



ERIC GARCETTI  
MAYOR

April 16, 2014

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

Re: Extension of Appointment of Interim City Engineer: Ms. Deborah Weintraub

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 City Engineer, may be filled by temporary appointment. The current temporary appointment for Ms. Deborah Weintraub will expire on May 10, 2014. As permitted by Charter Section 508 (c), I am requesting an extension of six months.

Attached please find a copy of Ms. Weintraub's resume, which provides greater detail about her experience. I am confident that Ms. Weintraub will continue to do an outstanding job as the Interim City Engineer. I look forward to your favorable consideration of the extension of her current interim appointment.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

EG:mm

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Joe Buscaino, Chair, Public Works and Gang Reduction 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

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*Summary of Capabilities*

Responsive leadership for the design and delivery of outstanding architectural and engineering projects, the ability to galvanize and direct teams of diverse professionals, management of a large technical organization, excellent written and oral abilities, and specialized knowledge in environmentally sensitive, sustainable design.

*Architectural License*

New York License Number 017216-1  
Granted October 29, 1984  
Inactive

California License Number C-19601  
Granted November 23, 1988  
Active

*Professional Experience*

**2008-Present Chief Deputy City Engineer**

Bureau of Engineering, City of Los Angeles  
Oversight of the Bureau's Bridge Program, the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Viaduct Program, Bond Programs for Police and Fire, Recreation and Cultural Facilities Program, Municipal Facilities Program, Zoo Facilities Program, Los Angeles River Revitalization Project Office, and the Project Award and Control Division.  
Participant in the annual budget development for the Bureau's 700 employees.  
Executive oversight of the Bureau's "Green" building program.  
Coordination with the Mayor's office, Council offices, and executives of other City departments.

**2008 Acting Chief Deputy City Engineer**

Bureau of Engineering, City of Los Angeles  
Oversight of the Bureau's Bond Programs, Recreation and Cultural Facilities Program, Administration Division, Project Award and Control Division, and Systems Division.  
Direct support to the City Engineer on all City, Bureau and other issues.

**2004-2008 Deputy City Engineer**

Architecture and Engineering Consulting Services Groups  
Bureau of Engineering, City of Los Angeles  
Responsible for 350 core technical and professional staff in divisions covering architecture, landscape architecture, structural engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, geotechnical engineering, standards, civil engineering, surveying, construction management, environmental documentation, and real estate acquisition. Responsible for the Bureau's River Project Office.

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Participation in the internal workload analysis and the annual budget submittal to the Mayor of the Bureau's \$80 M operating budget.  
Management of personnel issues for core technical groups.  
Close work with the offices of the Mayor, City Council, and other senior City officials.  
Oversight of the Municipal Facilities Program, the General Engineering Program, and the Storm Damage Repair Program.  
Oversight of 1.5 million square feet of LEED projects totaling close to \$1 B, including office space, fire stations, police stations, libraries, animal care facilities, and community centers.

Sample Projects:

- Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan: Master Plan for the 32 miles of the River within the City of Los Angeles – Winner of the 2008 AIA National Honor Award for Urban Design
- Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan implementation, including grant development, new governance structures, project formulation, contractual issues, and monthly reporting to Council and Mayor's office
- Collaboration with the Army Corps of Engineers for their Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study
- Bridges including the North Spring Street Bridge, the Riverside Bridge, and the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge
- The new Police Administration Building
- Pre-design conceptualization for a new 500,000 square foot City office building
- South Los Angeles Neighborhood City Hall – LEED Silver and first City project with a vegetated roof
- Pacoima Neighborhood City Hall – LEED Certified
- The Pachyderm Exhibit at the Los Angeles Zoo
- The Reptile and Insect Exhibit at the Los Angeles Zoo
- Olvera Street Upgrades and the Placita de Dolores, historical site
- Siqueiros Mural Viewing Platform and Interpretive Center, Olvera Street
- North Atwater Park: Restoration of a seasonal stream and new Riverfront open space
- Potrero Canyon: A new 48 acre naturalized park ascending from Pacific Coast Highway in the Palisades
- Harbor Animal Care Facility – LEED Certified
- Tenant Improvements for the new 500,000 square foot Public Works building
- Master planning for consolidated maintenance yards – North Central & Harbor
- Federally reimbursable storm damage repair of bulkheads and roads

