



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

April 27, 2023

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Mr. Robert Ramirez to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2026.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Ramirez is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Mr. Ramirez will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Johanna Sanchez, who has resigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karen Bass'.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Robert Ramirez
Commission: Rent Adjustment Commission
End of Term: 5/20/2026

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Latinx
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 14 - East LA
4. **Are you a registered voter?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:**
7. **Occupation/profession:** Associate Professor, LA Trade Tech College
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume/bio
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Appointment
10. **Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Race	Gender	Term End
Brogdon, Carole	Central	4	Caucasian	F	5/20/2026
Brodie, April (Apryle)	South Valley	2	African American	F	5/20/2026
Leftwich, Paula	South LA	8	African American	F	5/20/2026
Stolarz, Dash	South Valley	3	Caucasian	F	5/20/2026
Tyler, Kirkpatrick	Central	10	African American	M	5/20/2026
Sandoval, Presiliano	North Valley	12	Latinx	M	5/20/2026
VACANT					5/20/2026

Robert “Bob” Ramirez Bio



Robert Ramirez was raised in the northeast area of Los Angeles where he remains today. He was first hired as an Electrician Apprentice by Southern Pacific Railroad in 1963. Two years later, he left to serve in the military (Air Force) for four years. After his service, he returned to work for Southern Pacific at Taylor Yard as an Electrician and was soon promoted to Senior Electrical Instructor.

In 1988, Robert was elected as General Chairman of the Electrical Workers, the first Latino in this post, where he became heavily involved in negotiations with Union Pacific Railroad that ultimately led to the closing of Taylor Yard and moved its local electricians to Colton, City of Commerce, and Long Beach.

Though he retired from the railroads in 2005, Robert continues to be employed as an Associate Professor in the Community College District. Back in 1968 Robert married Caroline, the daughter of a Railroad Machinist, Raymond Valencia. They have two children and 4 fantastic grandchildren.



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April 27, 2023

Dear Mr. Ramirez:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2026, subject to confirmation by the City Council. 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, to make arrangements for you.

To begin the appointment 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. Further, Mayor's Office policy requires all potential commissioners to be fingerprinted as part of the background check. The Commissions Team will assist in connecting you with the Personnel Background Unit so that you may schedule an appointment to have this done. You must schedule the appointment **within one week** of receiving this letter.

Should this apply to your Commission, 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 via the California Fair Political Practices Commission's eDisclosure website or by mailing the forms to City Hall at 200 N. Spring Street, 24th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any inquiries regarding this form should be directed to Nicole Enriquez at the City Ethics Commission by email at nicole.enriquez@lacity.org.

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As part of the City Council confirmation process, meetings will be offered to Kevin de Leon, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Nithya Raman, the Chair of the Housing and Homelessness 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 appointment will be considered by the Housing and Homelessness 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.

Per the City Charter, 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 that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Mr. Robert Ramirez
April 23, 2023

Nominee Check List

I. Within 7 days:

_____ Schedule an appointment to get fingerprinted to complete a background check. The Commissions team will assist in connecting you with the Personnel Background Unit.

_____ Email the completed forms, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: 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. 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**

III. 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 Nithya Raman, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination