

**Association of Bay Area Governments**

**Bay Area Housing Finance Authority**

**Housing Committee**

**Oversight Committee**

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June 8, 2023

Agenda Item 6.b.

BAHFA Advisory Committee Appointment

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**Subject:**

Appointment of Consuelo Hernandez to the Advisory Committee of the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority

**Background:**

California Government Code Title 6.8, Section 64500 et seq. is the enabling legislation for the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA), as approved by the state legislature under Assembly Bill 1487 (Chiu, 2019). The legislation sets forth BAHFA's powers and obligations, including the responsibility of BAHFA's governing entities, the ABAG Executive Board as the Executive Board to BAHFA and the BAHFA Board, to form an advisory committee "composed of nine representatives with knowledge and experience in the areas of affordable housing finance and development, tenant protection, and housing preservation" (Sec. 64511(a)(2)(A)).

In November 2022, the BAHFA Board and ABAG Executive Board, acting as the Executive Board to BAHFA, approved nine inaugural appointees to the BAHFA Advisory Committee (Resolutions No. 0020 and No. 19-2022, respectively).

Jacky Morales-Ferrand, a current member of the Advisory Committee, recently announced her retirement from the City of San Jose's Housing Department's directorship, opening a vacancy on the Advisory Committee that BAHFA now seeks to fill.

**Recommendation:**

The recommended new appointee is Consuelo Hernandez, Director of Santa Clara County's Office of Supportive Housing. Consuelo has worked in Santa Clara County's supportive housing office in increasing positions of responsibility for almost 8 years. Prior to that, she was a planner in Palo Alto, Bell Gardens and Maywood. In her current role, she and her team succeeded in financing the production of approximately 4,200 housing units with the county's 2016 Measure A funds, a majority of which serve formerly unhoused, extremely low-, and very low-income households.

**Issues:**

None

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**Recommended Action:**

The BAHFA Oversight Committee is requested to recommend to the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority and the ABAG Housing Committee is requested to recommend to the ABAG Executive Board acting as the Executive Board to BAHFA the appointment of Consuelo Hernandez to the Advisory Committee of the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority.

**Attachments:**

None

**Reviewed:**



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