

ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

June 9, 2014

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

Re:

Extension of Appointment of Interim General Manager, Los Angeles Housing and

Community Investment Department: Mr. Rushmore Cervantes

Honorable Members:

Under City Charter Section 508 (c), I am hereby submitting to the Council for approval a request to extend the period of time during which the position of the Interim General Manager, Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA), may be filled by temporary appointment. The current temporary appointment for Mr. Rushmore Cervantes will expire on July 1, 2014. As permitted by Charter Section 508 (c), I am requesting an extension of six months.

Attached please find a copy of Mr. Cervantes' resume, which provides greater detail about his experience. I am confident that Mr. Cervantes will continue to do an outstanding job as the Interim General Manager for the HCIDLA. I look forward to your favorable consideration of the extension of the current interim appointment.

Sincerely

ERIC GARCETTI

Mayor

EG:mm

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Gilbert Cedillo, Chair, Housing Committee

Miguel Santana, CAO

Maggie Whelan, Personnel Department

Maritta Aspen, Office of the CAO Heather Holt, Ethics Commission Holly Wolcott, Interim City Clerk Gerry Miller, CLA

Phyllis Lynes, Personnel Department Errol Griffin, Office of the CAO

Shannon Prior, Ethics Commission General Managers' Association



EXPERIENCE

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - Housing Department

7/09 - Present

Executive Officer- Manage, plan and direct all activities and operations of the department to support safe and livable neighborhoods through the promotion, development and preservation of decent and affordable housing. Major functions include: homeownership & preservation, administration of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund & Permanent Supportive Housing Program, policy & planning, bond issuances, Systematic Code Inspection Program, administration of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance, portfolio management, housing services, billing & collections, and more. Have extensive interaction with the various stakeholders, including elected officials, developers, tenant advocates and apartment owners. Also serve on the City's Joint Labor-Management Benefits Committee.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - Office of the City Controller

8/06 - 6/09

Chief Deputy Controller / Acting City Controller – Was responsible for planning, organizing, directing, and managing all activities and operations of the Controller's office. Major Citywide functions include: revenue forecasting and tracking, payroll, accounting, financial reporting, Internal Revenue Service tax filings, payment approval / demand audit, Internal Control and Certification Program, the waste, fraud & abuse unit and financial and performance audits. Served as joint administrator for the implementation of a Citywide Enterprise Resource Planning system and was a member of the Mayor's Financial Advisory Cabinet.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - El Pueblo Historical Monument

5/04 – 8/06

General Manager – Was responsible for planning, organizing, directing, and managing all activities and operations of the Monument and its employees. Major activities included historic preservation, educational promotion, property management, lease negotiations, event planning, marketing and working closely with various City Departments to implement capital improvement projects. In addition, I implemented new policies and procedures that streamlined Department operations and increased revenue.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - Department of Aging

3/00 - 5/04

Assistant General Manager & Interim General Manager - Was responsible for ensuring the Department's efficient operation, including Citywide senior service program planning and monitoring, internal administration, and the evaluation staff engaged in providing services to senior citizens. Provided technical and policy advice to the Mayor and City Council and represent the City before many public forums on matters affecting senior citizen affairs.

Administered all departmental functions, including fiscal, program planning, program monitoring, direct services, systems, administration, personnel and the evaluation of staff engaged in providing services to seniors and caregivers.

Exercised considerable independent judgment and discretion in managing the affairs of the department. Developed and implemented short and long-range goals and objectives affecting services and operations as well as direct the preparation and administration of the annual department budget and Consolidated Plan proposals.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - City Administrative Officer 11/98 - 3/00

Senior Management Analyst – Team leader for the administration of all state and federal disaster grants for the City. This included coordinating the efforts of five CAO staff members to work with numerous departments to; prepare project requests, file appeals, submit funding requests, develop department Memorandums of Understanding and track all City projects funded with disaster grant funds. Interacted with the Mayor and Council offices on politically sensitive projects. Also worked with state and federal representatives to facilitate the disaster grant process. The underlying function of this section was to secure the maximum amount of disaster grants for the City.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - City Administrative Officer

10/95 - 11/98

Administrative Analyst – Compiled and analyzed information, prepared written reports with recommendations for the Mayor and Council review. Provided indepth fiscal and policy analysis of economic and service programs for various granted-funded City departments including the Departments of Housing, Community Development, and Aging. In addition, I reviewed budget proposals from grant-funded departments and made recommendations on budget and revenue estimates, policy related matters, requests for personnel authority and pay-grades, contract proposals, appropriations and other fiscal matters.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - General Services Department 12/94 - 10/95

Procurement Analyst – Reviewed requisitions for commodities & services, prepared bid requests and edited specifications for written bids. Coordinated and conducted pre-bid, bid opening, & pre-award meetings with City engineers, contract compliance representatives and perspective bidders. Analyzed bid proposals and awarded contracts for informal, formal and annual contracts. Contracts ranged from \$500 to multi-million dollar contracts.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES - Department of Water & Power

6/93 - 12/94

Buyer – Reviewed requisitions for commodities & services, prepared invitations & specifications for written bids. Obtained telephone quotes for smaller dollar requests.

EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY, Thousand Oaks

Bachelor of Arts Degree - Business Administration