

SAN MATEO COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

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Maryann Derwin, Vice Chair*

*Rebecca Romero, Secretary
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Redwood City, 94063
650-363-1802*

TO: MAYORS OF SAN MATEO COUNTY
FROM: REBECCA ROMERO, SECRETARY
SUBJECT: MEETING OF THE CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE
DATE: JUNE 24, 2011

Vice Mayor, Marge Colapietro, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee, has called for a meeting of the Committee at 6:00 p.m. on June 24, 2011, at VAL's Restaurant, 2468 Junipero Serra Boulevard, Daly City, CA 94014.

Please arrive on time.

AGENDA

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Approval of the Minutes of January 28, 2011
- 3) Selection of two Council Members to serve on the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) representing Cities for a term of 2 years beginning June 30, 2011
 - i. *Council Member, Sepi Richardson, Brisbane, is seeking reappointment*
 - ii. *Vice Mayor, Richard Garbarino, South San Francisco, is seeking reappointment*
- 4) Selection of two Council Members to serve as Alternate Members of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) representing Cities for a term of 2 years beginning June 30, 2011
 - i. *Council Member, Pedro Gonzalez, South San Francisco, is seeking reappointment*
- 5) Selection of a Council Member to serve as an Alternate City Member on the San Mateo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) for the term ending the first Monday in May 2015
 - i. *Vice Mayor, Richard Garbarino, South San Francisco, is seeking reappointment*
- 6) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transit District (SanTrans), representing Southern Judicial Cities (*Eligible cities: Atherton, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos and Woodside*) to fulfill the remainder of the term ending December 31, 2012 (replacing Omar Ahmad)
 - i. *Mayor, Carlos Romero, East Palo Alto, is seeking appointment*
 - ii. *Vice Mayor, Kirsten Keith, Menlo Park, is seeking appointment*
 - iii. *Council Member, Jeff Gee, Redwood City, is seeking appointment*

PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT COUNCIL OF CITIES / CITY SELECTION MEETING
IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 2011 (There is no meeting in the month of July)

7) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain), to fulfill the position (replacing Omar Ahmad)

- i. Vice Mayor, Jerry Deal, Burlingame, is seeking appointment*
- ii. Person elected from item #6 is eligible to seek appointment*

8) Oral Communications

(Any subject not on the agenda may be presented at this time. These topics cannot be acted upon or discussed, but may be agendaized for a later meeting date.)

If you have any questions or require additional information, contact Rebecca Romero at (650) 363-1802.

SAN MATEO COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

Christine Krolik, Chair
Marge Colapietro, Vice Chair

Rebecca Romero, Secretary
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TO: MAYORS OF SAN MATEO COUNTY
FROM: REBECCA ROMERO, SECRETARY
SUBJECT: MEETING OF THE CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE
DATE: JANUARY 3, 2011

Council Member Marge Colapietro, Vice Chair of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee, called a meeting of the Committee to order at 6:21 p.m. on January 28, 2011, at the Sixteen Mile House, 448 Broadway, Millbrae, CA 94030.

MINUTES

- 1) Roll Call - The following cities were present: Atherton, Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Colma, Daly City, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Millbrae, Pacifica, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos, South San Francisco, San Bruno, San Mateo and Woodside
- 2) Approval of the Minutes of May 21, 2010 and January 5, 2011
Motion: Brisbane / Second: Millbrae
- 3) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the California Identification System (CAL-ID) for a term of 3 years beginning January 1, 2011

i. *Mayor Pro Tem, Kirsten Keith, Menlo Park, was appointed*

Motion: San Mateo / Second: Menlo Park

- 4) Selection of three Council Members to serve on the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART) representing Cities (*Cities eligible to nominate: Belmont, Brisbane, Burlingame, Colma, Daly City, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Menlo Park, Pacifica, Portola Valley, San Bruno, South San Francisco and Woodside*) for a term of 3 years beginning March 1, 2011

- i. *Council Member, Pedro Gonzalez, South San Francisco, was reappointed*
- ii. *Council Member, Pam Frisella, Foster City, was appointed*
- iii. *Council Member, David Canepa, Daly City, was appointed*

Motion: Millbrae / Second: Foster City

- 5) Nominations of Council Members to serve on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), representing Cities (Alternate Member) to fulfill the remainder of the term ending May 2011 (replacing Barbara Pierce)

i. *Vice Mayor, Rich Garbarino, South San Francisco, was nominated*

VOTE TALLY

Vice Mayor Garbarino	Mayor Pro Tem Tanner	Council Member Cohen
Brisbane	Atherton	East Palo Alto
Colma	Belmont	
Daly City	Burlingame	
Foster City	Hillsborough	
Half Moon Bay	Menlo Park	
Millbrae	Portola Valley	
Pacifica	Redwood City	
San Bruno	Woodside	
San Carlos		
San Mateo		
South San Francisco		

- 6) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), representing Cities for a term of 4 years beginning February 9, 2011

i. *Mayor, Kevin Mullin, South San Francisco, was appointed*

VOTE TALLY

Vice Mayor Romero	Mayor Mullin	Council Member Pierce
Atherton	Belmont	Redwood City
East Palo Alto	Brisbane	
Menlo Park	Burlingame	
Portola Valley	Colma	
Woodside	Daly City	
	Foster City	
	Half Moon Bay	
	Hillsborough	
	Millbrae	
	Pacifica	
	San Bruno	
	San Carlos	
	San Mateo	
	South San Francisco	

- 7) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans), representing the Northern Judicial Cities (*Eligible cities: Brisbane, Colma, Daly City, Pacifica, San Bruno and South San Francisco*) for a term of 4 years beginning January 1, 2011

i. Council Member, Karyl Matsumoto, South San Francisco, was reappointed

VOTE TALLY

Council Member Guingona	Council Member Matsumoto
Atherton	Belmont
Brisbane	Burlingame
Daly City	Colma
	East Palo Alto
	Foster City
	Half Moon Bay
	Hillsborough
	Menlo Park
	Millbrae
	Pacifica
	Portola Valley
	Redwood City
	San Carlos
	San Bruno
	San Mateo
	South San Francisco
	Woodside

- 8) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans), representing the Central Judicial Cities (*Eligible cities: Belmont, Burlingame, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, Millbrae and San Mateo*) for a term of 4 years beginning January 1, 2011

i. Vice Mayor, Jerry Deal, Burlingame, was reappointed

Motion: Redwood City / Second: Foster City

- 9) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA), representing Central Judicial Cities (*Eligible cities: Belmont, Burlingame, Foster City, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, Millbrae and San Mateo*) for a term of 2 years beginning January 1, 2011

i. Mayor, Terry Nagel, Burlingame, was reappointed

Motion: Pacifica / Second: Portola Valley

- 10) Selection of a Council Member to serve on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA), representing the Southern Judicial Cities (*Eligible cities: Atherton, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Portola Valley, Redwood City, San Carlos and Woodside*) for a term of 2 years beginning January 1, 2011

i. *Council Member, Rosanne Foust, Redwood City, was reappointed*

Motion: San Carlos / Second: Brisbane / Abstained: Belmont

- 11) Election of a Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2011
(Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)

i. *Vice Mayor, Marge Colapietro, Millbrae, was appointed*

Motion: Millbrae / Second: Colma

- 12) Election of a Vice Chairperson to the City Selection Committee for 2011
(Note: Candidates must be a current Mayor or Council Member)

i. *Vice Mayor, Maryann Moise Derwin, Portola Valley, was appointed*

Motion: Half Moon Bay / Second: Pacifica

- 13) Oral Communications

Councilmember Barbara Pierce asked the Mayors of San Mateo County to send letters to the League of California Cities regarding the Governor's proposal to take RDA monies from the cities and towns. She may be contacted for assistance.

Councilmember Barbara Pierce announced that the League of California Cities Peninsula Division will hold the annual Bocce Ball tournament and dinner on April 27, 2011 and to please contact Foster City Mayor Linda Koelling for details and to sign-up for teams and the dinner.

(Any subject not on the agenda may be presented at this time. These topics cannot be acted upon or discussed, but may be agendized for a later meeting date.)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.



CITY OF BRISBANE

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May 11, 2011

Re: Council of Cities Selection Committee Appointments

Honorable Mayors & Mayors' Designee,

The purpose of this letter is to ask for your vote for my re-appointment as a Regular Member of the Association of the Bay Area Government (ABAG) Board of Directors. The Council of Cities Selection Committee will be appointing two regular and two alternate members. I would like to ask for one of your votes for me. This vote is planned to take place on **Friday, June 24, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in Daly City.**

Currently, I serve as the Vice President of the ABAG Joint Regional Planning Committee as well as the Vice President of the Finance Committee. I should like to be able to continue my service on this Board and this can only be possible by your continued support and vote. Your past support and your votes have allowed me to attain these incredible privileges at ABAG. The ABAG board meetings are held in Oakland at the BART building anywhere from 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Transportation, housing, land use, emergency preparedness, as well as sustainability and environmental issues are critical in our communities. Not only must we make sure that we are informed and involved, but at the same time, we must be at the table and take leadership roles for the benefit of our communities.

I would like to continue my role in representing the interest of our cities, special districts and our County on this regional board. Therefore, I ask for your vote for my re-appointment to ABAG Board as a regular member.

I do hope to see all of you and/or your designated voting representatives at this meeting. Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me at (415) 999-9937 or e-mail to sepirichardson@sbcglobal.net.

Respectfully,

Sepi Richardson
Councilmember
City of Brisbane

Cc: Rebecca Romero, City Selection Committee
Chair, Council of Cities

Providing Quality Services

CITY COUNCIL 2011

KEVIN MULLIN, MAYOR
RICHARD A. GARBARINO, VICE MAYOR
MARK ADDIEGO, COUNCILMEMBER
PEDRO GONZALEZ, COUNCILMEMBER
KARYL MATSUMOTO, COUNCILMEMBER

BARRY M. NAGEL, CITY MANAGER

May 10, 2011

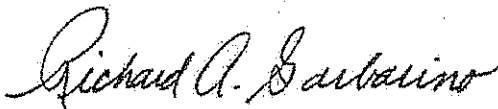
Honorable Mayor and City Council:

My term as member of the ABAG Executive Board ends in June 2011. I am seeking re-appointment to the Executive Board as one of San Mateo County's representative.

There are many challenges that face our cities in the months and years ahead. San Mateo County must have a strong leadership representative at ABAG to ensure that our voice is heard and that we play an integral part in the decision making process on issues that effect our county and its cities. For the past two years, I believe that I have represented the interest of the cities of San Mateo County in an effective and satisfactory manner.

I am asking for your support for my re-appointment as your representative at ABAG. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Respectfully,

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Richard A. Garbarino, Vice Mayor
City of South San Francisco



KEVIN MULLIN, MAYOR
RICHARD A. GARBARINO, VICE MAYOR
MARK ADDIEGO, COUNCILMEMBER
PEDRO GONZALEZ, COUNCILMEMBER
KARYL MATSUMOTO, COUNCILMEMBER
BARRY M. NAGEL, CITY MANAGER

June 2, 2011

OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear San Mateo County Mayors and Council Members:

Please accept this letter of interest for reappointment as the Alternate Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Committee.

I have attended many interesting ABAG meetings and would like to continue being a part of the ABAG Executive Committee by filling the vacant alternate representative seat.

In addition to my previous experience within ABAG, my other City Council experience includes:

- South San Francisco Councilmember since 2000, Mayor in 2003 & 2008
- Liaison on Oyster Point Advisory and Community Preservation Task Force
- Representative on the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) and San Mateo County Water Transit Advocates (WTA)
- Subcommittee member of the Downtown Area Redevelopment and City Facilities Naming
- Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART)
- Housing our People Effectively (HOPE)
- Resource Management and Climate Protection Task Force (RMCP)

I am aware of the important role ABAG plays in our region and look forward to continuing to support its ongoing efforts. I appreciate your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Pedro Gonzalez, Councilmember
City of South San Francisco

Cc: Rebecca Romero, City Selection Secretary
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CITY COUNCIL 2011

KEVIN MULLIN, MAYOR
RICHARD A. GARBARINO, VICE MAYOR
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KARYL MATSUMOTO, COUNCILMEMBER

BARRY M. NAGEL, CITY MANAGER

April 6, 2011

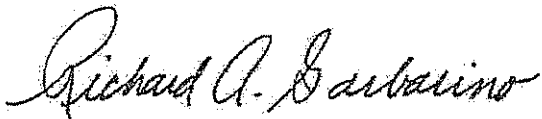
Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I am seeking re-appointment as the alternate to LAFco. My current appointment ends in May 2011 and I would like to continue serving in this capacity for a full term.

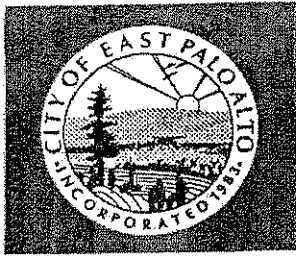
My first meeting was a learning experience and proved to be quite informative.

I am asking for your support for my re-appointment. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Richard A. Garbarino, Vice Mayor
City of South San Francisco



City of East Palo Alto

June 8, 2011

Re: City Selection Committee—Sam Trans Board of Directors, PCJPB open position

Dear San Mateo County Mayors and Council Members:

I write to seek your support to serve on the Sam Trans Board of Directors representing the Council of Cities southern jurisdictions. As Mayor of East Palo Alto, co-vice chair of CCAG, and an active participant in Council of Cities meetings, I have grown to know and engage many of you in discussions of issues affecting our precious cities. I feel it is vitally important to listen and collectively arrive at decisions that affect our cities and the county and if elected, I will bring this approach to serving on the Sam Trans Board.

