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

Vice Mayor Glenn Sylvester, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee called for a meeting of the Committee at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, December 20, 2019, at Colma Fire House, 50 Reiner Street, Colma, CA 94014.

AGENDA

1) Roll Call

2) Approval of the minutes for the meeting of October 25, 2019

3) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) representing Cities for a term of two (2) years beginning January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021
   i. Mayor Davina Hurt, City of Belmont, is seeking reappointment

4) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the California Identification System (CAL-ID) representing Cities for a term of three (3) years beginning January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022
   i. Vice Mayor Glenn R. Sylvester, City of Daly City, is seeking reappointment

5) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) representing Cities for a term of two (2) years beginning January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021
   i. Vice Mayor Emily Beach, City of Burlingame, is seeking reappointment

6) Selection of one (1) Council Member 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, 2020 through December 31, 2021
   i. Mayor Rico E. Medina, City of San Bruno, is seeking reappointment
   ii. Council Member Cliff Lentz, City of Brisbane, is seeking appointment
7) Election of a Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2020
   (Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)
   
i. Mayor Sue Vaterlaus, City of Pacifica, is seeking appointment

8) Election of a Vice Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2020
   (Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)

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.

If you have any questions or require additional information, contact Sukhmani S. Purewal at (650) 363-1802.
Meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Glenn Sylvester, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee at 6:27 p.m. on Friday, October 25, 2019, at Zoox Headquarters, 1149 Chess Drive, Foster City, CA 94404.

1) Roll Call – The following cities/towns were present: Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Daly City, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Pacifica, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, South San Francisco, and Woodside.

Absent: Colma, Hillsborough, and San Bruno

2) Approval of the minutes for the meeting of August 23, 2019:

   Motion: Millbrae
   Second: East Palo Alto
   Ayes: Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Daly City, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Pacifica, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, South San Francisco, and Woodside
   Noes: None
   Absent: Colma, Hillsborough, and San Bruno

3) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) representing Central Cities (Eligible Cities: Belmont, Burlingame, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, Millbrae, and San Mateo), fulfilling the remaining term of outgoing San Mateo City Council Member Maureen Freschet through December 31, 2020.

   i. Council Member Julia Mates, City of Belmont, is seeking appointment
   ii. Mayor Sam Hindi, City of Foster City, is seeking appointment
   iii. Council Member Gina Papan, City of Millbrae, is seeking appointment
Mayor Sam Hindi, City of Foster City withdrew his nomination.

Town of Hillsborough arrived at 6:36 p.m.

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* Colma and San Bruno were absent. To be appointed, majority of eleven (11) votes are needed. Council Member Julia Mates, City of Belmont received twelve (12) votes and was appointed.

4) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) representing Cities (all Cities are eligible), fulfilling the remaining term of former Belmont City Council Member Doug Kim through December 31, 2019.

i. Council Member Ann Schneider, City of Millbrae, is seeking appointment

Mayor Davina Hurt, Belmont was nominated from the floor.

City of San Bruno arrived at 6:42 p.m.

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* Colma was absent. To be appointed, majority of eleven (11) votes are needed. Mayor Davina Hurt, City of Belmont received sixteen (16) votes and was appointed.

6) Selection of one (1) Council Member to serve on the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART) representing Cities (All cities are eligible), fulfilling the remaining term of former Belmont City Council Member Doug Kim through February 28, 2021.

Council Member Richa Awasthi, Foster City was nominated from the floor.

Mayor Sam Hindi, Foster City was nominated from the floor.

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5) Oral Communications and Announcements

None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.
December 6, 2019

C/CAG of San Mateo County
555 County Center
Fifth Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: C/CAG Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board Appointment

Honorable Chair, Mayors and Councilmembers of San Mateo County,

I am writing to express my strong interest to continue the C/CAG Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board (BAAQMD) appointment made in November 2019 for the full two year term. It was an honor to be appointed last month and I would like to continue representing all of the cities and towns in San Mateo County.

Since my appointment last month, I have been focused on the following priorities in order to best understand the existing and emerging issues under the jurisdiction of BAAQMD as it pertains to impacts and benefits to the cities and towns in San Mateo County:

● Meeting with current Directors Carole Groom and David Canepa;
● Meeting with C/CAG staff and BAAQMD staff in order to orient myself with data, history and an understanding of the organization and critical policy issues;
● Meeting with Directors from other counties on the board to understand the culture and discover where we can successfully work together for healthy, sustainable communities in this region;
● Meeting with all of you and expand my knowledge base in order to be another strong, collaborative San Mateo County voice that is thoughtful and invested in good outcomes for the entire county.

As many of you know, I've resided in Belmont since the early 2000’s and have watched the peninsula grow and change. I am intimately aware of the industries located here and the environmental quality issues our communities are facing on the peninsula. I have a Bachelors in History and Political Science with a minor in Biology at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. After placing roots here, I graduated from Santa Clara Law School with an added certificate in International public law and a focus in environmental justice. After working at a mid-size firm and then starting a family, I decided to open my own private practice for flexibility and community advocacy.

Following my passion for community justice and accountability, I was elected as council member for the City of Belmont in 2015 and now serve as Mayor. Today, I sit as the Chair of a Department of Consumer Affairs licensee board, appointed by former Speaker of the State Assembly John A. Perez
and Toni G. Atkins, where we just recently led the passage of landmark legislation for court reporting. I am honored to be a board of director for Samaritan House (Vice President,) City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County, the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance-Commute.org, San Mateo County Emergency Services Council, Notre Dame Namur University Advisory Board, and South Bayside Waste Management Authority- Rethink Waste, Bay Area Air Quality Management District and numerous alternate roles.

As an attorney, environmentalist, and parent, I believe I will bring added value and a unique perspective to the board. As I stated in my first appointment, my background in environmental law, underserved communities and work on the NAFTA Cross-Borders Trucking Moratorium makes me well suited to continue my appointment as one of the three San Mateo County representatives. More importantly, one of the important aspects of my re-appointment is the intersection of board representation on two key areas that BAAMQD has prioritized for future focus- organic waste reduction and reduction in vehicles traveled. I am an active board member of both Rethink Waste and Commute.org. At Rethink waste, I am a committee member on the education and zero waste committee, while I am also a member of the strategic planning committee on Commute.org. It has been expressed that BAAQMD does not want to work on air issues in silos so I will bring my expertise and knowledge of what we are in doing in San Mateo County to the table for cost savings, efficiency, and grand steps to affect the climate in a positive way.

It is in that spirit that I submit my name for re-appointment to BAAQMD. As a part of a council that has made working well with each other and with other communities a priority, I feel the timing is perfect to serve as a diverse, strong voice for San Mateo County in the region.

Thank you for your consideration. I respectfully request your support to continue the hard work.

Best,

Mayor

Davina Hurt, Mayor
Belmont City Council
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Belmont, CA 94002
dhurt@belmont.gov
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C: Belmont City Council
October 29, 2019

Esteemed Colleagues,

It has been a pleasure to serve as your representative for the California Identification System – Random Access Network.

California Identification System (CAL-ID) is the automated system maintained by the Department of Justice for retaining fingerprint files and identifying latent fingerprints.

It assists in the quick search and retrieval of fingerprints mostly for known assailants that have committed crimes. In cases where and officer on the field cannot or has difficulty identifying someone a search of the system (if having a prior arrest record) has proven this to be a valuable resource. The system is maintained by the State Department of Justice and is available for all law enforcement agencies through California.

As a retired Police Officer, I have used the system since it’s 1985 inception under the name of AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System).

It is my desire to continue to serve on this Committee along with other Chiefs of Police and the Sheriff of San Mateo County. We work very well together and as a political appointee, I understand the need, technological advancements, and can think like Law Enforcement, with the Community and Political need in mind always.
Dear Colleagues,

I would be honored to earn your support as I seek reappointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) Board of Directors representing the Peninsula Cities-at-Large. I am passionate about improving our County’s mobility with cost-effective, convenient, and equitable solutions. I prioritize transparency, fiscal responsibility, and sustainability – core values that guide my work on the TA.

During the past three years as your Cities-at-Large representative, I’ve listened to your needs and worked hard to represent all cities fairly. I’ve been accessible to you and toured cities from the coast to the Bay, north and south, so I could better understand our region’s transportation challenges first-hand. I work hard to prepare for meetings, dig into issues, learn from staff and other experts, think creatively, ask tough questions, and participate respectfully in debates. I always cast my vote with the long-term best interests of San Mateo County residents in mind.

I take my fiduciary responsibility very seriously. During the remaining 15-year life of Measure A and 30-year life of Measure W, our County will entrust the TA Board to administer nearly $3 billion in available transportation funds, and oversee past Measure A commitments. I’ve worked proactively with our finance staff to fully understand and monitor our expenditures and continuously improve the TA’s transparency.

Serving on the TA has been a highlight of my public service and I’ve demonstrated my commitment with a high level of engagement. In addition to serving as Vice Chair, I’ve also volunteered on TA subcommittees and established a reliable attendance record. In three years, I’ve missed only two Board meetings. I attend community outreach meetings about TA projects throughout the County to hear first-hand input from constituents, as well as our Citizens Advisory Committee meetings on occasion.

In recent years, I’ve developed particularly valuable expertise on the US 101 Express Lane project. During our 2018 analysis of managed lanes, I represented the TA Board on a delegation to Los Angeles along with SFMTA and C/CAG. We visited LA Metro to study their equity program, lessons-learned, and express lane infrastructure. I also attended meetings with MTC staff and Board Members, and advocated for San Mateo County to maintain authority over toll policy and revenues. Currently, I represent the TA on the San Mateo County Express Lanes (SMCEL) Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, plus its finance subcommittee. The next two years are critical as we “stand up” our new JPA and create toll policies for the County. Due to unexpected Councilmember retirements, 1/3 of our JPA Board transitioned this fall. If re-elected, I will help bring valuable continuity to our decision-making.

Looking ahead, I couldn’t be more excited about the TA’s and SMCEL JPA’s future work, which includes:

1) Approval and monitoring of the TA’s 5-Year Strategic Plan – which incorporates new Measure W funds
2) Construction of the US 101 Express Lanes
3) Development of toll policy and equity program for the US 101 Express Lanes
4) Oversight of Measure A and Measure W grants for transportation infrastructure projects

You can count on me to consistently advocate for sustainability, mode-shift, and equity. And I will never become complacent 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.
Transportation is an area of governance in which 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 also serve as Vice Chair of Caltrain’s Modernization Local Policy Makers Group, Vice Chair of Commute.org Board of Directors, member of C/CAG’s Congestion Management and Environmental Quality Committee, Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and the County Office of Education’s Safe Routes to Schools Advisory Committee. Mobility solutions are also personally important to me. Every day, my family depends on Caltrain, SamTrans, BART, bicycles, and pedestrian infrastructure because we only have one car.

My professional experience outside local government helped prepare me to be a strong SMCTA Board Member. Since graduating from the University of Notre Dame (Notre Dame, IN) my career has been rooted in teamwork. I worked as a U.S. Army Captain, Silicon Valley business executive, and president of a non-profit fundraising organization. These experiences taught me how to collaborate with diverse groups of people to tackle challenges, build consensus, and achieve results.

Thank you, colleagues, for the privilege of serving on the SMCTA Board for the past three years. The work has been significant, challenging, rewarding, and full of learning. I’m consistently impressed by the intelligence, thoughtfulness, and collaborative spirit among our County’s elected colleagues and professional staff. With your support, I will continue to steward Measure A and Measure W funds to improve our quality of life throughout San Mateo County.

Please feel free to call me with any questions. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to seeing you at the Colma Firehouse on December 20th!

Respectfully,

Emily Beach
Vice Mayor
City of Burlingame
(415) 377-8125 (mobile)
December 3, 2019

Dear Colleagues,

I am seeking re-appointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority for the Northern seat representing the cities of Brisbane, Colma, Daly City, Pacifica, San Bruno, and South San Francisco. While the appointment is geographically based, I represent every San Mateo County community and jurisdiction in my capacity as a member of the Board of Directors. My goal with every vote is to evaluate the benefits and impacts of each policy and funding decision to ensure the best return on investment and mobility outcomes for our County, all the cities and towns, and the residents and taxpayers we serve.

Since you entrusted me with my first appointment in 2017, I have spent the past two years serving on the TA Board and various subcommittees. Some of the highlights of my service include the following:

- Serving on Transportation Authority Strategic Plan 2020 - 2024 Subcommittee to ensure that Measure W, and when possible Measure A, half-cent sales tax revenue is invested as directed by voters and administered by TA staff to ensure forward-thinking investments in projects that reduce traffic congestion, improve mass transit and equity, protect our environment, and promote 21st Century mobility options.
- Served on the subcommittee for interviewing and recommending candidates from across San Mateo County to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee.
- I was recently appointed to the JPA where C/CAG and the TA work together on the implementation of the 101 Express Lane project. Over the next two years, this project will continue with construction between Redwood City and South San Francisco. In that time, I will focus on policies that ensure a regional approach to the investment of surplus toll revenues, ensure equity is always considered as a factor, and focus on future plans to connect the lanes north of South San Francisco to the San Francisco county line where a project is being studied to bring the express lanes to King Street in San Francisco.

