

AGENDA
SONOMA COUNTY CITY
SELECTION COMMITTEE
February 13, 2025 6:00 P.M.

Paradise Ridge Winery, 4545 Thomas Lake Harris Drive

City of Santa Rosa is inviting you to a scheduled in-person meeting.

Topic: Sonoma County City Selection Committee and
Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association

Time: February 13, 2025 6:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Location: Paradise Ridge Winery. 4545 Thomas Lake, Harris Drive, Santa Rosa

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND THIS MEETING IN PERSON

The February 13, 2025, Sonoma County City Selection

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Cloverdale		Petaluma		Sebastopol	
Cotati		Rohnert Park		Sonoma	
Healdsburg		Santa Rosa		Windsor	

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

If members of the public would like to provide public comment, we encourage you to submit them via email to the Deputy Clerk of the Board by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting: kyreen.jorgensen@sonoma-county.org.

DISABLED ACCOMMODATION: If you have a disability which requires an accommodation, an alternative format, or requires another person to assist you while attending this meeting, please contact the Clerk at (707) 565-2241 as soon as possible.

1. BUSINESS ACTIONS

A. Approve the minutes for the City Selection Committee Special Meeting, January 31, 2025

B. Approve the minutes for the City Selection Committee Special Meeting, February 3, 2025

C. Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board

2 year term. One vacancy. City Selection Committee nominates a name, and the appointment is made by the Board of Supervisors.

One letter was received: [Brian Barnacle \(Petaluma\)](#)

D. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District

(2 year term) One vacant slot. City Selection Committee nominates a name, and the appointment is made by the Board of Supervisors.

Two letters were received: [Gerard Giudice \(Rohnert Park\)](#)

[Frank Quint \(Petaluma\)](#)

E. Sonoma County Consolidated Board Oversight Committee

(Unspecified) One vacant slot. City Selection Committee nominates a name, and the appointment is made by the Board of Supervisors.

One letter was received: [Stephen Zollman \(Sebastopol\)](#)

[Jackie Elward \(Rohnert Park\)](#)

2. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn to Mayors and Councilmembers' Association meeting.

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County of Sonoma City Selection Committee

Draft Minutes for January 31, 2024

I. Call to Order – Clerk, Kyreen Jorgensen

2:00 P.M.

Good Afternoon!

I would like to call the meeting to order of the Special Meeting of the Sonoma County City Selection Committee, this Friday, January 31, 2025. Hosted by the City of Rohnert Park, Rohnert Park City Hall Council Chambers, 130 Avram Avenue.

II. Roll Call

May I please have a roll call vote of members present? Please state your name.

City of Cloverdale: Brain Wheeler (Vice Mayor)

City of Cotati: Ben Ford (Mayor)

City of Healdsburg: Chris Herrod (Vice Mayor)

City of Petaluma: Kevin McDonnell (Mayor)

City of Rohnert Park: Gerard Giudice (Mayor)

City of Santa Rosa: Eddie Alvarez (Vice Mayor)

City of Sebastopol: Stephen Zollman (Vice Mayor)

City of Sonoma: Patricia Farrar-Rivas (Mayor)

Town of Windsor: Tanya Potter (Vice Mayor)

III. Public Comment

2:01 P.M. Public Comment Opened.

None

2:01 P.M. Public Comment Closed.

IV. Business

2:01 P.M.

(A) Selection of the Chair of City **Selection Committee 2025** (1 year term)

Nominated Name: Mayor Gerard Giudice (Rohnert Park)

Motion

1st: Mayor Kevin McDonnell (Petaluma)

2nd: Mayor Stephen Zollman (Sebastopol)

Roll Call Vote

City of Cloverdale: yes

City of Cotati: yes

City of Healdsburg: yes

City of Petaluma: yes

City of Rohnert Park: yes

City of Santa Rosa: yes

City of Sebastopol: yes

City of Sonoma: yes

Town of Windsor: yes

Motion is approved.