Other Responsibilities:

- Contributor to the Mayor's Green Building Task Force
- Bureau of Engineering representation at the Board of Public Works, at Council Committees, and at City Council, as required
- Interaction with staff of the County of Los Angeles, California Senators, Congressmen, and State Assembly and Senate members

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- Analysis of scope, budgets and schedules for proposed design and construction projects
- City Department Task Force on the Los Angeles River
- Formulation and review of reports for Mayor and Council, and Board Reports for Public Works

**2001-2004**

**City Architect**

Bureau of Engineering, City of Los Angeles

Division Manager of the Architectural Division, a professional design staff of about 60.

Manager of the City's Sustainable Design Implementation Program.

**Sample Projects:**

- Harbor Gateway Community Center
- Los Angeles Convention Center Expansion Master Plan
- Santa Monica Transitway Retaining Walls
- Terminal Island Administration Building – Designed to be LEED Compliant
- Boyle Heights Youth Technology Center – Targeting LEED Certified
- Charles Mingus Digital Arts Building at the Watts Towers – Designed to be LEED Compliant
- Studio City Parking Structure
- Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Gymnasium – Designed to be LEED Compliant
- Pecan Gymnasium – Designed to be LEED Compliant
- Van Ness Gymnasium – Designed to be LEED Compliant
- Olvera Street Parking Structure Proposal
- Hollyhock House Restoration
- Ascot Branch Library
- Loren Miller Day Care Center Expansion
- Downey Day Care Center
- Echo Park Lake Boathouse Restoration
- Sun Valley Youth Arts Center (Stone House) Restoration and Addition

**Other Responsibilities:**

- Principal author of the City of Los Angeles' first Green building policy (2001), approved by the Board of Public Works and City Council
- Office organization and personnel issues
- Division workload analysis and annual Municipal Facilities Program budgeting
- Analysis of scope, budget, and schedules for proposed design and construction projects
- Bureau of Engineering space needs analysis, and space planning
- Intermittent Acting Deputy City Engineer for the Architecture and Engineering Consulting Services Groups
- Sustainable Design Implementation Program including photovoltaic agreements with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
- Design and urban planning review of projects managed by others
- Transition of Recreation and Parks design staff to the Architectural Division

**1996-2001 Architect/Project Manager**

Design and Engineering Services, Southern California Edison

Project conceptualization, project management, grant agreements, team formulation and management, public presentations, and regulatory reporting for publicly funded demonstration energy efficiency and sustainability projects.

Sample Projects:

- *Rethinking the Portable Classroom*  
Design, energy simulation, green materials matrix, construction, and sensor monitoring and evaluation of an energy-efficient portable classroom
- *Sustainable Portables*  
Sponsorship of a design studio at Woodbury University, taught by Jennifer Siegal, to produce alternative designs for portable classrooms
- *Greening a Production Home*  
Cost-effective, invisible, energy-efficient and environmental measures for a production home, in cooperation with Beazer Homes and PATH (Partnership in Advancing Technology in Housing – a U.S. Department of Energy program). Design, energy simulation, construction and sensor monitoring and evaluation.
- *School of the Future*  
Design assistance, energy simulation, daylight modeling, green materials matrix, construction, and sensor monitoring and evaluation of a new K-6 school in Newport Beach, in cooperation with Perkins and Will Architects and the Newport Mesa Unified School District. 40% annual energy cost reduction. Winner of the 2000 Award of Honor from CASH (California Coalition for Adequate School Housing and the 2000 Savings by Design Energy Efficiency Integration Award for the AIA California Council and the California Utility Consortium.
- *Daylighting a Warehouse and Distribution Center*  
Design assistance, energy simulation, construction, and sensor monitoring of a new 500,000 square foot regional warehouse and distribution center for Staples
- *Low Cost Row Housing*  
Design assistance, energy simulation, and green materials matrix of new affordable row housing in Los Angeles.
- *Leading Edge Student Design Competition*  
Annual responsibility for an international student design competition focused on energy efficiency and sustainability. Site selection, problem formulation, outreach and publicity, jury selection and oversight.

