

Transportation Revenue Measure (TRM) Select Committee Membership

Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Commissioners

Jim Spering, Transportation Revenue Measure Select Committee Chair	
Commissioner representing Solano County and Cities Metropolitan Transportation Commission	
	<p>Jim Spering served as Mayor of Suisun City from 1986 to 2006 and was elected to the Solano County Board of Supervisors in June of 2006, with his term ending in February of 2023.</p> <p>During his time in public service, Jim also chaired the city's Redevelopment Agency, where he led a nationally recognized redevelopment program centered on the Old Town Waterfront and historic Main Street Shopping District. Using the latest in New Urbanism design philosophy, Suisun City has reinvigorated the waterfront, ending its isolation and reintegrating public uses with the city marina, historic rail depot, public promenade and harbor plaza.</p> <p>Notably, Jim has been the longest tenured commissioner on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, beginning his service in 1987. He has earned recognition for his contributions to regional planning, starting with transportation and later expanding to sustainable climate, housing and development, amongst other regional issues.</p>

Alfredo Pedroza, Napa County Supervisor and MTC Chair

Commissioner representing Napa County and Cities | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Alfredo Pedroza is a lifelong Napa resident and elected District 4 Supervisor in 2016, after being appointed by the Governor in 2014 to finish his predecessor's term. Before joining the Board of Supervisors, Alfredo was elected to the Napa City Council in 2012, becoming the youngest and first Latino Council member ever elected.

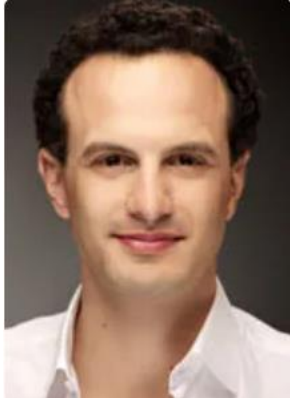
Alfredo is a graduate of Sonoma State University, where he holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a minor in Economics.

Professionally, Alfredo has worked in the financial services industry for more than 10 years, having careers with credit unions and community banks. Alfredo's many years of experience in the financial services industry have helped countless local families and businesses improve their finances and thoughtfully manage and sustain growth.

Alfredo has represented Napa County on MTC since 2017 and was appointed Chair in February 2021. His broad-based community leadership roles encompassing commerce, educational and social service organizations have helped facilitate job growth and economic development, provide aid for local schools, and lend support to individuals and families most in need. Alfredo's passion for public and community service stems from his commitment to working to create a Napa County where his children and future generations of Napa citizens will live, seek jobs, start businesses, and raise their families.

Nick Josefowitz, MTC Vice Chair

San Francisco Mayor's Appointee | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Nick Josefowitz is the CEO of Permit Power, a national education and advocacy non-profit focused on reducing the cost of the clean energy transition by enabling lightning-fast clean energy upgrades. Previously, Nick was the Policy Director at SPUR, a think tank working to make our communities affordable, easy to get around, and carbon-free, and before that was the founder of a company that developed and built solar power plants. He is the San Francisco Mayor's Appointee and Vice-Chair of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. He previously served on the board of the transit agencies BART, WETA and Capitol Corridor as well as the non-profits JCRC and California League of Conservation Voters.

David Canepa, Napa County Supervisor

Commissioner representing San Mateo County | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



David J. Canepa is a fourth generation San Mateo County resident who grew up in Pacifica before settling into Daly City, where he currently resides with his wife Ana and young son David Piero. He is a former Daly City mayor and currently serves as Board President on the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

He was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in November 2016 and was unanimously appointed by his fellow supervisors to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission on Jan. 12, 2021. He also sits on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and several other local and regional boards.

Canepa supports MTC's vision to plan and partner for the next generation with bold leadership to improve mobility and end the chronic housing shortage in the Bay Area.

Housing, transportation and health care will continue to top Canepa's priority list as he works collaboratively to implement transformative policies that will lead to a better quality of life for all Bay Area residents.

Cindy Chavez, Santa Clara County Supervisor

Commissioner representing Santa Clara County | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Cindy Chavez is a member of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors representing District 2, including more than half a million people in central, east, and south San Jose and surrounding areas.

She represents Santa Clara County on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and is chair of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority board of directors. She has long been a steadfast advocate for rail infrastructure, spearheading pivotal projects like the BART Silicon Valley Extension and the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector. The former is the largest public infrastructure project in Santa Clara County history, and when completed, will significantly enhance regional transit in the San Francisco Bay Area. The latter aims to extend light rail service in East San Jose, fostering vital connections that drive economic growth and social progress.

Supervisor Chavez took decisive action against the fentanyl crisis by championing the deployment of Narcan across buses, light rail, and transit facilities in Santa Clara County. Currently in its pilot phase, the project will be fully deployed by next year, increasing the safety of public transit riders and employees.

She successfully mobilized the effort to stop selling leaded aviation gas at ReidHillview Airport after a lead study revealed the airport was poisoning residents, particularly children. This effort initiated a growing national movement to end the use of leaded aviation fuel in the United States.

She is responsible for the majority of new affordable housing in Santa Clara County after crafting a \$950 million housing bond passed by voters in 2016. The county is ahead of schedule in building the projects, having so far funded more than 4,400 homes, many of which are now in operation or nearing completion.

Her visionary policies include bringing improved services for physically and sexually abused children to the new Children’s Advocacy Center; comprehensive help and resources for foster youth; bringing expansive, structural changes to digital and broadband services for students in disadvantaged areas; and health care for all children.

She is a graduate of San Jose State University. Cindy is married to Mike Potter and they have a college-age son.

Matt Mahan, San José Mayor

San José Mayor's Appointee | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Matt Mahan is the 66th Mayor of San José. He formerly served as a teacher through Teach for America, before entering the business world where he founded and grew companies dedicated to empowering neighborhoods and holding our government accountable. These core tenets remain key to his policy priorities as he pledges to bring about a revolution of common sense to city government by creating a system that works just as hard as residents do.

He currently resides in San Jose with his wife, Silvia, and their two children.

Nathan Miley, Alameda County Supervisor

Commissioner representing Alameda County | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Nate Miley serves on the Alameda Board of Supervisors, where he proudly represent portions of the City of Oakland, the City of Pleasanton and the Unincorporated Communities of Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, El Portal Ridge, Fairmont Terrace, Fairview and Hillcrest Knolls.

As a former Oakland City Councilmember, the Founder and President of the United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County, as well as a longtime community organizer, Nate remains deeply committed to:

1. Community engagement and to using his office to empower community members; and
2. Delivery of quality County programs, include vital social safety net and public safety services; and
3. Equitable delivery of services to you and to the communities he serves.

Throughout his time in elected office, Nate has fought to protect open space, strengthen the healthcare system, and create more livable and safe neighborhoods, while improving transportation, air quality, healthcare, public safety, and social services. He authored legislation to hold pharmaceutical companies accountable and to create the nation's first no-cost drug disposal ordinance, championed the successful passage of Measure A which raises \$100 million annually to support vital health care programs within Alameda County and worked to ensure that communities have a voice within local government.

Sue Noack, Vice Mayor of Pleasant Hill

Commissioner representing Cities of Contra Costa County | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Sue Noack was elected to the Pleasant Hill City Council in 2014. She was Mayor in 2016 and 2021 and was recently elected for her third term. Sue’s responsibilities in her City Council role include: Budget Committee, Library Subcommittee, General Plan Advisory Committee, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority and Transpac (RTPC).

Sue graduated from Bucknell University in 1981 with a Bachelor’s in Business Administration. She worked for several banking institutions and simultaneously earned her MBA from The Wharton School at The University of Pennsylvania.

In 1995, she moved to the Bay Area and worked as a Vice President for Bank of America Leasing. She moved to GATX in 2000, where she became the Chief Risk Officer and then the Senior Vice President of Air Operations.

Shortly after moving to the Bay Area, she met her husband, Charlie. They moved to Pleasant Hill in 1998 and their son Will was born in 2001.

Sue co-founded the Foundation for Pleasant Hill Education, chaired the 2010 Measure C Bond Oversight Committee and has served on several community organizations.

Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Marin County Supervisor

Commissioner representing Marin County and Cities | Metropolitan Transportation Commission



Stephanie Moulton-Peters has represented District 3 on the Marin County Board of Supervisors since January 2021 and was elected by her colleagues to serve as Board President for 2023. Before her 2020 election to the Board of Supervisors Ms. Moulton-Peters served for 12 years as a member of the Mill Valley City Council and served as the city’s mayor in 2010, 2014 and 2018. She is a current board member for the Transportation Authority of Marin and the Marin Transit District and is a former member of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District (SMART)’s Board of Directors.

Ms. Moulton-Peters for more than a decade managed environmental regulatory compliance and sustainability programs at Pacific Gas and Electric Co., and has worked in the fields of communication and nonprofit philanthropy.

David Rabbitt, Sonoma County Supervisor

Commissioner representing the Association of Bay Area Governments | Metropolitan Transportation Commission





Supervisor David Rabbitt was elected to his fourth term representing the Second District of Sonoma County in June 2022. He was first elected to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors in November 2010 after serving four years on the Petaluma City Council.



The Supervisor served two consecutive terms as Chair of the Board of Supervisors in 2013 and 2014, and again served as Chair in 2019. He will be serving as Vice-Chair in 2023.

Supervisor Rabbitt serves on several local, regional, state and national boards. Currently, along with his local governmental committees, Supervisor Rabbitt serves as: Immediate Past President of the Association of Bay Area Governments; Director on the Golden Gate Bridge District; Commissioner on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission; Chair of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit; Chair of the North Bay Water Reuse Authority; Founding Director and Chair on the Renewal Enterprise District JPA; Director on the Sonoma County Transportation Authority and Regional Climate Protection Authority; Committee member on the National Association of Counties' Finance, Pensions, and Intergovernmental Affairs Steering Committee and has been appointed to three terms by the Governor to represent local government on the California Seismic Safety Commission.

Supervisor Rabbitt is an architect having earned his architectural degree at the University of Oregon. He lives in Petaluma with his wife Jane, a Nurse at UCSF, and has three adult children.

Other Organizations

<p>John Arantes, SEIU Local 1021 Executive Council Special Districts Chair Service Employees International Union</p>	
	<p>John Arantes has served as the BART Chapter President from 2010 to present and represents 1,700 maintenance and clerical employees at BART.</p> <p>He has been a Transit Vehicle Mechanic at BART for over 25 years. Additionally, he is the SEIU Local 1021 Executive Council Special Districts Chair since 2016 and represents 60,000 public sector members across Northern California.</p>
<p>Alicia John-Baptiste, President and CEO San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)</p>	
	<p>Alicia John-Baptiste is the president and CEO of SPUR. She is responsible for defining the overall vision and strategy for the organization. A seasoned leader and public policy professional, Alicia has over 20 years of experience reimagining systems to create better outcomes for people. Her optimistic vision and practical approach inform SPUR’s efforts to build a Bay Area where all people can thrive.</p> <p>Prior to her time at SPUR, Alicia developed deep appreciation for local government and its commitment to the collective good while serving in leadership roles for the City and County of San Francisco, most recently as Chief of Staff at the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency. Locally and nationally recognized for her public policy expertise, inspirational perspective and creative approach to systems change, Alicia focuses her talents and experience on building shared dreams. Alicia holds a Master’s degree in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Duke University. She lives in Oakland with her husband, twin children and puppy, Bowie, and loves nothing more than to travel with three of the four of them.</p>

Manny Leon, Deputy Director	
California Alliance for Jobs (CAJ)	
	<p>Manuel S. Leon (“Manny”) is Deputy Director of CAJ and is responsible for transportation policy, and regulatory and legislative affairs. Prior, he served as the vice president of government relations for the Associated General Contractors of California where he developed legislative strategies and managed the day-to-day operations of the government relations team consisting of local government relations, regulatory affairs, and state legislative advocacy.</p> <p>From 2015 to 2020, Manny served as the principal consultant to the California State Senate Committee on Transportation and senior consultant for the California State Assembly Transportation Committee 2013 to 2015. In 2017, he served as the lead staffer for Senate Bill (SB) 1 (gas tax) and SB 595 (Regional Measure 3).</p> <p>He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in History for California State University, San Bernadino, and a Master’s in Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach. Upon finishing graduate school, Manny was selected to the Assembly Fellows Program, where he worked for then-Assemblymember John Laird.</p> <p>In his free time, Manny enjoys a variety of sports leagues, running races, and giving back to the community. He was elected to the Sacramento Natural Foods Cooperative Board of Directors in October 2020 and is the board’s current Chair. From 2014 to 2020, he served on the River City Food Bank, also in Sacramento, serving as Board Chair in 2017, and was appointed by the Sacramento City Council to the City of Sacramento’s Administration, Investment and Fiscal Management Board, serving as Chair from 2019 to 2021.</p>
Adina Levin, Advocacy Director and Co-Founder	
Seamless Bay Area	
	<p>Adina Levin is co-founder and Co-Executive Director/Advocacy Director for Seamless Bay Area, a nonprofit focusing on bringing about a convenient, rider-focused, equitable world class public transportation system. She co-founded Friends of Caltrain, a nonprofit organization which supports successful modernization of Caltrain in the context of an integrated system of sustainable transportation. She is the Chair of the Regional Network Management Customer Advisory Group and serves on the MTC Policy Advisory Council. She has co-founded multiple for-profit and nonprofit ventures.</p>

James Lindsay, International Vice President

Amalgamated Transit Union



James Lindsay, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) International Vice President (IVP), has advanced the needs and goals of working men, women, and families, including ATU's 13,000 members in California throughout his long, successful career serving organized labor. With his commitment to working families, IVP Lindsay can expand on his long-time service on behalf of clean, reliable, affordable, and safe public transportation aimed at the very real needs of the economically strapped and often overlooked members of low-income and majority-people of color communities in California.

