

ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

August 14, 2018

Honorable Members of the City Council c/o City Clerk City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Ms. Irene Tovar to the Human Relations Commission for the term ending June 30, 2022. Ms. Tovar's current term expired on June 30, 2018.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Tovar is qualified for the work that will devolve upon her, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

**ERIC GÁRCETTI** 

Mayor

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Attachment

#### **COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM**

Name: Irene Tovar

**Commission:** Human Relations Commission

**End of Term:** 6/30/2022

### **Appointee Information**

1. Race/ethnicity: Latina

2. Gender: Female

3. Council district and neighborhood of residence: 7 - North Valley

4. Are you a registered voter? Yes

**5. Prior commission experience:** Human Relations Commission

**6. Highest level of education completed:** B.A., California State University,

Northridge

7. Occupation/profession: CEO, Latin American Civic Association

8. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment: See attached resume

**9. Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment

10. Current composition of the commission:

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Term End
Dela Cruz-Viesca, Melany	South Valley	4	Asian Pacific Islander	F	30-Jun-20
Herr, James	East LA	13	Asian Pacific Islander	М	30-Jun-20
Khalsa, Nirinjan S.	West	5	Other	м	30-Jun-20
Morgan-Greene, Courtney	South LA	10	African American	F	30-Jun-20
Solis-Moreno, Angelica	East LA	14	Latina	F	30-Jun18
Rothman, Mark	Central	10	Caucasian	м	30-Jun-18
Ramirez, Marco	East LA	14	Latino	M	30-Jun-18
Railliez, Maico		14			
Tovar, Irene	North Valley	7	Latina	F	30-Jun-18

## **IRENE TOVAR**

#### **EDUCATION**

- California State University at Northridge, Master in Public Administration (earned 9 units) in progress
- California State University, Northridge, Bachelor of Arts, 1969
- Los Angeles Valley College, Association of Arts, 1960

## **EMPLOYMENT**

- CEO, Latin American Civic Association, April 1993-present
- Member, Public Employment Relation Board, January 1981-1985
- President and Vice-President, State Personnel Board, January 1974-1979
- Special Assistant to Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., 1978-1981
- California State University at Northridge Community Coordinator, 1968-1971

# **CIVIC INVOVLEMENT**

- Member, Los Angeles Mission College Community Advisory Council, 1976-present
- President, California State University of Northridge Alumni Association, 2002-2004; member 2002-present
- Chair, Los Angeles City Proposition Q Citizens Oversight Committee for Public Safety; member 2002-present
- Member, Comision Femenil of San Fernando Valley Chapter, 1998-present
- California Democratic Party Delegate for AB 39, 2013
- Member, three Los Angeles Mission College President Selection Committees and one for California State University, Northridge 2012-2013
- California State University, Northridge Enrollment Management Advisory Group, 2009-2011
- Chair, Los Angeles Mission College Prop A Citizens Oversight Committee, 2001-2004
- Past Commissioner, Los Angeles City Redistricting Commission, 2001-2002
- Past Member, Los Angeles Police Department Christopher Commission Reform Task Force, 1996-1998
- Past Member, Rebuild L.A. Board of Directors, 1992-1997
- Past Vice Chair, Pacoima Coordinating Council, 1992-1993
- Past member, Latino Advisory Committee to LAPD Chief Bernard Parks, 1992
- Past Board Member, United Way (NECAP Past Co-Chair, Human Services Committee), 1989-1992
- Past member, National Women Political Caucus, Valley Chapter, 1976-90
- Past President and Vice President, Los Angeles City Civil Service Commission, 1973-1976
- State of California Advisory Commission on Compensatory Education, 1968-1970
- Los Angeles County Human Relation Mexican American Education Committee, 1965-67
- President, Latin American Civic Association, 1965-1967
- Past member, Pacoima Enterprise Zone

