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# NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 17, 2022 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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# Nominating Committee Members – March 2022

**1.** Hon. Rex Richardson, Chair Los Angeles County Representative

2. **Hon. Steve Manos**Riverside County Representative

3. Hon. David Pollock
Ventura County Representative

**4. Hon. Marty Simonoff**Orange County Representative

5. Sup. Karen Spiegel
Riverside County Representative

**6. Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker** Imperial County Representative

**7. Hon. Alan D. Wapner**San Bernardino County Representative



# NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Southern California Association of Governments **Remote Participation Only** Thursday, March 17, 2022 4:00 PM

The Nominating Committee may consider and act upon any of the items on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action items.

## CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Honorable Rex Richardson, Chair)

# **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Matters Not on the Agenda)**

This is the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that is **not** listed on the agenda. Although the committee may briefly respond to statements or questions, under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon at this time. Public comment for items listed on the agenda will be taken separately as further described below.

General information for all public comments: Members of the public are encouraged, but not required, to submit written comments by sending an email to: ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov by 5pm on Wednesday, March 16, 2022. Such comments will be transmitted to members of the legislative body and posted on SCAG's website prior to the meeting. Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the Nominating Committee regarding any item on this agenda (other than writings legally exempt from public disclosure) are available at the Office of the Clerk, located at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017 during normal business hours and/or by contacting the office by phone, (213) 630-1420, or email to aguilarm@scag.ca.gov. Written comments received after 5pm on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, will be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting. Members of the public wishing to verbally address the Nominating Committee in real time during the meeting will be allowed up to a total of 3 minutes to speak on items on the agenda, with the presiding officer retaining discretion to adjust time limits as necessary to ensure efficient and orderly conduct of the meeting. The presiding officer has the discretion to equally reduce the time limit of all speakers based upon the number of comments received. If you desire to speak on an item listed on the agenda, please wait for the chair to call the item and then indicate your interest in offering public comment by either using the "raise hand" function on your computer or pressing \*9 on your telephone. For purpose of providing public comment for items listed on the Consent Calendar, please indicate that you wish to speak when the Consent Calendar is called; items listed on the Consent Calendar will be acted upon with one motion and there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the legislative body so requests, in which event, the item will be considered separately.



# **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

# **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM**

1. Nominations for 2022-23 SCAG Officer Positions *(Ruben Duran, Board Counsel)* 

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Forward to the Regional Council the recommended candidates for 2022-23 SCAG Officers for the positions of President, First Vice President and Second Vice President.

# **ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

# **ADJOURNMENT**



# **AGENDA ITEM 1**

**REPORT** 

Southern California Association of Governments
Remote Participation Only
March 17, 2022

**To:** Nominating Committee (NomCom)

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**From:** Michael Houston, Director of Legal Services/Chief Counsel

(213) 630-1467, houston@scag.ca.gov

**Subject:** Nominations for 2022-23 SCAG Officer Positions

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Forward to the Regional Council the recommended candidates for 2022-23 SCAG Officers for the positions of President, First Vice President and Second Vice President.

# **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 1: Produce innovative solutions that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.

### **SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:**

Each year, the Nominating Committee meets to review and recommend candidates for the SCAG Officer positions for the upcoming year. Four members of the Regional Council submitted timely applications for the three SCAG Officer positions by the deadline of February 18, 2022.

The four applicants are as follows:

1. For the Position of President: The Honorable Jan Harnik

For the Position of First Vice President: The Honorable Carmen Ramirez

3. <u>For the Position of Second Vice President</u>: The Honorable Art Brown

4. For the Position of Second Vice President: The Honorable Curt Hagman

It is requested that the Nominating Committee consider the applicants and recommend one candidate for each of the positions of President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. Thereafter, the Nominating Committee will present the recommended candidates at the next meeting of the Regional Council in April for review and action.

The slate of officers elected by the Regional Council will then be presented to the General Assembly for ratification as part of its Annual Business Meeting to be held on May 5, 2021. If ratified by the



General Assembly, the new Officers will commence their one year terms of office upon the adjournment of the General Assembly meeting.