As a 34-year member of ATU Local 1277 (representing the transit workers at the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority), Lindsay has deep experience with meeting the transportation needs of transit riders while promoting the dignity and safety of the frontline workers who move our cities.

Jim was elected to leadership roles in ATU Local 1277, serving as its president from 2012-2015.

In 2013, Lindsay became President of the ATU's California Conference Board, representing 13,000 members across the state and working closely with the legislature and state agencies on behalf of their needs and goals. At the same time, he served as Vice President of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, representing over 800,000 members, and Vice President of the California State Federation of Labor, the voice of 2.1 million working men and women. Lindsay was elected an ATU IVP in 2015, a position he currently holds, with jurisdiction over a major part of the Western United States.

Ellen Wu, Executive Director

Urban Habitat & Voices for Public Transportation



Ellen Wu is the Executive Director of Urban Habitat, an organization whose mission is to democratize power and advance equitable policies to create a just and connected Bay Area for low-income communities of color. Urban Habitat brings race and class to the forefront of transportation, land use, and housing policies and supports community leaders to serve on boards and commissions. She is chair of Oakland's Affordable Housing and Infrastructure Bond Oversight Committee and has a Master's in Public Health.

Jim Wunderman, President and CEO

Bay Area Council





Jim Wunderman is President and CEO of the Bay Area Council, a CEO-led public policy and advocacy organization formed in 1945 that works to shape the future of the Bay Area and maintain it as the most innovative, globally competitive, and sustainable region in the world. In the 1950s, the Council gained notoriety for creating a regional mass transit, fixed rail system that became BART.

Since becoming CEO in 2004, Jim has dramatically expanded and deepened the Council’s reach and influence throughout the Bay Area, Silicon Valley, California, the nation and the world. As the leading steward of the Bay Area, the Council has grown during Jim’s tenure to include more than 325 member companies across many industries. He has positioned the Council as a leading voice for business and the economy on a wide range of issues, including business climate, public safety, housing and homelessness, transportation, climate resilience and more.

Appointed by Gov. Gavin Newsom, Jim also serves as Chair of the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (developer and operator of San Francisco Bay Ferry), which the Council played an instrumental role in creating. Jim is the Founder and serves as Chairman of the New California Coalition, an influential statewide movement leveraging the power of hundreds of business and civic organizations to advance commonsense solutions to key issues and improve the state’s overall business climate to ensure a healthy, growing and inclusive economy.

Since 2008, Jim annually teaches a course on Executive Leadership at the UC Davis Graduate School of Management.

Legislative Representatives

Raayan Mohtashemi, Legislative Aide	
Senator Scott Wiener – California Senate District 11	
	<p>Raayan Mohtashemi is a legislative aide in the Office of Senator Scott Wiener, responsible for a portfolio including transportation and local government issue areas.</p> <p>Mohtashemi has worked in the Senator’s office for the past 2 years and staffed SB 1031. An avid transportation enthusiast and Bay Area native, Mohtashemi also previously was a policy intern with the Office of Senator Josh Becker and has experience working at multiple local Bay Area transportation agencies.</p>
Alicia Lawrence, Communications Director	
Senator Aisha Wahab – California Senate District 10	
	<p>Alicia G. Lawrence is the Communications Director for California State Senator Aisha Wahab, and staffs the Senator on issues related to Education, Local government, Labor, and Revenue and Taxation. Born and raised in Southern California, Alicia has spent most of her adult life in Northern California.</p> <p>Alicia’s work as a housing advocate improved the City of Hayward’s Affordable Housing Ordinance and Residential Rent Stabilization Ordinance, as well as pushed the city to institute greater tenant protections and ensured passage of COVID-19 eviction moratoriums. She also served as a Community Services Commissioner for the City of Hayward serving on two sub-committees, one of which broadly addressed racial equity within the commission.</p> <p>Alicia has a B.A. from Mount Saint Mary’s University, Los Angeles; and was a 2019 Urban Habitat Boards and Commission Leadership Institute Fellow.</p>