2:03PM

(B) Selection of the Vice Chair of City **Selection Committee 2025** (1 year term)

Nominated Name: Mayor Mark Stapp (Santa Rosa)

Motion

1st: Mayor Kevin McDonnell (Petaluma)

2nd: Mayor Stephen Zollman (Sebastopol)

Roll Call Vote

City of Cloverdale: yes

City of Cotati: yes

City of Healdsburg: yes

City of Petaluma: yes

City of Rohnert Park: yes

City of Santa Rosa: yes

City of Sebastopol: yes

City of Sonoma: yes

Town of Windsor: yes

Motion is approved

2:04P.M. – Clerk turned meeting over to Chair Giudice

- C. California Coastal Commission** – 2 nominations to the Senate Rules Committee, requires the names of one or more supervisors and one or more mayors or city councilmembers.

- a. Committee members discussed background and process for the request for letters of interest. Mayor Zollman protested moving forward with nominations and committee gave direction to Clerk to confirm deadline from Senate Rules Committee. Committee discussed holding another Special Meeting before the February 3, 2025, deadline for nominations to the Senate Rules Committee.

Motion: None Taken

Adjourn to the Mayors & Councilmembers' Association meeting.

Motion

1st: Mayor Ben Ford (Cotati)

2nd: Mayor Kevin McDonnell (Petaluma)

2:38 P.M Sonoma County City Selection Committee Adjourned

County of Sonoma City Selection Committee

Draft Minutes for February 3, 2024

I. Call to Order

10:02 AM

Good morning!

I would like to call the meeting to order of the Special Meeting of the Sonoma County City Selection Committee, this Monday, February 3, 2025. Hosted by the Sonoma County, 575 Administration Drive, Ste. 104A, Santa Rosa, CA 95403

II. Roll Call

May I please have a roll call vote of members present? Please state your name.

City of Cloverdale: Todd Lands (Mayor)

City of Cotati: Sylvia Lemus (Vice Mayor)

City of Healdsburg: Ariel Kelley (Council Member)

City of Petaluma: Kevin McDonnell (Mayor)

City of Rohnert Park: Gerard Giudice (Mayor)

City of Santa Rosa: Mark Stapp (Mayor)

City of Sebastopol: Stephen Zollman (Vice Mayor)

City of Sonoma: Absent

Town of Windsor: Rosa Reynoza (Mayor)

III. Public Comment

10:03.M. Public Comment Opened.

Janice

10:05 P.M. Public Comment Closed.

IV. Business

10:05 P.M.

- C. California Coastal Commission** – 2 nominations to the Senate Rules Committee, requires the names of one or more supervisors and one or more mayors or city councilmembers.

Four letters were received:

Lynda Hopkins (Sonoma County District 5 Supervisor)

Gerard Giudice (Mayor, City of Rohnert Park)

Ariel Kelley (Council Member, City of Healdsburg)

Stephen Zollman (Mayor, Sebastopol)

Motion: Nomination for Supervisorial Seat

Motion to nominate Lynda Hopkins, District 5, Supervisor

1st: Mayor Kevin McDonnell (Petaluma)

2nd: Vice Mayor Sylvia Lemus (Cotati)

Roll Call Vote

City of Cloverdale: yes

City of Cotati: yes

City of Healdsburg: yes

City of Petaluma: yes

City of Rohnert Park: yes

City of Santa Rosa: yes

City of Sebastopol: Abstain

City of Sonoma: Absent

Town of Windsor: yes

Motion is approved.

Ariel Kelley (Council Member, City of Healdsburg)

Motion: Nomination for Mayors or Council Members

Motion – Nominate all letters received

Gerard Giudice (Mayor, City of Rohnert Park)

Ariel Kelley (Council Member, City of Healdsburg)

Stephen Zollman (Mayor, Sebastopol)

1st: Mayor Gerard Giudice (Rohnert Park)

2nd: Mayor Kevin McDonnell (Petaluma)

10:08 A.M. Discussion

Roll Call Vote

City of Cloverdale: no

City of Cotati: yes

City of Healdsburg: no

City of Petaluma: yes

City of Rohnert Park: yes

City of Santa Rosa: yes

City of Sebastopol: Abstain

City of Sonoma: Absent

Town of Windsor: no

Motion is approved.

Adjourn to the Mayors & Councilmembers' Association meeting.

Motion

1st: Ariel Kelley (Healdsburg)

2nd: Mayor Todd Lands (Cloverdale)

10:20 A.M Sonoma County City Selection Committee Adjourned



CITY OF PETALUMA

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PETALUMA, CA 94953-0061

Brian Barnacle
Councilmember

December 30, 2024

Clerk of the Board
County of Sonoma, Board of Supervisors
575 Administration Dr., Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
Attn: Michelle Norman and Kyreen Gonzalez
Cc: Lauren Berges

Re: Re-appointment to Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors

Dear Sonoma County Mayors and Council Members,

I am writing to ask for your support in re-appointing me to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) Board of Directors.