I have demonstrated myself to be a voice for every city and town in San Mateo County during my last two years on the TA Board. I am always available to meet, listen, tour priority project areas in your communities, and ensure that my voice is representing the needs of your constituents. I want to hear your concerns, address your interests and make the best decisions that assist and improve our county and communities while serving you on the TA.

I respectfully ask for your support for reappointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority Northern Judicial Cities seat. Thank you for your consideration and should you have any questions please contact me at 650-554-8453.

Sincerely,

Rico E. Medina
Mayor
City of San Bruno

567 El Camino Real, San Bruno, CA 94066-4299
Voice: (650) 616-7058 • Fax: (650) 589-5941
sanbruno.ca.gov/
I am submitting my letter of interest to serve as the Northern Cities Representative on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority because I am deeply passionate about improving our transportation system in the County and Region, so that it provides greater accessibility, reduces congestion, and is more responsive to the needs of our citizens.

We currently have a fragmented public transportation network in the Bay Area, which makes it difficult to efficiently move people from one area to another. I want to apply my skills and experience to help shape the TA’s Strategic Plan, so that we properly implement funding from Measures A and W to reduce vehicle miles traveled, improve efficiency, and reduce commute times.

- As the current Chair of Commute.org, I initiated an ad-hoc committee of fellow Board Members to actively participate in helping our organization evaluate opportunities to generate funding, improve outreach and incorporate the latest technologies for reducing single vehicle occupancy travel.

- When I was the Chair of SFO Airport/Community Roundtable, I put forth a framework that identified flight routes of concern, implemented short and long-term goals, and required collaboration with the FAA, SFO, Congress and the public. Through many workshops and long meetings, the Board, Staff and Kathleen Wentworth from Congresswoman Speier’s office, we created the SFO Airport/Community Roundtable Response to FAA Initiative, that was used by our Congressional Representatives to hold the FAA accountable for the airplane noise disruptions in our communities, and to provide sound solutions for reducing those impacts.

- As a member of the C/CAG Board, I initiated the effort to create an Action Plan for the Countywide Transportation Plan 2040. Through collaboration with board members, staff and stakeholders, we developed the Final Action Plan which laid out guidelines for providing performance measures and accountability for the Countywide Transportation Plan 2040.

- As a Brisbane Council Member for the past ten years, I have worked hard to rally my community to embrace responsible development of the Baylands. I am so proud of our citizens who voted last November to put forth a bold vision for the site, including the building of approximately 2,000 housing units and up to 7M square feet of commercial space.

The Baylands is not only the largest developable site in San Mateo County, but it’s also one of the largest in the Bay Area. To ensure that the Baylands development does not significantly add to our already congested freeways, we need to effectively utilize all of the public transportation options available in the area. We have an opportunity to bring together Caltrain, Muni Light Rail, BRT to BART and a comprehensive shuttle system that connects all of the neighborhoods of the sub-region to the multi-modal station.

The Baylands has the potential to be North County’s most significant contribution to making public transportation more accessible and user-friendly for all of San Mateo County and the Region. I would be honored to earn your support to be the Northern Cities Representative on SMCTA, so that I can apply my experience and energy to help make transportation in San Mateo County more efficient and accountable.

Sincerely,

Cliff Lentz
Brisbane City Council Member
650-219-0293
December 6, 2019

Hello Mayors and Proxies-

My name is Sue Vaterlaus and I am applying for the Chair position for Council of Cities. I have served as the Vice Chair for 2019 and I would love to continue on as the Chair. Unfortunately, I can’t attend the Colma meeting because my granddaughter turns 5 on Dec 24th and we are having a party for her in Arizona on the 21st. I attend almost every meeting and usually take notes and roll call.

I am currently the Mayor of Pacifica but will still be on Council for one more year and I plan to run for one more term. I serve on CCAG, CCAG Legislative, Colma Creek, County Emergency Preparedness as well as other committees. Please consider me for this position. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Sue Vaterlaus, Mayor City of Pacifica
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cc: Kevin Woodhouse