



**ERIC GARCETTI**  
**MAYOR**

June 16, 2022

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Ms. Cynthia McClain-Hill to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2027. Ms. McClain-Hill's current term expires on June 30, 2022.

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

Sincerely,

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ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

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Attachment

## COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

**Name:** Cynthia McClain-Hill  
**Commission:** Board of Water and Power Commissioners  
**End of Term:** 6/30/2027

### Appointee Information

- 1. Race/ethnicity:** African American
- 2. Gender:** Female
- 3. Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 14 - Central
- 4. Are you a registered voter?** Yes
- 5. Prior commission experience:** Board of Police Commissioners
- 6. Highest level of education completed:** J.D., University of California, Los Angeles
- 7. Occupation/profession:** Managing Director of Strategic Counsel PLC,
- 8. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume/bio
- 9. Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment
- 10. Current composition of the commission:**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Term End
Barad, Jill Banks	South Valley	4	Caucasian	F	30-Jun-23
Ruiz, Cynthia	East LA	14	Native American	F	30-Jun-25
Lehrer, Mia	Central	4	Latinx	F	30-Jun-24
McClain-Hill, Cynthia	Central	14	African-American	F	30-Jun-22
Brady, Nicole	Central	4	Caucasian	F	30-Jun-26

## **Biography of Cynthia McClain-Hill**

Cynthia McClain-Hill is an attorney, strategist, and proven leader. She was elected President of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners on July 28, 2020, after serving as Board Vice President since September 5, 2018. Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti appointed Ms. McClain-Hill to a four-year term on the Board of Water and Power Commissioners. On August 15, 2018, her appointment was confirmed by the Los Angeles City Council. Ms. McClain-Hill's term expires on June 30, 2022.

In her work as a highly regarded and widely respected attorney, Ms. McClain-Hill oversees and manages complex legal and public policy issues for clients as managing director of Strategic Counsel PLC. She is lauded as an astute and skillful public policy strategist with an outstanding record of service and accomplishment on a significant array of public-sector and non-profit boards and commissions.

Ms. McClain-Hill previously served for two years as a mayoral appointee on the City of Los Angeles Board of Police Commissioners beginning in August 2016. Over the past three decades, she was appointed to serve on the City's Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), California Coastal Commission, California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), CalEPA Environmental Justice Advisory Working Group, and Los Angeles City Small and Local Business Advisory Commission.

From 2008-2009, she served as president of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) and was past president of NAWBO's Los Angeles Chapter. Ms. McClain-Hill served is a longtime member of the Luskin UCLA School of Public Affairs Advisory Board. She also served as a member of the founding board preceding the Luskin School's establishment.

Ms. McClain-Hill has been consistently named one of Southern California's "Super Lawyers" based on surveys of 65,000 Los Angeles area attorneys. She ranks among the top five percent of California's practicing attorneys. As an opinion leader, her analysis on public affairs issues has been featured regularly in a wide range of print and online publications. She has made numerous TV and radio appearances to discuss public policy, law and politics.

She has also been honored repeatedly by business and civic organizations for her leadership. She received the "Women in Business Advocate Award" from the U.S. Small Business Administration, the inaugural "Ruth Standish Baldwin Award" from the Greater Sacramento Urban League, and the "Thurgood Marshall Award" from Minorities in Business Magazine. She was named "Woman of the Year" by the Los Angeles County Commission on Women in 2022 and recognized for her exemplary community service by LA Focus NewPaper, the Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (LAANE) and UCLA's Academic Advancement Program. She has been featured in ESSENCE magazine and countless local and national publications.

Ms. McClain-Hill has long been a trusted senior advisor to California's powerful political figures and leading policy makers. Former California Governor Gray Davis appointed her to serve as one of his Gubernatorial Transition Team's co-chairs.

Ms. McClain-Hill earned her Juris Doctorate from UCLA School of Law in 1981. She earned her bachelor's degree in Political Science from UCLA in 1978. She is the proud product of California's public school system. She is married and the mother of two adults.



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Dear Ms. McClain-Hill:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby reappoint you to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2027. 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 contact my Commissions team by email at [myr-commissions@lacity.org](mailto:myr-commissions@lacity.org), to make arrangements for you.

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

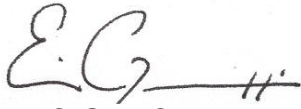
As part of the City Council confirmation process, meetings will be offered to Kevin de Leon, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, the Chair of the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice Committee, to answer any questions they may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your reappointment will be considered by the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice Committee. Sometime 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.

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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,

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Attachment I  
Ms. Cynthia McClain-Hill  
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### Nominee Check List

#### I. Within 7 days:

\_\_\_\_\_ Email the completed forms, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: [myr-commissions@lacity.org](mailto:myr-commissions@lacity.org) OR mail them to: Commissions Team, Office of the Mayor, City Hall – Room 303, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

- Remuneration Form
- Undated Separation Letters

II. The Mayor's Office will notify the below Councilmembers of your nomination, so that they may reach out to schedule a meeting with you should they wish.

\_\_\_\_\_ Your City Councilmember Kevin de Leon

\_\_\_\_\_ Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination