

ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

December 9, 2013

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Ms. Maria Lou Calanche to the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Board of Commissioners for the term ending June 6, 2015. Ms. Calanche will fill the vacancy created by Curtis L. Fralin, who has been withdrawn from consideration.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Calanche 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 GARCETTI
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Maria Lou Calanche
Commission: Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Board of Commissioners
End of Term: June 6, 2015

Appointee Information

1. **Race/ethnicity:** Latina
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 1 - East Los Angeles
4. **Are you a registered voter?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:** El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument Authority
6. **Highest level of education completed:** M.P.A., University of Southern California
7. **Occupation/profession:** Founder and Executive Director, Legacy LA; Political Science Assistant Professor, East Los Angeles College
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	Appointment Date	Term Ends
Fralin, Curtis L. - PENDING	West LA	5	African American	M	04-Feb-13	06-Jun-15
Freeman, Kimberly	West LA	8	African American	F	10-Jun-11	06-Jun-13
Garr, Margarita C.	South LA	8	African American	F	30-Apr-08	06-Jun-13
Hernandez, Dennis	West LA	11	Latino	M	10-Jun-11	06-Jun-14
Hooper, Lucelia K.	Harbor	15	African American	F	15-Aug-08	06-Jun-14
Hudson, Paul	Central	4	African American	M	14-Mar-13	06-Jun-16
Lopez, Daisy	East LA	14	Latina	F	26-Aug-11	06-Jun-13

MARIA LOU CALANCHE

EDUCATION

Doctor of Public Administration UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA *Pending completion of dissertation Dissertation topic: Evaluation of citizen participation on municipal land use policy	ABD 2009* LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
Master of Public Administration UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Specialization: Public policy, inter-governmental management	1995 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY	1992 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

EXPERIENCE

Political Science Assistant Professor EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE Introduced lower division students to the legislative and political processes of government. Utilize textbook, current events, professional experience and students' experience to develop interactive lectures and class assignments to provide students an understanding of the dynamics of the political environment. Seek to increase students' understanding on how competing interests; social, economic, cultural and political forces influence the development and implementation of public policy.	1998 - Present
Founder and Executive Director LEGACY LA Direct and manage the development of grassroots start-up nonprofit organization focused on the transformation of an abandoned federal armory into a state-of-the-art youth development facility. Initiate and lead community-planning process through the implementation of community engagement strategies including community planning committee, focus groups, youth summits and retreats, and community events. Work with Advisory Board and Director of Development to define strategic partnerships and opportunities and development of capital campaign. Supervise staff and manage day-to-day operations including community relations to ensure community participation in the development of the project.	2008 - present
Principal Consultant NEW URBAN NETWORKS CONSULTING Lead and facilitate community and program development through project planning, evaluation, grant writing, and effective implementation strategies. Develop community engagement strategies for clients seeking stakeholder participation in programs, conduct trainings and retreats, coordination of community participation processes. Assist in project and community planning through the development of customized and effective strategies for clients by working with appropriate municipal agencies to develop the most effective roadmap by tailoring plans to meet individual client needs as well as benefit the overall local environment. Clients include:	2001 - 2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Families in Schools, Parent Outreach Pamphlet■ Estrada Courts Resident Management Corporation, School Readiness Initiative■ Murchison St. School. School Community Safety Grant	

Director of Community Outreach

1999 - 2001

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Developed university community outreach strategy for neighborhoods surrounding USC Health Sciences Campus, including close coordination with existing outreach efforts and working with community based organizations to develop new partnerships. Evaluated programs in terms of strategic focus, cost, and impact. Researched and identified community needs, and recommended program modifications or the creation of new programs and services. Directed the design and delivery of programs, services and special events. Managed the operation and implementation of program policies and procedures including fiscal responsibilities and staff supervision.

