



ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

November 23, 2016

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Mr. Raul Claros to the Affordable Housing Commission for the term ending June 30, 2021. Mr. Claros will fill the vacancy created by Pete Navarro, who has resigned.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Claros is qualified for the work that will devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

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Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Raul Claros
Commission: Affordable Housing Commission
End of Term: 6/30/2021

Appointee Information

- 1. Race/ethnicity:** Latino
- 2. Gender:** Male
- 3. Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 1 - Central
- 4. Are you a registered voter?** Yes
- 5. Prior commission experience:** Police Permit Review Panel
- 6. Highest level of education completed:** B.A., California State University, Dominguez Hills
- 7. Occupation/profession:** Executive Director, American Red Cross Northern Valleys Chapter
- 8. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
- 9. Purpose of this appointment:** Replacement
- 10. Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Term End
Abe, Melanie	South Valley	3	Asian Pacific Islander	F	30-Jun-18
Fondation, Lawrence	East Los Angeles	4	Caucasian	M	30-Jun-19
Lopez, Oswaldo "Ozzie"	East LA	14	Latino	M	30-Jun-19
Epps, William Saxe	Central	9	African American	M	30-Jun-19
Pak, Ben	North Valley	12	Asian Pacific Islander	M	30-Jun-20
Sotelo, Dalila	Central	14	Latina	F	30-Jun-17

Raul Claros

Profile

Extensive organizational management experience in community and political organizing, and volunteer development. Successfully built political capital in under-served communities; executed comprehensive community campaigns and needs assessments; and developed and implemented youth programs for at-risk youth. Oversaw service areas of 250,000 constituents, assessing their needs and prioritizing city and state services. Executed local public affairs, council reputation, brand marketing and public education campaigns for government and non-profit sectors.

Professional Experience

American Red Cross Northern Valleys Chapter

Executive Director

May 2016-Present

- Successfully developed the Pacoima Coalition and Van Nuys Coalition on emergency preparedness
- Responsible for managing the chapter board and its fundraising goal of \$25,000 per fiscal year
- Cultivated & managed partnerships across the Northern Valleys Chapter with multiple sector partners
- Successfully executed media relations in the Northern Valleys Chapter in both English & Spanish

Office of Los Angeles City Council President Herb Wesson

Deputy

May 2015-May 2016

- Serve as the lead Council President Representative to Koreatown, North Harvard Heights, Country Club, Western Heights and Mid-City on all issues related to quality of life, public safety, emergency preparedness & resiliency, homelessness, and development;
- Serve as lead Council President liaison to all city departments;
- Successfully secured Council President support to partner with the American Red Cross, LA Region to strategize, organize, and recruit coalition partners to implement an unprecedented community resiliency organizing strategy that resulted in a diverse coalition of grassroots leaders that currently comprise the Koreatown Community Resiliency Coalition (Coalition);
- Successfully spearheaded volunteer recruitment efforts that led to a diverse pool of Red Cross volunteers, including 6 Red Cross Community Ambassadors to lead the coalition;
- Serve as Red Cross Community Ambassador and lead government partner in the Coalition;
- Successfully developed and leveraged partnerships with diverse constituencies (faith-based, labor, business, education, youth, seniors, housing, community-based, homeless, health, civil rights, entertainment, and media) to successfully organize: Press conference for American Red Cross Coalition launch and Home Fire Safety Campaign, Special Olympics Final Leg Torch Run, LA Chamber of Commerce/Western Union Small Business Breakfast, Oaxaca Corridor designation (partial list).

Community Harvest Foundation

Director of Community & Government Affairs

September 2010-January 2015

- Managed a portfolio of 5 grants worth \$2.5M (LA 84 Foundation Grant, Community Development Block Grant, Ahmanson Foundation, Weingart Foundation, U.S. Department of Education);
- Served as senior advisor to the Board of Directors and liaison to LAUSD, City of LA, and all government offices;
- Responsible for overseeing charter school petitions to LAUSD, City grants, media relations, execution of wraparound services, MOUs with City of L.A., and volunteer recruitment and training.

New Designs Charter School

Athletic Director

August 2010-June 2012

- Managed the day-to-day facility operations, including game schedules, trainings, and certifications (First Aid, CPR, and professional development);
- Managed a staff of 26 coaches, including hiring, training, and performance evaluations;
- Successfully increased the annual fund to \$60,000 to cover entire department budget;
- Served as LAUSD and California Interscholastic Federation compliance officer, monitored academic and graduation requirements, and student and parent code of conduct.

Raul Claros

Office of California State Assemblyman Mike Davis

Field Representative

June 2009-August 2010

- Served as the liaison to USC-Exposition Park, Pico-Union, and Koreatown communities;
- Cultivated and managed community partnerships with diverse sectors that increased civic and community engagement;
- Oversaw special projects (4th Annual Small Business Breakfast, 48th Assembly District Latino Community Advisory Council) and served as Project Director of the El Salvador Corridor designation.

Community Harvest Charter School

Athletic Director

July 2004– May 2009

- Managed day-to-day facility operations, including game schedules, trainings, and certifications (First Aid, CPR, and professional development);
- Successfully increased annual fund to \$50,000 to cover entire department budget;
- Managed a staff of 24 coaches, including hiring, training, and performance evaluations;
- Served as LAUSD and California Interscholastic Federation compliance officer, monitored academic and graduation requirements, and student and parent code of conduct.

Community Engagement

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| • L.A. City Commissioner, LAPD Permit Review Panel | 2014- 2015 |
| • Board Member, Pico Union Neighborhood Council | 2010-2012 |
| • Vice President, Pico Union Neighborhood Council | 2010-2011 |
| • Founder & President, Latino Coalition of Los Angeles PAC | 2009-2015 |
| • Founder & President, University Little League | 2008-2015 |
| • Founder & Director, Life Skills Sports Academy | 2007-2014 |
| • Founder & President, MLK Park Advisory Board | 2008-2013 |
| • Founding Vice President, LAPD Olympic Booster Association | 2008- 2009 |

Education

California State University, Dominguez Hills, B.A., Physical Education, 2005



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Mr. Raul Claros

Dear Mr. Claros:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Affordable Housing Commission for the term ending June 30, 2021. 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 appointment 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. Further, Mayor's Office policy requires you to be fingerprinted as part of the background check that is done on all potential Commissioners. To do so, please bring this letter to the Background Unit of Employment Services Division, Personnel Department Building, 700 East Temple Street, Room 235, Los Angeles, California 90012. The division phone number is (213) 473-9343. Fingerprints must be taken **within three working days** from the **receipt** of this letter.

Under separate cover you will be receiving a packet from the City Ethics Commission containing information about the City's conflict of interest laws and a copy of the State Form 700/Statement of Economic Interests. You are required to complete and return this form **within 21 days** of your nomination to the City Ethics Commission, 200 North Spring Street, City Hall, 24th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any inquiries regarding this form should be directed to Nicole Enriquez at the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960.

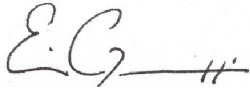
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As part of the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Gilbert Cedillo, your Councilmember, and the Chair of the Housing Committee, to answer any questions he may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Housing Committee. Sometime thereafter, you will be notified by the committee clerk when your appointment 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.

Commissioners must be residents of the City of Los Angeles. 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,

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Attachment I
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Nominee Check List

I. Within three days:

_____ **Get fingerprinted to complete a background check.**
No appointment is necessary. Bring the Mayor's letter to:
Background Unit of Employment Services Division, Personnel
Department Building, 700 East Temple Street, Room 235, Los Angeles,
California 90012. Phone: (213) 473-9343.

II. Within seven days:

Mail, fax or email the following forms to: Legislative Coordinator, Office of the Mayor, Office of Intergovernmental Relations, 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**

III. Within 21 days:

File the following forms with the City Ethics Commission. *If you are required to file, you will receive these forms via email from that office.*

_____ **Statement of Economic Interest ("Form 700")**
IMPORTANT: The City Council will not consider your nomination until your completed form is reviewed by the Ethics Commission.

_____ **CEC Form 60**

IV. As soon as possible, the Mayor's Office will schedule a meeting with you and:

_____ **Your City Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo**

Staff in the Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Relations will assist you with these arrangements.