




THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**TODD GLORIA**  
MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 27, 2023

TO: Honorable Council President Sean Elo-Rivera  
Honorable Councilmembers

FROM: Mayor Todd Gloria 

SUBJECT: Appointment and Reappointments to the Historical Resources Board

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I am appointing Rammy Cortez to the Historical Resources Board. I am also reappointing Bruce Abrams, David McCullough, Michael Taylor, and Matthew Winter to the board.

Mr. Cortez is a small-scale urban infill developer and builder of more than 60,000 square-feet of transit-oriented missing middle housing in San Diego. He has served as a Young Leaders Group Board Member, former Co-Chair and current Advocacy Co-Chair of the Small-Scale Infill Development Product Council, a member of Circulate San Diego's Policy Committee, and a member of LAI (Lambda Alpha International). He has a master's degree in Real Estate from the University of San Diego's Burnham-Moore's Center for Real Estate and is a CA Licensed General Contractor. He is being appointed to a two-year term ending March 1, 2024.

Mr. Abrams, Esq., provides a wealth of experience serving the city of San Diego on various advisory boards. His civic engagement experience includes serving as Chair of the City's International Affairs Board, Chair of the City's Human Relations Commission (HRC), and as a San Diego County Commissioner on the Social Service Advisory Board. Prior board service includes the Anti-Defamation League of San Diego, National Conflict Resolution Center, American Civil Liberties Union, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and Equality California. Mr. Abrams is being appointed to a two-year term ending March 1, 2025.

Mr. McCullough is the principal landscape architect for McCullough Landscape Architecture, Inc. and brings over twenty years of architecture,

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construction, urban planning, and environmental services expertise to the Board. He has served on the City's Historical Resources Board since 2017 and currently sits as its Chair. Mr. McCullough holds a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. Mr. McCullough is being reappointed to a two-year term ending March 1, 2025.

Mr. Taylor is an archaeologist and President of NWB Environmental Services, LLC, a cultural resources management firm specializing in various archaeological services, including FAA complaint aerial services using drones. He is also the President of NWB Imaging, a cinematic film production company. He serves on the Board of Directors for The Old Globe and is a filmmaker, producer, writer, and director whose shows can be seen on KPBS. Mr. Taylor is a Marine veteran and an alumnus of San Diego City College with an associate degree in Anthropological Archaeology. Mr. Taylor is being reappointed to a two-year term ending March 1, 2025.

Mr. Winter is the Director of Mixed Use at LPA Design Studios and has been responsible for the project management of a variety of award-winning projects of multiple typologies including housing, medical, civic, developer and mixed-use projects. His work on the Pacific Center Campus in Southern California received the 2017 American Architecture Award and the 2016 Best Project for Office/Retail/Mixed Use from ENR's California's Best Projects. He is being reappointed to a two-year term ending March 1, 2024.

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cc: Honorable Mara Elliott, City Attorney  
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