Agenda Item#10.6 Meeting of: 2/12/2013

## Sonoma County Mayors' & Councilmembers' Association

Commission/Board	Interested Party
ABAG Executive Board	Jake Mackenzie, Rohnert Park
ABAG Executive Board Alternate	
ABAG Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation	Susan Harvey, Cotati
ABAG Regional Planning Committee	Julie Combs, Santa Rosa
Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District Citizends Advisory Committee	Erin Carlstrom, Santa Rosa John Dell'Osso, Cotati Gary Wysocky, Santa Rosa
Sonoma County Child Care Planning Council	Susan Harvey, Cotati
North Bay Division, LOCC, Executive Board	
North Coast Railroad Authority Board of Directors	
Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit Commission	Debora Fudge, Windsor

Human Services Commission was eliminated in 2011 due to budget contraints



City Council

Pam Stafford Mayor

Joseph Callinan Vice-Mayor

Amy O. Ahanotu Gina Belforte Jake Mackenzie Council Members

Gabriel Gonzalez City Manager

Darrin W. Jenkins Assistant City Manager

JoAnne Buergier City Clerk



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Alexandra Barnhill Assistant City Attorney

Brian Masterson Director of Public Safety

John McArthur Director of Public Works & Community Services

> Cathy Orme Finance Director

January 10, 2013

Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association City of Cloverdale Nina Regor, City Manager PO Box 217 Cloverdale, CA 95425-3352

**RE: ABAG Executive Board** 

Honorable Mayors and Council Members,

I am submitting my letter of interest in filling the vacancy ABAG Executive Board (2-year term) created by Susan Gorin's departure from the Santa Rosa City Council.

I have a long history of involvement with ABAG, serving on their Regional Planning Committee from 1997-2004 and, more recently, serving on the RHNA modeling working group for its last two iterations.

I have a keen interest in representing our cities on this important body.

Please call me if you have any questions.

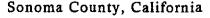
Regards,

Jake Mackenzie Council Member City of Rohnert Park 707 548-3419

cc: Michelle Arellano
Clerk of the City Selection Committee



## City of Cotati





January 28, 2013

City of Cloverdale
Attn: Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association
P O Box 217
Cloverdale, CA 95425-3352
Via email: kmassey@ci.cloverdale.ca.us

**Dear Mayors and Council Members:** 

I am writing to request your support as the Mayors' and Councilmembers' appointment to the ABAG Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation Committee.

This ABAG committee is charged with developing a regional approach for hazardous waste treatment facilities, in addition to providing oversight of the Bay Area Green Business Program. I am interested in serving on this Committee due to my desire to ensure that efforts in Sonoma County to reach our diversion goals are achieved in an effective and efficient manner. Hazardous waste is a portion of the waste stream being diverted, and I strongly believe that we need programs in place to assure these materials are safely eliminated from the environment.

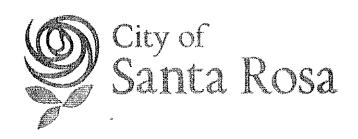
My participation on the Sonoma County Advisory Group (SWAG) and my board membership on the Sonoma County Waste Management Agency provide me with the knowledge and experience necessary to represent the Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association.

I respectfully request your support in appointing me to the ABAG Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation Committee. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Harvey





January 15, 2013

Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association City of Cloverdale Karen J. Massey Assistant City Manager P. O. Box 217 Cloverdale, CA 95425

RE: Letter of Interest from Julie Combs
ABAG Regional Planning

I am writing to ask your support for my appointment to the ABAG Regional Planning Committee. I have particular interest in the Housing Allocation process and the methodology to be adopted, as it will have a major impact on all the cities in Sonoma County. The allocation of funds from the regional entities to our rural communities will require a passionate, local advocate for Sonoma County and Santa Rosa.

Having participated in One Bay Area programs, with a background in affordable housing, having served as a plans reviewer as well as a Planning Commissioner in another rural county, I believe I can fairly represent the interests of our rural county and the City of Santa Rosa in the context of the Association of Bay Area Governments.

Thank you for your consideration

JULIE COMBS
Council Member

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December 17, 2012



Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association City of Cloverdale Nina Regor City Manager P. O. Box 217 Cloverdale, CA 95425

RE: Letter of Interest

Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Citizens Advisory Committee

I am writing to ask for your support for my appointment to the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Citizens Advisory Committee. What makes Sonoma County so wonderful are the open spaces, agricultural lands, and recreational opportunities within our county and cities. I am a strong supporter of the mission and values of the District. While I am newly serving as an elected official in Santa Rosa, I have long been an advocate for open space and recreation, local food production, healthy communities, and climate change action. As a former executive board member of the Accountable Development Coalition and Fellow of the Leadership Institute for Ecology and the Economy, I am passionate about preserving our county's beautiful and bountiful land and historic amenities.

I am likewise passionate about providing access within our urban areas to parks and recreation programs. As a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee, I intend to be a strong advocate for the Matching Grant Program which I see as vitally important to cities. I am committed to an overall goal of a county-wide effort which preserves and protects our precious lands, the natural occupants of our county and our waterways while providing connections to outdoor recreation through public transportation. I also believe we need to honor the commitment to preserve family farming in Sonoma County and promote local and healthy food choices. I hope to connect more family farmers to food production facilities by making industrial areas easier to occupy.

I have the interest and desire to help the District fulfill its mission as an advisory committee member, and I would be honored to be able to serve you in that capacity. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 707-321-0278 or by email at ecarlstrom@srcity.org.