Listed below are the minimum eligibility requirements for the SCAG Officer candidates to be considered by the Nominating Committee in accordance with Article VI, Section C of the SCAG Bylaws:

- (1) At the time of the application, the potential candidate must be a Regional Council member who is a representative of a voting-eligible Member of the Association and who has served on a Policy Committee and/or the Regional Council (in any combination, except as provided in this subsection) for at least 24 continuous months from when first appointed to the Policy Committee and/or Regional Council or from when elected to serve on the Regional Council through a District election; provided, however, that at least 12 months of the potential candidate's service must be as a Regional Council member. A potential candidate's concurrent service as a member of both a Policy Committee and the Regional Council shall count only once towards satisfying the 24-month eligibility requirement.
- (2) The potential candidate must be actively involved with SCAG.
- (3) The potential candidate must be a local elected official from a SCAG member county, city or CTC.
- (4) Term limits will not prevent the potential candidate from serving a full term in the respective officer position.
- (5) A completed nomination application must be submitted to the Association by the appropriate deadline by either the potential candidate or a colleague on the Regional Council.

Based upon staff's review of the applications, all prospective candidates have met the minimum eligibility requirements listed above.

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

Applications for the four candidates listed herein:

- 1. The Honorable Jan Harnik Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position
- 2. The Honorable Carmen Ramirez Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position
- 3. The Honorable Art Brown Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position
- 4. The Honorable Curt Hagman Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position

From: SCAG <no-reply@wufoo.com>

Sent: Saturday, February 5, 2022 10:25 AM

**To:** Maggie Aguilar

**Subject:** Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position [#3]

I acknowledge

that \*

• I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article VI, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Jan Harnik

Name of your Riverside County Transportation Committee, Palm Desert

**SCAG Member** 

County, City

or County

**Transportation** 

Commission \*

**Phone Number** (760) 346-0611

**Email \*** <u>iharnik@ciityofpalmdesert.org</u>

**Application for** • President

Officer

Position \*

Number of 4 terms

months served

continuously

on the SCAG

Regional

Council

and/or Policy

Committee(s).

(Note: The

**Bylaws** 

require,

among other

requirements,

at least 24 continuous months service on the Regional Council and/or a Policy Committee, with at least 12 months of the service as a Regional Council member.) *	
Total length of SCAG service (indicate number of years of service) *	8 yers
When does the term of your local elected position expire? *	December 2022
Would term limits prevent you from maintaining your local elected	No No

position? \*

Positions held Regional Council, Transportation Committee, General Assembly Host Committee, EAC, LCMC, Emerging at SCAG \* Technologies Committee, 1st Vice President, Scholarship Committee

# 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

During my years of service on Southern California Association of Governments it is abundantly clear that, while the communities throughout our region are incredibly diverse in many ways, the relationship between them is symbiotic, and that has been emphasized in the recent clarity that COVID has provided. To truly develop a strong, equitable, healthy and robust region we must work together and view our differences as strengths and focus on our similarities which enable discussion and common perspectives.

COVID has magnified and accelerated many issues that exist. Our weakness in connectivity, both wired and wireless, is an ideal illustration. It is our opportunity to rebuild in a way that we all benefit.

Our willingness to have sometimes uncomfortable discussions with respect and honesty, produces growth and solutions. We have done a lot of work to that end, and we must continue. I am up for the task.

# 2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? \*

It has been, I'll say, an interesting year as 1st Vice President, and we have learned. With the Connect SoCal process, Greenprint, RHNA repercussions, on–going CEQA issues, housing needs and housing obstacles, etc., we have exposed weaknesses and developed solutions. The approach in developing the upcoming RTP is a great example. Another example are the numerous Zooms we have hosted with our representatives in D.C. and Sacramento creating an excellent opportunity to communicate, problem solve, and relationship build. We have many voices at SCAG and must continue to elevate them and express clearly our region's needs, the barriers created in bureaucracy and the flawed thinking of "one size fits all".

