

SAN MATEO COUNTY

CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

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

Mayor Rico E. Medina, Chairperson of the San Mateo County City Selection Committee called for a **Regular** in person meeting of the Committee at **5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 26, 2024**, at Foster City Community Center, Wind Room – 1000 E. Hillsdale Blvd. Foster City, CA 94404.

AGENDA

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Selection of one (1) Councilmember to serve as *Regular* member on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) representing **Cities** (*all Cities are eligible*), fulfilling the remaining term of Emily Beach through December 31, 2025.
 - i. *Foster City Vice Mayor Stacy Jimenez, is seeking appointment*
 - ii. *Millbrae Mayor Anders Fung, is seeking appointment*
- 3) 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.*



OFFICE OF THE VICE MAYOR

City of Foster City

June 28, 2024

Dear Honorable City Selection Committee Members and Mayors:

I am writing to seek your support for appointment to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority Board of Directors At-Large Seat.

While departing board member Emily Beach leaves large shoes to fill, I believe I have the right experience, passion and background to step in and be an immediate asset and supportive member in moving SMCTA forward amidst a potential wave of changes and challenges. From funding grade separation projects to transit connection improvements, to examining the effects of potential area wide consolidations and/or increased coordination, there is much work to be done!

For the last two years, I have served on the San Mateo County City and County Association of Government's Board of Directors and was recently appointed to its Legislative Committee. C/CAG has done incredible work in establishing a long-range vision for transportation within our county while partnering with local jurisdictions and county-wide agencies to fund and develop transportation plans and studies. I believe there is much to be gained from cross-coordination and partnerships amongst our county agencies, and have loved my time in service on this committee.

I also serve on the board of the Transportation Demand Management Agency ("Commute.Org") and the Congestion Management and Environmental Quality (CMEQ) Board. Commute.org is the JPA funded primarily by the SMCTA and is tasked with reducing vehicle miles traveled within our county. Commute.org's shuttle services require close partnerships with our regional transit agencies such as Caltrain, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), our cities and local employers. It has been a privilege to work with fellow board members on this committee and see the work being done and projects funded across our county.

Similarly, I have worked across several organizational lines in my work with CMEQ, which is tasked with programs and planning related to traffic congestion management and travel demand management. In this work, I have served with members of SamTrans, Caltrain, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and BART.



City of Millbrae

621 Magnolia Avenue, Millbrae, CA 94030

ANDERS FUNG
Mayor

July 5, 2024

City Selection Committee of San Mateo County
400 County Center, 1th Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

Re: Appointment to the SMC Transportation Authority

Dear Honorable Mayors and Councilmembers,

I am writing to express my sincere interest in serving on the SMC Transportation Authority Board of Directors position.

Having grown up in a public housing project in Hong Kong, where 90% of the population does not own private vehicles, public transportation has been the way of life for millions, including myself. It is clear to me that sensible transportation policy is a fundamental necessity to a successful society. And this is one of the main reasons why I committed to run for office in 2020, in a city where all the major transit systems converge and serve as the major transit hub of San Mateo County, if not the entire Bay Area.

In terms of advocacy at the Transportation Authority, there needs to be equitable access to regional resources across the entire county. San Mateo is a diverse county, and every city is unique with various levels of access to public transportation and traveling patterns. Our planning process needs to be mindful of the uniqueness of each community, enhance our transportation safety, reduce congestion whenever possible, increase accessibility of public transportation, identify shuttle programs and bus line opportunities to underserved communities, enhance safe routes to school and high quality transits, identify key infrastructure enhancements such as grade separation at dangerous crossings to ensure safety. We must ensure our transportation priorities are evaluated through the lenses of safety and equity, and the people whom we represent, particularly those who rely on public transportation as part of their daily lives.

My early adulthood lived experience allowed me to have first-hand experience on how public transportation must be successful for the people it serves - public transportation needs to be safe, it needs to be affordable, it needs to be dependable, and it needs to be accessible to everyone. My years serving on San Mateo countywide regional boards gave me a unique perspective and experience on how properly allocated resources could propel a community to success. I believe my unique qualities could help transform our transportation policies and improve the lives of San Mateo County residents, for decades to come.

I appreciate your consideration and your support.

Sincerely,

Anders Fung
Mayor
City of Millbrae

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Finally, my experience and training as an attorney affords me the ability to understand the intricacies of funding agreements, as well as state and county codes and mandates, and I enjoy working my way through and processing data from a myriad of sources in order to find the right solutions at the right times.

The unifying thread across all of these committees and work is a focus and effort to find regional solutions to our transit challenges and to reduce and mitigate the impacts of automotive traffic. Central to this is maximizing the benefits and opportunities that public transportation brings to our county and the region. This must be done with a close and creative eye on funding, along with sound financial management, while always incorporating equity, diversity and inclusion along every step of the way.

I know that I can bring my work ethic, drive for excellence, and passion for this county to the Transit Authority Board and I will serve to work with a diverse and varied group of board members with civility and kindness, all while understanding the importance of the work to be done, keeping the big picture of our county in mind.

I would be honored to have your support and I am happy to make myself available at any time should you have any questions.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacy Jimenez".

Stacy Jimenez
Vice-Mayor