

Date: September 3, 2020

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

Subject: **South Coast Air Quality Management District Governing Board Elections**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the regional government agency responsible for air pollution control in Los Angeles and Orange Counties and parts of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

The Governing Board of the SCAQMD is comprised of 13 representatives consisting of 3 appointees (one each by the Governor, Speaker of the Assembly, and Senate Rules Committee) and 10 elected officials from the Counties and Cities of the South Coast Air Basin. Long Beach is represented in the Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region. The Governing Board seats are listed below:

Seat	Appointing Authority
1	Los Angeles County – Board of Supervisors
2	Orange County – Board of Supervisors
3	Riverside County – Board of Supervisors
4	San Bernardino County – Board of Supervisors
5	City of Los Angeles – Mayoral Appointee
<b>6</b>	<b>Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region</b>
7	Cities of Los Angeles County – Eastern Region
8	Orange County – City Council Member
9	Riverside County – City Council Member
10	San Bernardino County – City Council Member
11	Appointed by Governor
12	Appointed by Speaker of Assembly
13	Appointed by Senate Rules Committee

Delegates representing the cities in each region elect their Governing Board member. The time has come for the Western Region of the Cities of Los Angeles (LA) County to elect a representative to serve on the Governing Board. Long Beach is 1 of 51 cities in the LA County Western Region. Members of the Governing Board must be City Council Members or Mayors in a city in the region. Judith Mitchell, City Council Member of Rolling Hills Estates, currently serves as the representative of the Western Region; it appears that she does not plan to run for re-election as a Councilperson, so she would not be eligible to sit in the seat representing Long Beach and the other cities, listed below, in the LA County Western Region.

Los Angeles County - Western Region Cities		
Agoura Hills	Hawaiian Gardens	Norwalk
Artesia	Hawthorne	Palos Verdes Estates
Avalon	Hermosa Beach	Paramount
Bell	Hidden Hills	Pico Rivera
Bellflower	Huntington Park	Rancho Palos Verdes
Bell Gardens	Inglewood	Redondo Beach
Beverly Hills	La Habra Heights	Rolling Hills
Calabasas	La Mirada	Rolling Hills Estates
Carson	Lakewood	Santa Fe Springs
Cerritos	Lawndale	Santa Monica
Compton	Lomita	Signal Hill
Commerce	<b>Long Beach</b>	South Gate
Cudahy	Lynwood	Torrance
Culver City	Malibu	Vernon
Downey	Manhattan Beach	West Hollywood
El Segundo	Maywood	Westlake Village
Gardena	Montebello	Whittier

Governing Board elections are administered by the City Selection Committee. State law determines the process, which requires a candidate to receive both a majority of the vote of the cities, as well as a majority of the population of the cities in the region. The Mayor of each city, or their delegate, casts their vote for their preferred candidate.

For consideration as the City of Long Beach nominee for the SCAQMD election process, please confirm your interest with Mayor Robert Garcia **in writing by the end of day on Thursday, September 10, 2020**. If more than one Council Member expresses interest, the City Council will vote to select the City's nominee.

If you have any questions about the process, please contact Tyler Bonanno-Curley, Manager of Government Affairs, at (562) 570-5715.

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