

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission and Association of Bay Area Governments
Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee**

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Agenda Item 3a

MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised - Policy Advisory Council Appointments & Stipends

Subject:

Update on stipends and appointments to the 4-year Policy Advisory Council term that will run January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2025.

Summary:

MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised, which created the MTC Policy Advisory Council (“Council”), calls for recruitment and appointment of a new Council every four years. All voting Commissioners have reviewed the applications and affirmatively named their appointments. Staff is also recommending increasing the meeting stipend for the first time since the Policy Advisory Council was established in 2010.

Background:

The Council consists of 27 members, one third (9) representing communities of color, environmental justice or low-income interests; one third (9) representing older adults (a.k.a. “senior”) or disabled interests; and one third (9) represent economic and environmental interests. Current advisors were eligible for reappointment for a new term, provided they re-apply, along with new candidates.

Nine Council members — one from each county — are to represent low-income communities and communities of color, with four aligned with low-income communities, four representing communities of color, with the ninth member coming from either category. The same formula holds for the nine members representing older adults and persons with disabilities (one from each county, with four from each category and the ninth member coming from either). These advisors are recommended for appointment by the Commissioners from their particular county.

Of the nine members representing economic and environmental interests, four represent the economy, and four represent the environment, with the ninth member selected from either category. These advisors are recommended for appointment by the Commission chair and vice chair on an at-large basis; with at least one member each from the five most populous Bay Area counties — Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara.

Recruitment Results:

The recruitment window lasted seven weeks from June 14 – August 1, 2021. The recruitment announcement and online application were posted to MTC’s website, and a press release was picked up in the local press and shared on social media sites including LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter. An announcement was also included in MTC’s E-newsletter to 33,200 individuals (including our partner agencies), subscribers to our headlines (15,600 people), as well as a blog post (1,700 subscribers). In addition, hundreds of postcards were distributed via libraries in all nine counties to reach those without internet access.

132 applications were submitted for the 27 available seats, including 17 applications from current advisors. Applicants included individuals from a range of fields including academics, business professionals, community leaders and transportation system users. The candidates possessed a rich array of skills and experiences, and this year’s recruitment pool stood out for its deep knowledge and demonstrated commitment to improving the quality of life for all Bay Area residents.

Selection and Appointment:

Staff completed an initial review of the applicants for experience and availability to attend Council meetings. Following this initial assessment, staff did a second assessment - including group Zoom interviews with non-incumbents – to further assess the extremely well-qualified pool of candidates. Following these assessments, staff made an initial set of recommendations, while also sharing application materials from all of the candidates' to the relevant Commissioners for consideration. Staff received recommendations from all voting members of the Commission. The recommended candidates are included at the end of this memo.

Compensation:

Dating back to when the current iteration of the Policy Advisory Council was established in 2009, Members have been provided with a \$50 stipend per meeting (up to 3 meetings per calendar month), along with transportation costs. During the recruitment period, a number of candidates asked whether the compensation and stipend policy would be updated to lower participation barriers for representatives from low-income and other historically excluded

communities. A survey of other regional bodies indicated that meeting stipends go significantly higher. For example, the California Air Resource Board, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District pay their advisory board members upwards of \$500 per meeting.

Issues:

Representation on the Council reflecting the Bay Area's diverse communities and constituencies.

Staff Recommendations:

MTC Resolution No. 1058 currently states that Policy Advisory Council Members' stipends be set at \$50 per meeting while Commissioners are paid \$100 stipends per meeting. Staff recommends that the Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee request the Administration Committee update MTC Resolution No. 1058 to increase Policy Advisory Council Members' stipends to \$100 per meeting compensation for up to three (3) meetings in any calendar month. Staff requests Staff further recommends that you refer MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised, to appoint the Policy Advisory Council members for the new term to the Commission for approval.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: MTC Resolution No. 3931, Revised
- Attachment B: MTC Resolution No. 1058, Appendix D


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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3931, Revised

This resolution defines the role and responsibilities of the Commission's Policy Advisory Council.

This resolution supersedes Resolution No. 3516. Further discussion of this action is contained in the Executive Director's memorandum dated November 6, 2009. This resolution includes:

- Attachment A, which outlines the mission statement, roles, expectations, procedures, appointment process and membership criteria for the Council;

This resolution was revised on March 24, 2010, to include:

- Attachment B, a table listing the currently appointed advisors and their term.