#### **AWARDS**

- Los Angeles City Council Outstanding Woman Award, 2013
- "Community Service Award," Los Angeles Community College Board of Trustees, March 10, 2004
- "Adelante Eagle Award," June 23, 2001
- "Pioneer Women" Los Angeles City Council March 30, 2001
- Distinguished Alumni Award, California State University, Northridge, 2000
- Woman of the Year, Cornision Femenil, 1999
- KLVE 107.5 FM, KSCA 101.9 FM, and sister talk station 1020 AM Feria de la Mujer (Women's Fair) "Outstanding Latina of the Year" Award, February 14, 1999
- Los Angeles Times "Newsmaker for 1999"
- Woman of the Year Los Angeles County Commission on the Status of Women, 1998
- The Cuauhtemoc Award, USC "El Centro Chicano," March 28,1998
- California State University, Northridge School of Social and Behavioral Science, Alumna of the Year 1997, May, 1997
- Vista L.A., Channel 7, "Outstanding Latina," July, 1997
- Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Dr. Ruth Temple Award, 1995
- Women of the Year Awards, 1977-1983

Hispanic Women Council

G.I. Forum

Latin American Civic Association (Women's Auxiliary)

- California Assembly Commendation, Community Service, 1981
- Congressional Commendation, Community Service, 1980
- Chicano Advocates for Fair Employment, Affirmative Action Award, 1980
- Los Angeles City Council President's Civic Award, 1979
- Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, Employment Award, 1977
- Los Angeles City Employee Chicano Association Recognition Award, 1975
- I.M.A.G.E. Employment and Affirmative Action Award, 1975

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Founder, Los Angeles Mission College
- Co-founder, Latin American Civic Association
- Founder, San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Legal Services
- Special Assistant to Governor Assisted in the largest appointment of Chicanos and Chicanas to major State Boards and Commissions, including Justice Cruz Reynoso, the first Chicano to the California Supreme Court
- Creator and organizer of the First Governor's Chicana Issues Conference in 1980 with 2,000
   Chicanas attending at University of Southern California
- Administered the federal Headstart program for 1400 low-income preschoolers, reorganized the
  program to meet the federal standards, removing it from "risk management." The California
  State Department of Education gave it the "Best Child Care Food Program of the Year, 2005.
- While President of CSUN Alumni Association, created "First Generation Scholarship."



ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

August 14, 2018

Dear Ms. Tovar:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby reappoint you to the Human Relations Commission for the term ending June 30, 2022. In order to complete the process as quickly as possible, there are several steps that must be taken, many of which require visiting City Hall. If you require parking during these procedures, please call Claudia Luna in my Office at (213) 978-0621 to make arrangements for you.

To begin the reappointment process, please review, sign and return the enclosed Remuneration Form, Undated Separation Forms, Background Check Release and Information Sheet **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to ensuring the most efficient, open and accountable City government possible.

As part of the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Monica Rodriguez, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo, the Chair of the Immigrant Affairs, Civil Rights, and Equity Committee, to answer any questions they may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your reappointment will be considered by the Immigrant Affairs, Civil Rights, and Equity Committee. Some time thereafter, you will be notified by the committee clerk when your reappointment will be presented to the full City Council for confirmation. Once you are confirmed, you will be required to take the oath of office in the City Clerk's Office in Room 395 of City Hall. Claudia Luna will assist you during the confirmation process if you have questions.

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If you move at any point during your term, have any changes in your telephone numbers, or in the future plan to resign (resignation must be put in writing), please contact my office immediately.

Congratulations and thank you for agreeing to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

ERIC GÁRCETTI

Mayor

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Attachment I Ms. Irene Tovar August 14, 2018

# **Nominee Check List**

# I. Within seven days:

	Mail or email the following forms to: Claudia Luna, Office of the Mayor, City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or email: Claudia.Luna@lacity.org
	Remuneration Form
	Undated Separation Forms
	Background Check Release
	Commissioner Information Sheet/Voluntary Statistics
II.	As soon as possible, the Mayor's Office will schedule a meeting with you and:
	Your City Councilmember Monica Rodriguez
	Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination
	Staff in the Mayor's Office of Legislative and External Affairs will assist you with these arrangements.