Sincerely,

**ERIN CARLSTROM** 

Vice Mayor

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## City of Cotati



December 21, 2012

Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association c/o Nina Regor, City Manager City of Cloverdale P.O. Box 217 Cloverdale, Ca 95425-3352

Re: Request for Appointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District

Dear Mayors and Councilmembers,

I am writing you to ask for your support for a seat on the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District (District) Citizens Advisory Committee. I would be honored to have the opportunity to represent our cities. I feel that my background of working for the National Park Service (NPS) for over 28 years gives me an excellent understanding of open space issues in the Bay Area: Additionally, for 50 years, we have preserved and maintained the dairy and beef ranches at Point Reyes National Seashore while continuing to be a natural sanctuary and human haven for myriad of species and over 2.5 million annual visitors.

If you look at the mission statement for the District and the NPS, there are some very strong similarities; mainly to preserve and protect for future generations. I have been committed to this concept in my professional, personal and public life.

I respectfully ask for your vote to appointment me to this committee. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at 707-664-0598 or <u>john.dellosso@sbcglobal.net</u>.

Sincerely,

John A. Dell'Osso

Councilmember, City of Cotati



January 30, 2013

Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association City of Cloverdale Karen J. Massey Assistant City Manager P. O. Box 217 Cloverdale, CA 95425

RE:

Letter of Interest

Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District

**Citizens Advisory Committee** 

GARY WYSOCKY Council Member

I am writing to ask for your support for my appointment to the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District Citizens Advisory Committee.

I actively campaigned for the extension of the tax for the program, and I support the need for access to open spaces in conjunction with the counties' various urban growth boundaries.

I support local agriculture as a necessary part of a sustainable community. It is a critical part of our community's environmental and economic sustainability. My 30-years of experience as a CPA in financial oversight, as well as my support by the local environmental community, go hand-in-hand in maintaining the values of the Open Space District.

It would be an honor to be able to serve you on this Committee. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 707-575-3820 or by email at <a href="mailto:gwysocky@srcity.org">gwysocky@srcity.org</a>.

Sincerely,

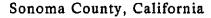
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## City of Cotati





January 28, 2013

City of Cloverdale
Attn: Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association
P O Box 217
Cloverdale, CA 95425-3352
Via email: kmassey@ci.cloverdale.ca.us

**Dear Mayors and Council Members:** 

I am writing to request your support as the Mayors' and Councilmembers' appointment to the Sonoma County Child Care Planning Council.

The mission of the Child Care Planning Council is to promote and to plan for quality child care for all Sonoma County children. As a new grandmother, I am reminded of the importance of quality child care for working parents. When I was a working mother raising three children, I personally experienced the vital importance of quality childcare for families. Childcare is additionally important to employers, because parents who have access to quality childcare can focus on their jobs, knowing that their children are in good hands.

I would be honored to represent the Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association on the Childcare Planning Council because of my desire to ensure quality child care for all of the children of Sonoma County. I respectfully request your support in this appointment.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Harvey





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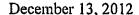
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Vice Mayor Bruce Okrepkie

Councilmembers Steve Aften Debora Fudge Sam Salmon

Town Manager Linda Kelly





Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association City of Cloverdale Nina Regor City Manager P.O. Box 217 Cloverdale, CA 95425-3352

Dear Mayors and Councilmembers:

I am writing to ask for your support for my reappointment to SMART for the seat I've held since 2005.

I've held leadership positions at SMART as Vice Chair during 2008 and 2009, and as Board Chair in 2010 during a particularly tough year for the agency. As Chair, I led us through some major changes that needed to be made, along with my Vice Chair at the time. The agency has survived a repeal effort and the toughest economic times since the Great Depression, and we are now building new track at the rate of 1/4 mile per day. We are on track to deliver passenger train service to the North Bay by the end of 2015. SMART is a well-oiled machine and we have the right team in place to not only meet but to exceed the expectations of taxpayers.

There has been a big turnover in Board members and staff over the past few years, and my history and background has been very helpful to the agency. The General Manager and other Board members call upon me often. My longevity on this Board is helpful to Sonoma County as we look to the next few years when decisions will have to be made about whether we expand north or south, partly depending on the sources of funding we secure. There are approximately 70,000 of us in Sonoma County not being served in Phase I, and I am already lobbying Marin Board members to make sure that we in the far north get service as soon as possible. We also need to find funding to build the Corona Rd Station in Petaluma.

I've served as Chair of the Real Estate Committee and spent 100 hours of personal time working on the Railroad Square project for Santa Rosa. I was also a key player in the relocation of the North Santa Rosa station from Jennings Ave to Guerneville Road, where it will better serve Coddingtown and housing in that 1/4 mile radius from the new station location.



The makeup of the Board in Sonoma County now represents the majority of the main line - with Cloverdale (Carol Russell), Windsor (me), Santa Rosa (Shirlee Zane), and Rohnert Park (Jake Mackenzie) with seats on the Board. Depending on whom the Board of Supervisors appoints to replace Valerie Brown, Petaluma could be served as well. While we don't represent our individual cities on the Board because our responsibility is to represent all 70 miles, we are in great shape in Sonoma County right now with equal geographic representation on the Board.

I am very passionate about getting this train rolling. I respectfully ask for your vote for my reappointment for one last term. Please feel free to call me at any time at 707-836-9057.

Sincerely,

Debora Fudge Council Member, Town of Windsor