This resolution was revised on February 23, 2011, to include revisions to Attachment B and:

- Attachment C, a table showing which advisors have been replaced and their replacements.

This resolution was revised on February 22, 2012 to extend the terms of the advisors identified in Attachment B through July 2013.

This resolution was revised on July 25, 2012, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on March 27, 2013, to add Conflict of Interest and Ethics Training policies to Attachment A.

This resolution was revised on July 24, 2013, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on July 23, 2014, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on November 19, 2014, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on March 25, 2015, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on September 23, 2015, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on October 26, 2016, to include revisions to Attachment A, Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on July 26, 2017 to extend the terms of the advisors identified in Attachment B through September or October 2017, depending on final 2017 recruitment appointment.

This resolution was revised on October 25, 2017, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on April 24, 2019, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on July 24, 2019, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on February 26, 2020, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

This resolution was revised on December 16, 2020 to extend the terms of the advisors identified in Attachment B through December 2021.

This resolution was revised on March 24, 2021, to include revisions to Attachment B and Attachment C.

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RE: Commission Policy Advisory Council

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 3931

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, MTC seeks to involve citizens of diverse backgrounds and interests in the development of transportation plans and programs, in a manner consistent with applicable state and federal requirements and Commission policy (Resolution No. 2648); and

WHEREAS, MTC seeks to focus its advisory processes around the “Three E” principles of sustainability outlined in the regional transportation plan: a prosperous and globally competitive economy; a healthy and safe environment; and equity wherein all Bay Area residents share in the benefits of a well-maintained, efficient and connected regional transportation system; and

WHEREAS, MTC seeks to utilize its advisors to ensure that a wide spectrum of views are considered in developing transportation policy, and enhance the contributions and effectiveness of its advisors, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Commission establishes a Policy Advisory Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the members of the Policy Advisory Council will be appointed according to the process and shall have the role, tasks, membership and meetings as described in Attachment A to this resolution, attached hereto and incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Policy Advisory Council roster is contained in Attachment B to this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is instructed to secure nominations to fill expired terms and other vacancies and present them to the Commission for confirmation by periodically revising Attachment B; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 3516, Revised, is superseded with the adoption of this resolution.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the
Metropolitan Transportation Commission
at a regular meeting of the Commission held
in Oakland, California, on November 18, 2009

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Attachment A
Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council

A. Mission Statement

The mission of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Policy Advisory Council (Council) is to advise the Commission on transportation policies in the San Francisco Bay Area, incorporating diverse perspectives relating to the environment, the economy and social equity. The Council advises the Commission and its staff through the appropriate MTC standing committees on matters within MTC's jurisdiction and as assigned by the Commission.

B. Roles/Expectations

1. Advisors Provide Interest-Based and/or Geographic Perspectives

Advisors should represent the stakeholder interest under which they have been appointed. Although some advisors may be appointed based on an organizational affiliation, they should represent their constituency (not just their individual organization).

2. Responsibilities

Advisors will be expected to regularly attend their Council meetings and to maintain an ongoing engagement with organizations and individuals who make up the advisor's constituency.

3. Council Work Plan

The Commission will hold an annual workshop as a separately agendized meeting with the Policy Advisory Council to set the Council's work plan and schedule for the year. At this meeting, the Commission will identify several priority areas in which it desires feedback and/or research from the Council, and establish appropriate goals and performance measures. Advisors also will be given the opportunity to recommend initiatives of potential relevance to the Commission for inclusion in the work plan.

4. Reporting to the Commission

With the assistance of MTC staff, the Council will report on its work plan progress or present recommendations to the full Commission or MTC's standing committees, as appropriate.

5. Limitations on Advisor Activities

The role of the advisors is to advise the MTC Commission. Advisors are not to convey positions to outside agencies on behalf of the Council, independent of Commission action.

6. Conflict of Interest Policy

In order to avoid potential conflict of interest, no person shall sit on the Policy Advisory Council and concurrently be in a business relationship with MTC/BATA. A member is considered to have a business relationship with MTC/BATA when that member is employed by or serves on the Board of Directors of an organization that has received a grant or contract award from MTC – where MTC staff alone reviews proposals and recommends an organization or organizations for award of that grant or contract. In such cases, the member shall resign from the Council for the duration of the contract or grant, but may reapply for any vacancies upon completion of the contract or grant.