The creative and nimble approaches of the last year are a strength of the SCAG staff and membership and something we will build on.

I am a Southern California native – from Pacoima to Palm Desert, with many stops along the way. I appreciate our region and bring the perspective of my years here and my experience here. The impact of changes in technology, population growth, diverse thinking, etc. are important to note and I have the perspective of my years observing and the perspective my children share with me.

(A) In addition Yes
to attending
regular and
special

meetings of

SCAG's

Regional Council, will you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? \*

(B) What

I am a member of the Palm Desert City Council and occasionally there will be scheduling conflicts.

professional or personal constraints on vour time or service that you

anticipate? \*

4. What are your values and skills that

you could

as an Officer?

Raising five children in our region has offered many life lessons and experiences. Watching as they navigate today, which not that long ago I viewed as the future, provides understanding of just how agile and open I/we/SCAG must be in planning - and how closely we must listen. These are skills I possess and continue work on.

bring to SCAG I am passionate about the needs of our region, e.g., relevant and accessible education, broadband, effective land planning, transportation, housing, and work to assist in effectuating the best results while understanding these are on-going issues.

# 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

SCAG must strengthen its voice in Sacramento and Washington D.C., significant progress has been made and we must continue in the effort. Whether we visit by Zoom or in person, our open and honest communication is crucial. Working as a region and with the vision that when we win, no one has to lose, we can achieve our goals.

One of the issues that has been magnified these last two years, is our weakness in connectivity/broadband. When we examine the critical role it plays in everything SCAG does, we know the importance. Our region's success, the quality of living of every person and what occurs in the future, weighs upon our success in implementing an absolutely allinclusive and state of the art broadband plan - while understanding that it will continue to grow in need and technological innovation - and we must continue with it.

The Emerging Technology Committee is a great foundation as are the SoCal Transformation committee and bi-weekly meetings of which 2nd Vice President Ramirez and I have been a part.

6. What would	The strength of SCAG is, at times, also its weakness - great diversity! The diverse opinions and
you consider	experiences have the capacity to find great answers. Also, the staff's and membership's willingness to
the strengths	examine processes to improve and enhance participation and results. The SCAG staff with whom I have
of SCAG? *	worked closely are resilient and open to finding solutions to issues - COVID has shown that clearly.
7. What could	We must continue our work on "the squeaky wheel" in Sacramento and D.C. We have made considerable
CCAC immunus	strides and must continue. We have done a great ich building understanding and relationships between

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nade considerable SCAG improve strides and must continue. We have done a great job building understanding and relationships between our membership. We must do even more with that considerable task to truly be our best.

**Print Your** 

Jan C. Harnik

Name

that \*

**Date** Saturday, February 5, 2022

I acknowledge

by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this application.

From: SCAG <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 1:02 PM

**To:** Maggie Aguilar

**Subject:** Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position [#4]

I acknowledge

that \*

• I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article VI, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Carmen Ramirez

Name of your Ventura County

**SCAG Member** 

County, City

or County

**Transportation** 

Commission \*

**Phone Number** 

**Email \*** <u>carmen.ramirez@ventura.org</u>

**Application for** • 1st Vice President

Officer

Position \*

Number of approximately 100 months

months served

continuously

on the SCAG

Regional

Council

and/or Policy

Committee(s).

(Note: The

**Bylaws** 

require,

among other

requirements,

at least 24	
continuous	
months	
service on the	
Regional	
Council	
and/or a	
Policy	
Committee,	
with at least	
12 months of	
the service as	
a Regional	
Council	
member.) *	
Total length of	9 years
SCAG service	
(indicate	
number of	
years of	
service) *	
When deep the	December 2024
	December 2024
term of your	
local elected	
position	
expire? *	
Would term	No
limits prevent	
you from	
maintaining	
your local	
elected	
position? *	

**Positions held** Member of Energy and Environment Committee since beginning of service, including two years as Chair at SCAG \* and vice char respectively

Past member of nominating committee

Current Chair of Audit Committee and Committee member in past recent times

Member Legislative and Membership committee

Current 2nd Vice President

Continuous member of Regional Council for 9 years, during status as Oxnard City Council representing District 45 for 8 years.