To understand the needs of our bus and rail systems, I believe one must ride them with frequency as well as understand the policy and practice of the discipline. I am well versed in both areas. As a user of public transit, I ride multiple forms of it—bus, rail, shuttles— on an almost daily basis. Additionally, my past 3 ½ years of service on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's advisory bodies, my graduate level work at Harvard in urban economics, planning, and transportation studies, and my role as vice-chair of the Dumbarton Rail Corridor (DRC) Policy Advisory Committee serve as ample demonstration of my intimate involvement with the policy side of bus and rail service.

Our diverse county must cooperate and arrive at thoughtful, rational decisions that will prepare our cities and region to speak to our urban and rural transportation challenges. By providing vital services to disparate parts of San Mateo County and neighboring counties, Sam Trans furnishes an essential piece of addressing this task. However, the vexing and complex funding issues faced by our transit agencies will take innovative and solution oriented budgetary and fiscal approaches to fix. As an affordable housing developer and consultant and former executive director of non-profits who has developed over \$120,000,000 of affordable and mixed use housing developments throughout the Bay Area and California, I am well versed in finance and budgetary practice, including multi-year financing, capital budgets and pro formas. This background will serve me well in participating productively, constructively, and immediately on the Sam Trans Board.

As a member of CCAG for the past three years now serving as co-vice chair, I have listened to a diversity of countywide perspectives while working with you to find solutions and craft positions that address local and regional needs without acrimonious debate and disunity. If elected to the

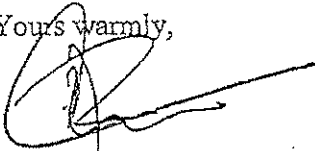
SamTrans Board, I will always bring issues of funding and service changes to the cities for discussion and debate for it is only through reasoned, respectful discourse and an openness to innovative, collaborative, and equitable solutions that we will meet the challenges posed by our need to grow and thrive sustainably.

If I am selected to serve on the Sam Trans Board at the June 24th Council of Cities meeting, I would also be honored to have your support for the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board seat.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions concerning my candidacy. I am by nature a deliberative and consultative person and I am always delighted to discuss matters of civic importance with you. I may be reached at (650) 328-4363 or by e-mail: romero_ezln@yahoo.com.

In closing, I respectfully ask for your consideration and support on June 24th.

Yours warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Carlos Romero', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Carlos Romero
Mayor, City of East Palo Alto



Vice Mayor Jerry Deal
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Burlingame, CA 94010

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6-1-2011

Attention: Mayors, Vice Mayors and Council Members

Re: Appointment to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB)

I am sending you this correspondence asking for your support and vote so I may fill the vacant position on the JPB, which owns and operates Caltrain. The vacancy unfortunately is a result of the passing of San Carlos Mayor Omar Ahmad. His passion, solutions and wit will be missed.

Currently, as required for this position, I am an elected city council member sitting on the SamTrans Board, currently serving as Vice Chair. I want to thank the City Selection Committee for their confidence in that appointment. I am proud of my helpful service to the cities of San Mateo County and of my commitment to SamTrans. I am also currently a member of the Peninsula Congestion Relief Alliance and very involved with the High Speed Rail issue. I am an advocate for the electrification of Caltrain and the search for a dedicated funding stream. One of the most important issues facing the Bay Area is the betterment of our local and regional transportation systems for which I would eagerly accept greater responsibility and commitment.

The City Selection Committee will be voting at the June 24th Council of Cities meeting and I respectfully ask for your support. I would welcome your input and / or questions.

Best Regards,

Jerry Deal
Vice Mayor, City of Burlingame
Vice Chair, SamTrans Board of Directors

RICHARD CLINE
MAYOR

KIRSTEN KEITH
MAYOR PRO TEM

ANDREW COHEN
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June 9, 2011

Re: City Selection Committee for SamTrans

Dear Honorable San Mateo County Mayors and Council Members:


I respectfully request your support for my appointment to become the San Mateo County Cities' representative to the SamTrans Board, which will be voted on at the June 24, 2011 meeting of the San Mateo Council City Selection Committee. I am the Vice Mayor of Menlo Park, a community served by SamTrans and Caltrain. I was on the Menlo Park Planning Commission for six years, the Housing Commission for two years, and the Mediation Commission for two years before I joined the Council.

As a council member, I serve on many committees, including the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG), San Francisco Creek Joint Powers Authority, the Library Liaison, Community Grant Funding Committee, and am a Menlo Park School District Liaison. Additionally, I am an alternate on the Dumbarton Rail Policy Advisory Committee, Grand Boulevard Task Force, 2020 Peninsula Gateway Corridor Study Policy Committee, and the San Mateo Council of Cities.

