

SBCAG BOARD STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee

MEETING DATE: September 19, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: 4H

STAFF CONTACT: Lauren Bianchi Klemann

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve reappointment of Phillip Greene, Alissa Hummer, Pat Saley, and Laurie Tamura to the Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee for a four-year term from September 2019 to September 2023.

DISCUSSION:



The voter-approved Measure A Ordinance requires creation of a Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee “to help ensure accountability to voters regarding the expenditure of funds and to assist the Authority in ensuring that all provisions, requirements and voter mandates specified in the Investment Plan and Ordinance are properly carried out.” The ordinance requires the appointment of an eleven-member committee by the board. The North County Committee nominates four members, the South Coast Committee nominates four members and the remaining three are “at-large” appointments.

Committee Member Reappointments

At the September 11, 2019 North and South County Subregional Committee meetings, the following Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee members were nominated for reappointment to another four-year term from September 2019 to September 2023, Phillip Greene (At-Large), Alissa Hummer (South County), Pat Saley (South County), and Laurie Tamura (North County). All four members expressed interest in reappointment to serve an additional term that would end in September 2023.

Phillip Greene, Pat Saley and Alissa Hummer were original, Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee members appointed in 2009 and all are residents of Santa Barbara. The original terms for their participation on the committee were set for either two or four years to maintain continuity of the committee when terms expired. Phillip Greene has been a commuter from Santa Barbara to Marian Hospital in Santa Maria. Alissa Hummer is the Planning Director at the University of California Santa Barbara. Pat Saley is a semi-retired land use planning consultant and member of the Santa Barbara County Library Advisory Committee. Laurie Tamura was appointed by the SBCAG Board in 2018 to serve the remainder of Robin Hayhurst’s term. Tamura is a resident of Santa Maria and owner/founder of Urban Planning Concepts.

Staff is aware of the need to discuss committee by-laws, including term limits, with the Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee. This topic will be discussed at the annual meeting on October



16, 2019 in Solvang. Once formalized, SBCAG staff will present the committee by-laws with the SBCAG Board for approval.

Current Committee Roster

The current Measure A Citizens Oversight Committee roster is as follows (membership term in parentheses):

At Large:

- Phillip Greene (2015 - 2019)
- Hamid Bahadori (2017 - 2021)
- Christy Nordgren (2017 - 2021)

North County:

- VACANT
- Laurie Tamura (2015 - 2019)
- Andy Caldwell (2017 - 2021)
- Mark Cheli (2017 - 2021)

South Coast:

- Alissa Hummer (2015 - 2019)
- Pat Saley (2015 - 2019)
- Mark Bradley (2017 - 2021)
- Dennis Story (2017 - 2021)

The committee has proven to be a valuable asset to SBCAG and voters of Santa Barbara County by the diligent performance of their oversight role and as community ambassadors for the Measure A program.