Current Regional Council Member and now as Ventura County Supervisor

# 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

I have been a representative to SCAG regional council for the past 9 years. I know that SCAG, a planning organization of 191 cities and six counties has an unlimited potential to do good for the people and businesses of the region. Good and fair process and planning can make life better for those of us lucky enough to be living here.

I feel fortunate to have grown up in the San Gabriel Valley. I received a great education in public and private schools and universities in Southern California.

I am grateful for the opportunities that I have had to serve the community in my public service as a legal aid attorney for more than two decades and as a member of the Superior Court of Ventura's Self Help programs for unrepresented residents.

My experience led me to run for public office, so that I could offer my services to the city to help make the decisions to improve Oxnard. I volunteered for every committee that impacted my city, whether County, regional or local, wanting my city and my constituents to have a strong voice at every level. Decades as an attorney and civically engaged resident, later as an elected Council member for the City of Oxnard and now as a second year County Supervisor for Ventura County, have given me experience that can help me be a good leader for SCAG.

I want to do what I can and make the decisions that will support the kind of opportunities for a quality of life that I have had. As an organization of elected officials, we have to strive for better solutions, for collaboration, but always move our regions and our respective communities forward. I want to be part of that.

# 2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? \*

I have a long history of respectful communication, diligence (I have never missed a council meeting in 10 years) and building relationships with other elected officials, business entities, community groups and individual members of the community. I respect other peoples' opinions, even if different from mine and I know that I don't have all the answers. I believe that mutual respect, as we further collegiality and civic discourse, is a key to progress. It requires us to listen to

other opinions and to find common ground. Many challenges of the future are not really surprises. To be good leaders, we have to face those challenges today and not put off the work for another day. As a council person for ten years in the City of Oxnard, I and my colleagues had to make very difficult decisions. I worked to achieve consensus with my fellow councilmembers in order to take bold steps to modernize our city as well as to protect public safety and health. These are experiences that I bring to SCAG. While attending to current and emergency needs, like the pandemic and the consequent economic crisis, I try to keep my eye on the next crisis, whether a natural disaster, the health crisis the pandemic has created or the slow-moving train wreck of the housing crisis made worse by the pandemic. We can all learn from the experience of other jurisdictions in order to do better, I look for those lessons.

(A) In addition YES! to attending regular and special meetings of SCAG's Regional Council, will you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? \*

(B) What professional or personal constraints on your time or service that you

anticipate? \*

As a county supervisor and as other elected officials must, I must attend the Supervisors' meetings and regional county committees that I belong to. This has not been a problem for me in the past and not anticipated to be a problem in the future. I have a record of perfect attendance as a city council member for ten years and have rarely missed any SCAG meeting for the regional council or committee assignments. I have no personal constraints on my time.

# 4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG as an Officer? \*

I believe in achieving consensus through respectful dialogue, while the majority controls and the minority viewpoint is respected in every decision. I have been a lawyer for decades, representing individuals with difficult problems. Not every

problem can be resolved in the courtroom and working together we can find solutions where there are more winners than losers. I know that not everything important is done easily or quickly. I have been a board member of many nonprofits, several of which have gone through tough times, I have never abandoned ship but but stayed to see the organization through the crisis. I have been collegial in any organization that I have been a part of either as a member, employee, leader or colleague. I value evidence, and process and the democratic majority and the rule of law. I know that there are in most cases at least two sides to every issue, and it is essential to listen and learn.

During my eight electoral campaigns in the past 12 years, I honored my pledge to wage a "clean" campaign, based on my record and resume, and the facts rather than any personal attacks on my opponents. While others did not, I am proud that I was able to do that and still win six times, including my last campaign for County Supervisor.