The primary mission of SamTrans is to provide bus service in the County. Public transportation is very important to me, both personally and for the County as a whole. My family relies on SamTrans on a weekly basis. As a SamTrans Board Member, I will work collaboratively with Board members to set policy on transportation that is regional and balanced. I will represent all of the Cities in the County in a thoughtful manner. This coming year will be a challenge as SamTrans grapples with a 4.1 percent decline in ridership for the year and a 2011-12 budget that is balanced by using \$12.6 million of the \$58 million in reserves. I look forward to working with the Board members to carefully review a service plan to analyze the needs of customers to better serve them.

It has been a pleasure getting to know all of you and attending the monthly Council of Cities meetings. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the meeting June 24th due to a pre-planned family trip. Please feel free to call me before June 22nd at 650-796-1009 if you have any questions. I appreciate your consideration and support.

Sincerely,


Kirsten Keith
Vice Mayor, Menlo Park

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Mayor Jeff Ira
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Council Members
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June 1, 2011

Re: City Selection Committee
SamTrans and Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain)

Honorable Mayors and Designees:

I am writing to express my interest in being appointed to the South County SamTrans seat and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board seat that will be considered later this month at the City Selection Committee meeting.

SamTrans is an integral part of our community, providing access to transportation for many of our county residents. Along with the District's sister transit agencies, the vitality and well-being of public transportation has a direct impact on the quality of life for our residents.

My current regional appointments include: the Peninsula Congestion Relief Alliance, the C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC), and the San Francisco Airport Roundtable.

As an architect, former planning commissioner, past manager of the design and construction program at UC Berkeley, I understand our responsibilities to be stewards of our community. I continue these responsibilities today as a manager of large, multi-million dollar capital improvement programs for public agencies throughout Northern California, including cities, counties, community colleges and K-12 districts. These experiences have allowed me to develop and implement long-range strategic plans, manage multi-year capital improvement programs, develop, manage and review strategic plans, and to live within our fiscal realities.

The present day fiscal challenges are real and ever-present in each of our cities and communities. Only through regional cooperation and respect for the similarities and differences of each community, will we be able to collectively continue to provide vital transportation services for all San Mateo County residents.

However, we cannot allow the issues of today blur our vision for the future of San Mateo County. I believe that my experiences, background and capabilities will enable me to quickly engage the issues at hand, and make a difference in the future.

Thanks you for your consideration and for your support.

Very truly yours,

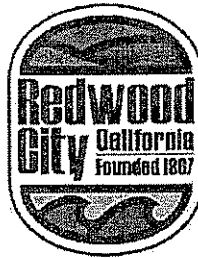
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Jeffrey Gee, Councilmember
City of Redwood City

C: Mayor Ira
Redwood City Council

Mayor Jeff Ira
Vice Mayor Alicia C. Aguirre

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June 1, 2011

Re: City Selection Committee
SamTrans and Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain)

Dear Honorable San Mateo County Mayors and Designees:

At the next City Selection Committee meeting, you will be considering appointments to fill the SamTrans seat and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board seats. Therefore, I am recommending and requesting your support to consider Redwood City Council Member Jeffrey Gee to fill these two important positions.

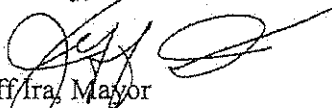
As a colleague, I find Jeffrey to be an intelligent, involved and forward-thinking member of our Council. He is always able to balance fiscal sustainability with a proactive perspective. Prior to becoming a City Council member, he has served our community on the Architectural Review Committee, Planning Commission, and the Recycled Water Task Force. Currently, he serves on the Peninsula Congestion Relief Alliance, the C/CAG Airport Land Use Committee (ALUC), and the San Francisco Airport Roundtable. From my dealings with and observances of Jeffrey, he is remarkable at creating partnerships and seeking opportunities for regional cooperation.

I believe he would be an asset to SamTrans and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board. He is extremely aware and knowledgeable of mobility, transportation, and traffic issues that impact our community and the county at large. He is a 43-year resident of the mid-peninsula and a 14-year resident of Redwood City. I am certain he would seek out all opportunities to improve the quality of life for all of our residents, and work tirelessly to improve transit services throughout the county.

In my opinion Jeffrey would add a lot to the SamTrans and Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain). Moreover, he will serve with integrity, vision, and commitment.

Thank you for your consideration and for your support.

Sincerely,


Jeff Ira, Mayor
City of Redwood City

C: Redwood City Council