7. Ethics Training

All members of the Council shall complete an ethnics training course within the first year of their term on the Council.

C. Membership

The Council shall be composed of twenty-seven (27) members as follows.

A total of nine (9) members, one from each Bay Area county, shall be selected to represent interests related to the communities of color, environmental justice and low-income issues. A minimum of four members shall represent the communities of color, and a minimum of four shall represent environmental justice/low-income issues. The ninth member shall be selected from either category.

A total of nine (9) members, one from each Bay Area county, shall be selected to represent the interests of disabled persons and seniors. A minimum of four members shall represent senior issues, and a minimum of four shall represent disabled issues. The ninth member shall be selected from either category.

A total of nine (9) members shall be selected to represent interests related to the economy and the environment. A minimum of four members shall represent economy interests and a minimum of four members shall represent environmental interests. The ninth member shall be selected from either category. Of these nine seats, at least five should be held by residents from each of the five most populous counties. The remaining four seats may be selected at large from throughout the entire Bay Area.

There shall be no alternates to the appointed membership.

D. Appointment Process

1. General

MTC staff shall secure nominations to fill terms and vacancies for the Council and present them to the appropriate Commissioners for confirmation. Appointments for advisors representing a particular county will be made by that county's Commissioners. Appointments for all the at-large advisors will be made by the Commission's chair and vice chair. Nominations for members of the Council will be solicited from a wide range of sources including, but not limited to: MTC Commissioners, current advisors, relevant organizations in the community, and via news releases or display ads sent to media outlets in the nine-county Bay Area.

2. Terms of Appointment

In general, advisors will serve four-year terms. Although there are no term limits, MTC Commissioners are to consider length of service and effectiveness before recommending the reappointment of advisors. All advisors wishing to be reappointed must reapply.

E. Procedures

Attendance and Participation

1. Advisors must attend at least two-thirds of the Council's regularly scheduled meetings each year and make a constructive contribution to the work of the Policy Advisory Council. Those who do not do so may be subject to dismissal from the Council at the discretion of the appointing Commissioner(s).

2. Residency Requirements

Advisors must live or work in the nine-county Bay Area.

3. Compensation

Subject to the Commission Procedures Manual (MTC Resolution No. 1058, Revised,

Appendix D), advisors will receive a stipend per meeting and be reimbursed for actual expenses for travel, with a maximum of three meetings per month. Meetings are defined as a) publicly noticed meetings or meetings of ad hoc working groups of the Council; b) noticed MTC Commission or committee meetings; or c) attendance at a community meeting at the request of the Commission or MTC staff to provide outreach assistance (i.e., when he/she attends a community meeting with MTC staff to provide an introduction to a particular community).

4. Meeting Frequency and Location of Meetings

The Council will meet regularly as required by its annual work plan. Public meetings will be held at the MTC offices or other locations at a regular time to be agreed upon by the members of the Council.

5. Ad Hoc Working Groups

To implement its work plan, the Council may establish working groups, with participation from MTC staff, on an ad hoc basis.

6. Quorum Requirements

At least 50 percent plus one of the Council's appointed membership must be present to constitute a quorum and vote on issues. The Council can hold discussions in the absence of a quorum, but cannot vote.

7. Election of Council Chair and Vice Chair

The Council will have a chair and a vice-chair, to be elected by the council for a two-year term. Although Council officers may be reelected, regular rotation of these positions among the Council membership is strongly encouraged.

8. Public Meetings

All Council meetings and any ad hoc working group meetings will be noticed and open to the public.