The last 13 years of my career have been focused on energy, transportation, and buildings policy and program development. My experience with air quality improvement measures includes building and appliance regulations, and electrification of light duty vehicles, first/last-mile delivery, and heavy-duty trucking. I have participated in regulatory processes at the California Public Utilities Commission, Air Resources Board, Housing and Community Development, and Energy Commission, and helped advance climate and clean energy legislation in Sacramento.

In 2020, I ran for a seat on the Petaluma City Council because I truly love local government. Now, after four years of serving on the City Council and two years serving on the BAAQMD Board, I am seeking re-appointment because I want to continue helping reduce emissions and local air pollution throughout Bay Area communities.

In many ways, BAAQMD's work is precedent-setting for our nation. Addressing intersectional issues like environmental, climate, and economic justice requires BAAQMD board members to do what is best for the health of our climate and public, while mitigating concerns about equity, career displacement, the economy, and more. I remain up for this challenge.

As the son of a union carpenter who was raised in a Sonoma County dairy family and today works in climate policy, my life experiences have forced me to see different sides of issues. My diverse background helps me understand and take principled positions on the many complex issues that BAAQMD takes on.

For these reasons, I ask for your support. Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at (707) 373-6414 or by email at bbarnacle@cityofpetaluma.org if you would like to speak more about my interest in this position.

Thank you for your consideration and happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Brian Barnacle

Petaluma City Hall
11 English Street
Petaluma, CA 94952

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Gerard Giudice
Mayor

Emily Sanborn
Vice Mayor

Susan Hollingsworth Adams
Jackie Elward
Samantha Rodriguez
Councilmembers

Marcela Piedra
City Manager

Michelle Marchetta Kenyon
City Attorney

Lee Burdick
Assistant City Attorney

Cindy Bagley
Director of Community Services

Jamie Cannon
Director of Human Resources

Vanessa Garrett
Director of Public Works

Alicia Giudice
Director of
Development Services

Sylvia Lopez Cuevas
City Clerk

Tim Mattos
Public Safety Director

Betsy Howze
Finance Director

January 6, 2025

Clerk of the Board
County of Sonoma, Board of Supervisors
575 Administration Dr, Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Attn: Michelle Norman Michelle.Norman@sonoma-county.org
Karen Gonzalez Kyreen.Gonzalez@sonoma-county.org

Re: Letter of Interest and Request for Re-Appointment to Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District

Dear City Selection Committee,

I respectfully request your support for my reappointment to the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District Board of Directors for an additional two-year term.

Over the past two years, it has been my privilege to represent Sonoma County on the Board. During my tenure, I have actively contributed through my roles on key committees, including the Governmental Affairs and Public Information Committee, the Building and Operating Committee, the Finance-Auditing Committee (including the OPEB Retirement Investment Trust Board), the Suicide Deterrent System Advisory Committee, and the Nomination of Officers of the Board of Directors Advisory Committee. These responsibilities have allowed me to advocate for the community and address critical issues impacting our region.

I am confident that my continued service on the Board will further strengthen our collective efforts in enhancing transportation infrastructure and community engagement. I ask for your support in ensuring the continuation of this work.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss my qualifications further, I can be reached at (707) 899-3087 or via email at ggiudice@rpcity.org. I appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your favorable consideration.

Kind Regards,

Gerard Giudice
Mayor, City of Rohnert Park

Signed by:


Cc: Rohnert Park City Council and City Manager
Cc: Lauren Berges, scmcacclerk@gmail.com

January 16, 2025

Clerk of the Board
County of Sonoma, Board of Supervisors
575 Administration Dr., Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Re: Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District Letter of Interest

Honorable Sonoma County Supervisors,

I write to respectfully request your support for my appointment to the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District Board. I firmly support the District's mission to provide safe and reliable operation, maintenance and enhancement of the Golden Gate Bridge and to provide congestion free transportation services within the U.S. Highway 101 Golden Gate Corridor.