Other Responsibilities:

- Statewide energy efficiency formulation for proposals to the California Energy Commission and the Public Utility Commission
- Business alliance proposals and grant writing
- Regulatory reporting including budgeting and policy compliance

**1993-1996**

**Commercial Officer**

Canadian Consulate General, Los Angeles

Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs

Business development and analysis for Canadian exporters of construction related goods and services, for five western U.S. states. The first Commercial Officer to identify and market Canadian sustainability expertise, now recognized world wide. Also focused on wood products and forestry issues, managing multiple consultant contracts, developing marketing programs, and authoring commercial intelligence reports.

**Sample Projects:**

- Multiple business forums in the western U.S. on Canada's C-2000 Program for Advanced Commercial Buildings. Forums introduced sustainability to the sitting City Architect of Los Angeles.
- Multiple business forums on Canada's Advanced House Program
- The Market for Value Added Canadian Wood Products in the Western US
- The Market for Canadian Architectural Stone Products in the Western US
- Participation in the national annual builders trade show, and the California annual home builders show
- Formulation of the Canadian team who authored the first local green design guidelines for the City of Santa Monica

**Other Responsibilities:**

- Research and correspondence in response to inquiries from Canadian manufacturers or service providers

*Specialized Training*

- Highly selective, seven-month management and leadership training program at Edison, "*Leadership 2000*", taught by the business school at Pepperdine. Final project presented to the CEO and Senior Vice Presidents entitled, "The Viability of Purchasing or Operating and Maintaining Customer Owned Electric Distribution Systems".
- Comprehensive sustainable design training. A LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certified Professional.

*Select Publications, Papers, Public Speaking, and Other Projects*

- Annual speaker at the Los Angeles U.S. Green Building Council Conference
- Multiple panels at the National U.S. Green Building Council Conference over the last ten years
- Multiple presentations to the national American Institute of Architects annual convention over the last 15 years
- Frequent speaker at the local AIA/LA on Green building, urban design, and City contracting
- Frequent juror for local design competitions
- *Project Restore: Historic and Sustainable*, principal contributor to this study on sustainable design opportunities for the restoration of the Los Angeles City Hall
- *Mainstreaming the Sustainably Designed School*, co-authored with Tony Pierce, P.E.

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- *The Santa Monica Civic Center Environmental Design Charette*, co-authored with Dennis Bottum.
- *Sustainable Design Opportunities in the Construction of the Staples Arena*
- *Integrating Sustainable Design and the Real Estate Development Process: A Survey of Real Estate Professionals*
- Founding member of the first City of Los Angeles Task Force on Sustainable Design
- Principal Organizer for the Santa Monica Civic Center Environmental Design Charette, a three day design workshop with over 40 professionals

*Teaching*

- 2001-Present: Project Management class segment on pre-design and the principles of sustainability to City of Los Angeles professional staff.
- Periodically: Invited critic for student design reviews at University of California at Los Angeles, University of Southern California, Art Center, California Polytechnic at Pomona, Southern California Institute of Design
- 1981-1983: Studio instructor at the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark
- 1978-1979: Teaching assistant at the University of California at Berkeley

*Professional Memberships and Service*

**American Institute of Architects**

- AIA/LA California Council Representative 2011
- AIA/LA Board Member 2009 & 2010
- Past Chair of the AIA/Los Angeles Committee on the Environment

**United States Green Building Council**

- Founding member of the USGBC, Los Angeles Chapter

*Education*

- 1978 Master of Architecture: University of California at Berkeley, with Honors
- 1975 Bachelor of Arts: Princeton University, major in Architecture and Urban Planning, and minor in Western Culture and Historical Studies, Summa Cum Laude, Valedictorian of the Department of Architecture

*Personal*

- Born in Mexico City to a U.S. Diplomat
- Raised in the United States, Japan, Thailand, and Chile
- Conversational Spanish