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**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council
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Advisor Name	Representing	County	Appointing Commissioner(s)
Adina Levin	Environment	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Anne Olivia Eldred	Environment	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Carina Vinh Lieu	People of Color	Alameda	Dutra-Vernaci, Miley and Schaaf
Chris Fitzgerald	Disabled	Santa Clara	Chavez, Abe-Koga, and Liccardo
Christina Gotuaco	Low-Income/Environmental Justice	San Francisco	Vice Chair Josefowitz, Ronen, Ahn
Dwayne Hankerson	Disabled	Solano	Spering
Frank Welte	Disabled	Alameda	Dutra-Vernaci, Miley and Schaaf
Gabriela Yamilet Orantes	People of Color	Sonoma	Fleming, Rabbitt
Genay Markham	Environment	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Gerald Glaser	Older Adult	Sonoma	Fleming, Rabbitt
Hans Korve	Older Adult	Napa	Chair Pedroza (for Napa County)
Howard Wong	Older Adult	San Francisco	Vice Chair Josefowitz, Ronen, Ahn
Ilaf Esuf	Economy	At-Large	Chair Haggerty and Vice Chair Pedroza
Michael Baldini	Low-Income/Environmental Justice	Napa	Chair Pedroza (for Napa County)
Pamela Campos	People of Color	San Mateo	Papan, Canepa
Phil Pierce	Environment	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Rachel Zack	Environment	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Randi Kinman	Low-Income/Environmental Justice	Santa Clara	Chavez, Abe-Koga, and Liccardo
Rich Hedges	Older Adult	San Mateo	Papan, Canepa
Rodney Nickens	Economy	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Veda Florez	Older Adult	Marin	Connolly
Vinay Pimple	Disabled	Contra Costa	Glover, Worth
Walter Wilson	Economy	At-Large	Chair Haggerty and Vice Chair Pedroza
Wendi Kallins	Low-Income/Environmental Justice	Marin	Connolly
William Goodwin	People of Color	Contra Costa	Glover, Worth
Zachary Deutsch-Gross	Economy	At-Large	Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz
Benjamin Edokpayi	People of Color	Solano	Spering

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**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Policy Advisory Council
Former Advisors and Their Replacements**

Former Advisor	Time Served	Representing	Replaced By	Replaced On
Andrew Casteel	March 2010 – June 2010	Environment	Sandi Galvez, Environment	February 23, 2011
Ann Hancock	March 2010 – July 2010	Environment	Tanya Narath, Environment	February 23, 2011
Allison M. Hughes	March 2010 – September 2011	Equity	Jim E. Blacksten, Equity	July 25, 2012
Evelina Molina	March 2010 – February 2012	Equity	Elizabeth A. Clary, Equity	July 25, 2012
Cheryl O'Connor	March 2010 – February 2012	Economy	Alan R. Talansky, Economy	July 25, 2012
Carmen Rojas	March 2010 – November 2010	Equity	Yokia Mason, Equity	February 23, 2011
Abigail Thorne-Lyman	March 2010 – June 2010	Environment	Tina King Neuhausel, Environment	February 23, 2011
Dolores Jaquez	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Elizabeth Clary, Equity	July 24, 2013
Federico Lopez	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Timothy Reeder, Equity	July 24, 2013
Yokia Mason	February 2011 – July 2013	Equity	Carlos Castellanos, Equity	July 24, 2013
Tanya Narath	February 2011 – July 2013	Environment	Chris Coursey, Environment	July 24, 2013
Tina King Neuhausel	February 2011 – July 2013	Environment	Linda Jeffrey Sailors, Environment	July 24, 2013
Kendal Oku	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Veda Florez, Equity	July 24, 2013
Lori Reese-Brown	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Richard Burnett, Equity	July 24, 2013
Frank Robertson	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Mark Nicholson, Equity	July 24, 2013
Dolly Sandoval	March 2010 – July 2013	Equity	Marie Marchese, Equity	July 24, 2013
Egon Terplan	March 2010 – July 2013	Environment	Benjamin Schweng, Environment	July 24, 2013
Jack Gray	July 2013 – April 2014	Economy	Cathleen Baker, Environment	July 23, 2014
Marie Marchese	July 2013 – October 2013	Equity	Harriet Wolf, Equity	November 19, 2014
Mordechai Winter	July 2013 – June 2014	Equity	Charles Kaufman, Equity	November 19, 2014
Cathleen Baker	March 2010 – July 2014	Equity	Shireen Malekafzali, Equity	November 19, 2014
Chris Coursey	July 2013 – November 2014	Environment	Cynthia Murray, Economy	March 25, 2015
Tim Reeder	July 2013 – December 2014	Equity	Michelle R. Hernandez, Equity	September 23, 2015
Bena Chang	March 2010 – November 2014	Economy	Scott Lane, Environment	September 23, 2015