Senior Field Deputy

1995 - 1998

COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD ALATORRE, CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Managed day to day operations of Boyle Heights Field Office. Evaluated and developed recommendation on proposed legislation and proposed development projects. Interfaced with all levels of City staff and constituents to coordinate and ensure effective implementation of community development projects and to ensure equitable and efficient delivery of city services and resources. Worked with various community groups, merchants and city staff to identify and prioritize community issues, and formulate and develop city policies and programs to respond to identified issues. Projects include but not limited to the following:

- Metro-Rail "Eastside" Extension
- Economic Development (CRA Study)
- Crime Prevention-Gang Intervention Programs
- Neighborhood Recovery Program
- Targeted Neighborhood Initiative

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Federation of Teachers, Los Angeles Faculty Guild 1521

Member, 2001 - present

El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument

Commissioner, City of Los Angeles, 2001 - 2006

City of Los Angeles Construction Services Committee

Committee Member, City of Los Angeles, 2005 - 2009

Community Redevelopment Agency Project Area Committee - Adelante Eastside Project

Committee Member, City of Los Angeles, 2001

Prop K Neighborhood Oversight Committee

Committee Member, City of Los Angeles, 2000 - 2001

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

UNITED LATINO FUND
Board of Directors, Member
2005 - present

LOS ANGELES CHILDCARE AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Board of Directors, Member
2001 - 2010

EAST LA COMMUNITY CORPORATION
Board of Directors, Vice President
1996 - 2003

LAPD HOLLENBECK DIVISION COMMUNITY POLICE ADVSORY BOARD
Chairperson
1998 - 2001

DEBS PARK COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD
Secretary
1998 - 1999

EAST LOS ANGELES OCCUPATIONAL CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
Member
1998

RECOGNITIONS & AWARDS

Woman of the Year for the 45th Assembly District
ASSEMBLYMEMBER KEVIN DE LEON
2010

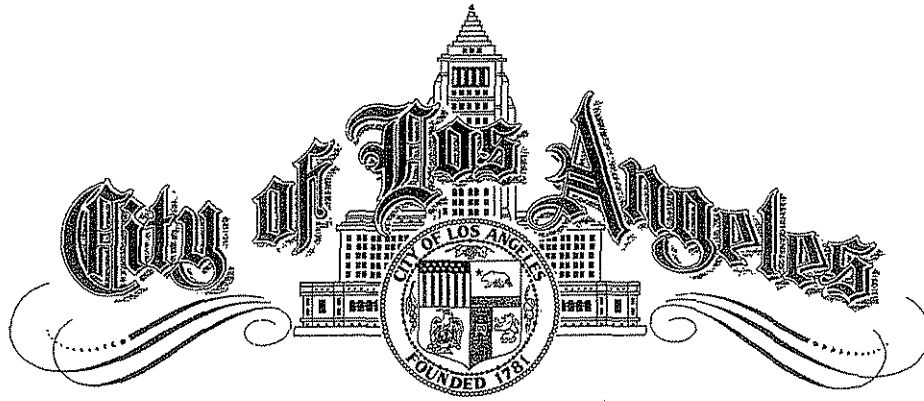
Unsung Hero Award
MADRES DEL ESTE DE LOS ANGELES
1997

Volunteer of the Year
LAPD HOLLENBECK DIVISION
2000

Honorary Deputy Fire Chief
LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT
1999

Recognition Award
SOTO STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS
1997

Community Recognition Award
LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS
1998



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MAYOR

December 9, 2013

Ms. Maria Lou Calanche

Dear Ms. Calanche:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Board of Commissioners for the term ending June 6, 2015. 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 Justin Gonzalez in my Office at (213) 300-9935 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 Shannon Prior 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. Some time 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. Julie Ciardullo with the Mayor's staff 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Garcetti". The signature is stylized and cursive.

ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor

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Attachment I
Ms. Maria Lou Calanche
December 9, 2013

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: Julie Ciardullo, Office of the Mayor,
Office of External Affairs, City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
or fax: 213-978-9719 or email: julie.ciardullo@lacity.org.

- _____ **Remuneration Form**
- _____ **Undated Separation Forms**
- _____ **Background Check Release**
- _____ **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 in the mail 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.
- _____ **Residence Verification Form**

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

_____ **Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo, your Councilmember and Chair of
the Council Committee considering your nomination (contact at 213-
473-7001).**

Staff in the Mayor's Office of External Affairs will assist you with these
arrangements.