Additionally, I respect and enjoy the history of the counties and cities of the SCAG region, their unique cultures and historical features which make for a richer community. I don't believe in a zero-sum game but if other cities thrive in their unique ways, that is best for all of us. And, I wouldn't live anywhere else.

# 5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

The task ahead for SCAG is to continue the hard work of improving the quality of life in our region. This means getting traffic moving, getting the air cleaner, lessening commute times from home to jobs and back again, encouraging more home building in the right place and the right price(s). We have to be responsible leaders for the current and future health and welfare of the people of our region. Collaboration and cooperation and understanding between the representatives of different jurisdictions, agencies, business and non-profits and communities of interests is critical to moving forward with making our region as modern as possible and not leaving any sectors behind.

# 6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? \*

SCAG's greatest strength is the possibility of speaking with a strong voice to influence positive efforts at every level of government. Just as in the past few years, many of us traveled together to Sacramento to seek fairer funding for Southern California's needs, we should continue to make our voice stronger. A great part of our strength is the diversity of our membership, with large and smaller cities, rural and urban, understanding the diverse needs and that one size does not fit all. I also am very aware that the electeds who make up our regional council are essentially volunteers who work tirelessly for the betterment of their communities.

7. What could on? \*

Communication is always something that can be improved. Among our membership, some are SCAG improve relatively new and need the back story to help make informed decisions. Communication with the public at large about what we are trying to do at SCAG could help us make better decisions. Staff is doing an excellent job in this regard but it is a big task. For example, I am very pleased about the

Housing Leadership Academy to help emerging leaders and others better understand the complexity of the housing issues we face. More of this should be encouraged.

Attach a File



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**Print Your** 

Carmen Ramirez

Name

Date

Monday, February 7, 2022

I acknowledge

• by checking this box, my printed name above is my signature for submitting this application.

that \*

# CARMEN RAMIREZ, VENTURA COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5

Ventura County Supervisor Carmen Ramírez is dedicated to improving Oxnard, and Ventura County and the Southern California region now and for the benefit of future generations. She has worked in Oxnard since 1978 and has been an Oxnard homeowner since 1992. In November 2020, she was elected to serve a four-year term as Ventura County Supervisor for District 5, which includes greater Oxnard, including much of the city, and unincorporated areas of the coast, including Hollywood Beach, Silver Strand well as Naval Base Ventura County, California State University Channel Islands, Oxnard Airport, Channel Islands Harbor and Ormond Beach Wetlands and much more.

Previously, she was elected to the Oxnard City Council in 2010 and was elected for three terms. Ms. Ramírez was named Mayor Pro Tem December 2012. During the ten years of her service, she never missed a council meeting.

Graduating from Loyola School of Law in Los Angeles in 1974, she was admitted to the California State Bar that same year and has maintained her license through the present time. For 16 years she was the Executive Director of Channel Counties Legal Services Association, which served the legal needs of low-income families in Ventura and Santa Barbara County. For 9 years thereafter, she was the coordinator of the Ventura Superior Court's Self Help Legal Center in the Colonia neighborhood of Oxnard, serving the Spanish Speaking community. From 2009 she maintained a private legal practice focusing Social Security Disability and consumer law matters, as well as Pro Bono assistance.

She serves on numerous committees, including the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, Ventura County Animal Services Commission, Ventura County's Local Agency Formation Commission, Beach Erosion and Nourishment Commission (BEACON), Ventura County Transportation Commission, the Gold Coast Health Plan (Ventura County's Managed Health Care program), Fox Canyon Ground Water Management Agency and the Camarillo and Oxnard Airport. She is the county's representative to Southern California Association of Governments.

In 1998, she was president of the Ventura County Bar Association and remains active in bar activities. From 2005 to 2008, she was an elected member of the State Bar Board of Governors, overseeing the practice of the legal profession in California.

Additionally, she has been a board member on many community organizations in Ventura County, including Ventura County Community Foundation, El Concilio Del Condado de Ventura, Teatro de Las Americas and is long standing Board Member for the Center for Civic Education, a national non-profit organization promoting the study of the constitutional history of the United States and practice of Democracy in the United States and throughout the world.