Former Advisor	Time Served	Representing	Replaced By	Replaced On
Joanne Busenbark	September 2013 – September 2015	Equity	Sudhir Chaudhary, Equity	October 26, 2016
Linda Jeffrey Sailors	July 2013 – May 2016	Environment	Sydney Fang, Environment	October 26, 2016
Gerald Rico	March 2010 – June 2016	Equity	Cathleen Baker, Equity	October 26, 2016
Sandi Galvez	February 2011 – June 2016	Environment	Jonathan Fearn, Economy	October 26, 2016
Cathleen Baker	July 2014 – October 2016	Environment	Anna Lee, Environment	October 26, 2016
Caroline Banuelos	March 2010 – October 2017	Equity	Adrian Mendoza, Equity	October 25, 2017
Naomi Armenta	March 2010 – October 2017	Equity	Abigail Cochran, Equity	October 25, 2017
Elizabeth A. Clary	July 2013 – October 2017	Equity	Rick Coates, Equity	October 25, 2017
Sydney Fang	October 2016 – October 2017	Environment	Wendi Kallins, Environment	October 25, 2017
Jonathan Fearn	October 2016 – October 2017	Economy	Teddy Ky-Nam Miller, Economy	October 25, 2017
Bob Glover	September 2013 – October 2017	Economy	Matt Regan, Economy	October 25, 2017
Charles Kaufman	November 2014 – October 2017	Equity	Marc Madden, Equity	October 25, 2017
Scott Lane	September 2015 – October 2017	Environment	Corinne Winter, Environment	October 25, 2017
Jerry Levine	July 2013 – October 2017	Environment	Adina Levin, Environment	October 25, 2017
Shireen Malekafzali	November 2014 – October 2017	Equity	Daniel Saver, Equity	October 25, 2017
Mark Nicholson	July 2013 – October 2017	Equity	Rahmon Momoh, Equity	October 25, 2017
Mike Pechner	July 2013 – October 2017	Equity	Richard Burnett, Equity	October 25, 2017
Alan R. Talansky	July 2012 – October 2017	Economy	Patrick Wolff, Economy	October 25, 2017
Harriet Wolf	November 2014 – October 2017	Equity	Michael Lopez, Equity	October 25, 2017
Richard Burnett	March 2010 – October 2017	Equity	K. Patrice Williams, Equity	October 25, 2017
Wil Din	September 2013 – October 2017	Equity	Jerri Diep, Equity	October 25, 2017
Corinne Winter	October 2017 – December 2018	Environment	Anne Olivia Eldred, Environment	April 24, 2019
Jerri Diep	October 2017 – January 2019	Equity	Daisy Ozim, Equity	July 24, 2019
Sudhir Chaudhary	October 2017 – March 2019	Equity	Terry Scott, Equity	February 26, 2020
Matt Regan	October 2017 – July 2018	Economy	Bob Glover, Economy	February 26, 2020
Teddy Ky-Nam Miller	October 2017 – July 2019	Economy	Christina Gotuaco, Economy	February 26, 2020
Patrick Wolff	October 2017 – October 2019	Economy	Walter Wilson, Economy	February 26, 2020
Daniel Saver	October 2017 – December 2019	Equity	Pamela Campos, Equity	January 12, 2022
Jim E. Blacksten	July 2012 – July 2020	Equity	Frank Welte, Equity	March 24, 2021
Cathleen Baker	October 2016 – July 2019	Equity	Michael Baldini, Equity	February 26, 2020
K. Patrice Williams	October 2017 – June 2020	Equity	Benjamin Edokpayi, Equity	January 12, 2022
Daisy Ozim	July 2019 – December 2020	Equity	Christina Gotuaco, Equity	January 12, 2022
Abigail Cochran	October 2017 – August 2021	Equity	Howard Wong, Equity	January 12, 2022
Adrian Mendoza	October 2017 – December 2021	Equity	Gabriela Yamilet Orantes, Equity	January 12, 2022
Anna Lee	October 2016 – March 2020	Environment	Genay Markham, Environment	January 12, 2022
Bob Glover	February 2020 – December 2021	Economy	Ilaf Esuf, Economy	January 12, 2022
Carlos Castellanos	2007 – December 2021	Equity	Carina Vinh Lieu	January 12, 2022

