



# BAHFA Advisory Committee Overview

**BAHFA Oversight, ABAG Housing, & BAHFA Advisory Committees**



ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**June 10, 2026**

# Statutory Requirements

**BAHFA's enabling statute requires the formation of an Advisory Committee with the following requirements:**

- **Appointments:** Jointly appointed by BAHFA and ABAG Executive Boards
- **Membership:** Up to 11 experts with technical knowledge in “affordable housing finance, construction workforce, and development, tenant protection, and housing preservation.”
- **Responsibilities:** provide consultation and make recommendations to the BAHFA Board and ABAG Executive Board; required role in development and implementation of regional revenue measure

# History & Timeline



# Advisory Committee Members

Name	Organization/Title	Geography	Area of Expertise
<b>Jamie Almanza</b>	Bay Area Community Services, CEO	Regional; East Bay concentration	Protection, Preservation
<b>Aissia Ashoori</b>	City of El Cerrito, Affordable Housing Senior Program Manager	Contra Costa	Production, Protection, Preservation
<b>Efren Carrillo (Chair)</b>	Gallaher Community Housing, CEO	Sonoma & Napa	Production, Preservation
<b>Consuelo Hernandez</b>	Santa Clara County, Deputy County Executive	Santa Clara	Production, Protection, Preservation
<b>Nevada Merriman</b>	MidPen Housing, Vice President of Policy and Advocacy	Regional; Peninsula & South Bay concentration	Production, Preservation
<b>Hugo Ramirez (Vice-Chair)</b>	Oakland Housing & Comm. Dev. Department, Deputy Director	Alameda	Protection
<b>Leelee Thomas</b>	Marin County Comm. Dev. Agency, Deputy Director	Marin	Production, Protection, Preservation
<b>Michelle Whitman</b>	Sonoma County Comm. Dev. Commission, Executive Director	Sonoma	Production, Preservation

# Thank You



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