My diverse background and passion for public transportation gives me a unique perspective that will serve this board well. I've served on Petaluma's Transit Advisory Committee since 2023 (Chair for past 6 months). I also served simultaneously on Petaluma's Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee and was the Vice Chair of this committee during this same time. My terms on these committees ended when I recently won my election to Petaluma's City Council, at which time I was re-appointed to both committees as the council liaison. During this time, I have championed Petaluma Transit's free ride program, Luma Go, and Micro-Transit. I've also contributed and supported the ongoing work to renew Petaluma's ATP.

I hold a BA in Accounting and an MBA from Saint Martin's University in Lacey Washington.

My professional background is in supply chain transportation. I've held key leadership positions for companies like Target and my current employer RH (formerly Restoration Hardware). I understand what it takes to move products around the globe but I'm particularly adept in domestic US trucking and intermodal (rail) services. I've also run a mid-sized California based trucking company. While my expertise in supply chain transportation isn't the same as public transportation, there is crossover, and it offers me a useful and unique perspective. I fully understand our nation's highway and rail systems and their challenges.

Lastly, I'm passionate about climate change, I believe climate change is an existential threat, and I believe one of the most important things we should be working on is effective alternatives to driving. Developing work opportunities closer to where people live, developing communities around transit corridors and developing effective alternatives for people to move through their communities without depending on automobiles is crucial. I am excited to join the Petaluma City Council, and I am committed to making this community more transit-oriented and would enjoy an opportunity to work on this issue regionally.

I would be honored by your support for this appointment and respectfully ask for your vote. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 707-971-9226 or by email at fquint@cityofpetaluma.org

Sincerely,



Frank Quint
Petaluma City Council member

cc: Members of Petaluma City Council

January 6, 2025



City Council

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Clerk of the Board
County of Sonoma, Board of Supervisors
575 Administration Dr., Room 100A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
Attn: Michelle Norman, Michelle.Norman@sonoma-county.org and
Kyreen Gonzalez, Kyreen.Gonzalez@sonoma-county.org

Re: Request for Appointment to the Sonoma County Consolidated Oversight Board Letter of Interest

Dear Selection Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Sonoma County Consolidated Oversight Board to fill the vacancy left by Chris Rogers of Santa Rosa.

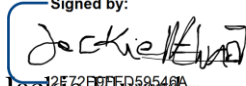
Since being elected in 2020, I have had the privilege of serving my community in several capacities, including one term as Mayor and one term as Vice Mayor. These leadership roles have allowed me to develop a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our region, as well as the importance of collaborative decision-making.

In addition to my municipal leadership, I served on the North Bay Division of the League of California Cities (LOCC) Executive Board for two years and on the Sonoma Clean Power Board of Directors (SCP). I have also served on the Homeless Coalition Board (formerly the Sonoma County Continuum of Care Board) for two consecutive years.

I am passionate about contributing to the continued success of Sonoma County through thoughtful oversight and collaboration. I am confident that my leadership experience, regional perspective, and dedication to public service make me a strong candidate for this position.

Thank you for considering my application. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions at (707) 588-2223, or by email at jelward@rpcity.org.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

Jackie Elward

City of Rohnert Park

Cc: City Council
City Manager
City Clerk
Cc: Lauren Berges, scmcacclerk@gmail.com



Stephen Zollman
Mayor

City of Sebastopol
7120 Bodega Avenue
Sebastopol, CA 95472
www.cityofsebastopol.gov

January 13, 2015

Attn: Michelle Norman, Kyreen Gonzalez
Clerk of the Board
County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors

Re: Consolidated Oversight Board

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am excited to be applying for this primary consolidated oversight board position.

For the last two years, I have served as the alternate to this board as it fulfills its purpose of overseeing the dissolution of former redevelopment successor agencies. This work involves appointees from County Board of Supervisor, County Superintendent of Education, Chancellor of the California Colleges, the city selection committee and an employee organization representing the largest number of successor employees in the county. My work as the Mayors and Council Member Associations' appointee to the Childcare Planning council, a part of our Office of Education, along with familiarity with various colleges has helped my understanding of this process.

As the primary, I will bring my statewide experience from having served on the Cal Cities revenue and taxation policy committee, two years of city council budget committee experience and my legal understanding of the fiduciary duties owing to holders of enforceable obligations and taxing entities. Additionally, I have engaged with the assigned staff and have a great relationship with them.

I would be honored to be appointed to this position and help the board fulfill its mission.