She was raised in the San Gabriel Valley of LA County, one of seven siblings. She is married, with two stepsons and is a fluent Spanish-speaker. Because of its opportunities and challenges, she believes that Ventura County is a great place to live, and she is working to making it a better place for future generations to thrive.

From: SCAG <no-reply@wufoo.com> Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2022 1:23 PM

To: Maggie Aguilar

Subject: Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position [#2]

I acknowledge that \*

I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article VI, Section C, subsection 1-5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \* Arthur Brown

Name of your SCAG Member County, City or

Buena Park

County Transportation Commission \*

**Phone Number** 

Email \* abrown@buenapark.com

Application for Officer Position \*

2nd Vice President

Number of months served continuously on the SCAG Regional Council and/or Policy Committee(s). (Note: The Bylaws require, among other requirements, at least 24 continuous months service on the Regional Council and/or a Policy Committee, with at least 12 months of the service as a Regional Council member.) \*

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Total length of SCAG service (indicate number 25 of years of service) \*

When does the term of your local elected 2024

position expire? \*

Would term limits prevent you from

No

maintaining your local elected position? \*

Positions neid at SCAG *	transportation sub-committees and the NAFTA Committee.
1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? *	I have served as a RC member for 25 years and and believe that SCAG is the regional voice of Southern California for planning. I have served as Chair and board member of OCTA, LOSSAN, AND Metrolink. I understand the needs of cities and counties but we need SCAG for Regional Planning to make the region a place for good housing, transportation and quality of life by looking at the region as a whole. I feel with my experience I can help with this process.
2. As an Officer, what would you contribute to SCAG? *	My experience of 34 years as an elected School Board Member, City Council Member. I ahve also worked in Sacramento as an Advocate for a public safety Association for 4 years and have written legislation that is now state law. I have attended the SCAG visits to Washington DC and also with OCTA.
(A) In addition to attending regular and special meetings of SCAG's Regional Council, will you be able to attend other meetings and functions of SCAG, if requested? *	yES
(B) What professional or personal constraints on your time or service that you anticipate? *	No personal constraints. Only professional items would be city council meetings.
4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG as an Officer? *	See number 2
5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? *	I I would like to bring the membership back together instead of the constant bickering about what sub region is not getting their voice heard and to work together for the good of the region.
6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? *	Regional planning and the ability to bring explain to the member ship how their actions will benefit the region as a whole and to pass the state and federal mandated programs.
7. What could SCAG improve on? *	To bring the membership back to the way it was when I first joined SCAG. and defuse the tension between the voice of Los Angeles and the rest of the region.

EEC Member and Chair, T/C Vice Chair and Member. Chair of several

Positions held at SCAG \*

Print Your Name	Arthur Brown
Date	Wednesday, January 27, 2021
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From: SCAG <no-reply@wufoo.com>

**Sent:** Monday, February 14, 2022 10:55 AM

**To:** Maggie Aguilar

**Subject:** Application for 2022-2023 SCAG Officer Position [#5]

I acknowledge

• I have read the SCAG Bylaws, Article VI, Section C, subsection 1–5 as described above; and meet the minimum eligibility requirements.

Name \*

that \*

Curt Hagman

Name of your

San Bernardino County

**SCAG Member** 

County, City

or County

**Transportation** 

Commission \*

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Application for

• 2nd Vice President

Officer

Position \*

Number of

86

months served

continuously

on the SCAG

Regional

Council

and/or Policy

Committee(s).

(Note: The

**Bylaws** 

require,

among other

requirements,

at least 24 continuous months service on the Regional Council and/or a Policy Committee, with at least 12 months of the service as a Regional Council member.) *	
Total length of SCAG service (indicate number of years of service) *	7 years 2 months
When does the term of your local elected position expire? *	Pecember 2022
Would term limits prevent you from	no

maintaining

your local elected

position? \*

Positions held Chairman of the Transportation Committee

at SCAG \* Member of the Legislative / Communications & Membership Committee Member of the Regional

Council

Member of the Executive Administration Committee

Chairman of the Emerging Technologies Committee

Member of the Open Data / Big Data Committee

Member of the Regional Advance Mitigation Planning - Advisory Task Group

# 1. Why do you wish to serve as a SCAG Officer? \*

I wish to serve as a SCAG Officer because I believe that SCAG has an important mission in connecting the lives of residents in Southern California. This includes transportation, technology, housing, and many other issues where a regional approach is valuable. SCAG's slogan of "Innovating for a Better Tomorrow" holds a key goal that I also have in ensuring that our residents are well served both now and into the future. As County Supervisor, a former legislator and mayor, I am keenly aware of the needs and challenges of our region and am up to the large task of doing what I can to lead others in finding innovative solutions. I have served at all levels of government, and I have served members of San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Orange Counties, so I have developed a regional perspective. As an Officer, I would have the opportunity to continue to work with staff and other elected officials in moving our region forward.

2. As an
Officer, what
would you
contribute to
SCAG? \*

My strengths as an officer would come from thinking out of the box. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to bring projects to completion. In my many years of service, I have developed a reputation of someone who works well with others, thinks out of the box and gets things done. This collaborative approach to solving our region's challenges is an asset, and one that I will continue to leverage as an Officer. My broad base of experience in the public and private sector allow me to approach challenges in a unique way, and reach innovative solutions.

to attending regular and special

(A) In addition Being engaged is an important part of being a leader, I look forward to playing an active role in moving to attending forward SCAG goals and initiatives.

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SCAG's

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Council, will

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(B) What professional or personal constraints on your time or service that you

I understand that this role comes with additional responsibilities and am ready and able to play an active role upon becoming an officer. The only challenges that I foresee would be possible scheduling conflicts; though, I would prioritize this role in the event of competing priorities. I presently serve as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in San Bernardino County, and I look forward to bringing that experience to SCAG.

4. What are your values and skills that you could bring to SCAG

as an Officer?

anticipate? \*

My reputation as someone who works well with others and gets the job done will be valuable assets in supporting the President and ensuring that SCAG as an organization achieves and exceeds its goals for our region. Regarding values and skill set, I look forward to continuing to bring creative problem solving, leading by example and innovative ideas to the table.

5. What is your vision for the future of SCAG and what do you believe needs to be done to accomplish this vision? \*

There are a number of issues that need to be approached from a regional perspective rather than being in silos in a particular city or county because the issues cross political boundaries. Homelessness, transportation, and the use of technology are three issues that don't recognize city or county lines, and many others exist. Technology has been a personal interest area, one that I have continued to bring to the forefront of our organization's list of priorities and considerations. As a result of creating this dialogue, I asked for a subcommittee to be formed that explored some of the facets of implementing technology to meet our residents' needs. We have scratched the surface of what technology can do to help us solve problems, I believe that this needs to be an ongoing conversation, and will be actively engaged in further exploring as an Officer.

# 6. What would you consider the strengths of SCAG? \*

SCAG is the largest MPO in our nation, with six counties, 191 cities and more than 19 million residents. We serve almost 50% of the total population of California. If our region was a state, we would be 5th largest on the list from the top with almost as many residents as the entire State of New York. The diverse size and scope of the region makes SCAG well–respected in all areas of planning in which it is engaged. SCAG does a phenomenal job of anticipating the infrastructure

our region will need to keep up with the demands by residents to stay mobile.

SCAG also does a great job pursuing grant opportunities to improve the lives of residents, and works with our local partners in ensuring that we are heard.

7. What could SCAG improve

Because we serve so many communities, communication with the public is not always a simple task especially when it comes to reaching all of our stakeholders. SCAG is doing well in this area, and this is an area that I think that we can continue to improve as our technological capabilities increase. We should focus on non-traditional solutions to some of our regional challenges such as looking to improve goods movement and upgrades to government technological improvements.

**Print Your** 

Curt Hagman

Name

on? \*

**Date** 

Monday, February 14, 2022

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