain well represented in each of our regional bodies.

I am the first Salvadoran to serve on a City Council in the history of San Mateo County and only the second elected Latinx member in the history of the South San Francisco City Council. Prior to that, I was only the second Latinx member in the history of the South San Francisco Unified School District Board. Experiences like these have highlighted the value of representation and having a seat at the table, as well as the importance of effective communication, positive relationship building, and managing efficient and productive meetings.

I look forward to continuing to partner with you all and continue to make this Council and Selection Committee a productive and fun monthly convening and a safe space for sharing and brainstorming as we have done this year. My dedication to serve you all is enhanced by my experience serving currently in the role and regionally, serving as Vice President of the Peninsula Division of the California League of Cities, and on the Executive Board of the Latino Caucus of the California League of Cities, representing Northern California. In addition, I work with many of you in representing South San Francisco on the Commute.Org Board of Directors; Caltrain Electric Modernization Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG); and the San Mateo Emergency Services Council, amongst others. My experience in serving my community and winning the trust of the voters is evidenced by my successful city council run in 2022 with a massive majority of the electorate, representing District 5 in South San Francisco and incoming Vice Mayor in 2024.

In seeking this re-appointment, I will continue to engage all member cities in San Mateo County to share ideas, voice concerns, raise questions, and help set our group’s priorities. I am reachable and you have seen me lead with inclusion and compassion. I thank you for your consideration and I humbly ask for your support.

In service,

Eddie Flores
Councilmember, City of South San Francisco