

CITY OF WHITTIER COUNCIL DIRECTORSHIPS

CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

The City Selection Committee is a State-formed committee composed of Mayors and alternate Council delegates¹ of each of the eighty-five member cities in a respective County.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
ALTERNATE: Vacant

GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (COG)

The Gateway Cities Council of Governments is an organization of the twenty-six cities of Southeast Los Angeles County working cooperatively with other cities through a Joint Powers Agreement, to guarantee maximum funding for the sub-region's fair share of state and federal funding.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
ALTERNATE: Cathy Warner, Council Member

GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

The Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District was formed to deal with mosquito problems in the southeast portion of Los Angeles County. The thirty-five member Board of Trustees is the policy making body of the District and is represented by thirty-four cities and the County of Los Angeles.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
(Term expires January 1, 2017)
ALTERNATE: None

HILLSIDE OPEN SPACE EDUCATION COALITION

The Hillside Open Space Education Coalition (HOSEC) was formed to educate the public concerning potential land acquisition for open space and potential developments in hillside areas of concern to HOSEC. The six-member steering committee is comprised of one voting delegate and one alternate from the cities of Brea, La Habra, La Habra Heights and Whittier and from the Rowland Heights and Hacienda Heights Improvement Associations.

DELEGATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem
ALTERNATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor

INDEPENDENT CITIES ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Independent Cities is an organization, which represents the interests of its forty-seven member cities. Independent Cities is governed by a twenty-member Board of Directors which meets monthly and serves as the decision making body.

DELEGATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem
ALTERNATE: Vacant

¹ Government Code Sections 50270 and 50271.

LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION

The League of California Cities was established to promote the general welfare of California cities through a central office. There are fifteen regional divisions of the League; Whittier is a member of the Los Angeles County Division, which is comprised of eighty-six cities. The Los Angeles Division meets for the purpose of promoting interest in the problems of municipal government and to assist the officials of the League of California Cities in formulating policies and rendering service to its member cities.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
ALTERNATE: Joe Vinatieri, Council Member

PUEENTE HILLS HABITAT PRESERVATION AUTHORITY

The Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority (PHHPA) was established to provide for acquisition, restoration and/or maintenance of additional open space lands lying within the La Puente/Whittier Hills area to create or preserve native habitat areas, thereby mitigating impacts on oak tree resources and natural open space resulting from the operation of the Puente Hills Landfill and to provide for the eventual transfer or dedication of such native habitat areas and maintenance funds to the appropriate agency.

DELEGATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem
ALTERNATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor

SANITATION DISTRICT NOS. 2, 15, AND 18 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

The L.A. County Sanitation District is a special district formed under State Law. The Board of Directors is the governing body, which controls all operations and activities of the District. Whittier is served by District Nos. 2, 15 and 18 and has decision-making authority relative to the ongoing operation and business of the three districts. District No. 2 is responsible for the administrative function of the Board. The by-laws require the Mayor to serve as the delegate. District Nos. 15 and 18 are composed of cities from the southern and northern portions of the County, respectively.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
ALTERNATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem

SOUTHEAST AREA SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDING AUTHORITY (SASSFA)

The Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority is a joint powers agency formed to administer government grants on behalf of its four-member cities and the County of Los Angeles. The Authority administers Human Services programs and is currently involved in job training and senior nutrition.

DELEGATE: Joe Vinatieri, Council Member
ALTERNATE: Cathy Warner, Council Member

SOUTHEAST WATER COALITION (SEWC)

SEWC is a coalition of eleven cities (Cerritos, Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, South Gate, Vernon and Whittier) and the Water Replenishment District of Southern California that deals with water contamination in the Central Basin.

DELEGATE: Fernando Dutra, Council Member
ALTERNATE: Joe Vinatieri, Council Member

SR91/I-605 CORRIDOR CITIES COMMITTEE

The SR91/I-605 Corridor Cities Committee is established under an Implementation Agreement with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG) to develop a Needs Assessment Study for State Route 91 and Interstate 605. The study involves 13 corridor cities and one member of the County Board of Supervisors to address issues of surrounding traffic patterns, roadway capacity, accident history, truck traffic impacts, new 210 Freeway opening, 710 South Pasadena gap closure, 710 dedicated truck-lane system; 24-hour port operation, air quality, aesthetics, and noise.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
ALTERNATE: Joe Vinatieri, Council Member

WHITTIER/PUENTE HILLS CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

The Whittier/Puente Hills Conservation Authority was established to acquire, develop and conserve open space and other parkland for public recreation use and enjoyment. Membership on the Authority consists of two representatives of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, two members of the Whittier City Council and one member of the Whittier community.

DELEGATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem
2nd DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (WCCA)

The purpose of the Authority is to provide for the proper planning, conservation, environmental protection and maintenance of the habitat and wildlife corridor between the Whittier-Puente Hills and the Cleveland National Forest in the Santa Ana Mountains.

DELEGATE: Bob Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem
ALTERNATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor

City of Whittier Council Directorships (2012)
(Not Governed by Council)

LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY (LAHSA) COMMISSION

The L.A. County Board of Supervisors and the Mayor and City Council of Los Angeles formed LAHSA in 1993, each appointing five members. LAHSA provides funding and guidance for a network of local, non-profit agencies with missions to help people leave homelessness permanently. These agencies are dedicated to providing as much assistance as possible to help homeless persons with housing, case management, counseling, advocacy, substance abuse programs, and other specialized services.

DELEGATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor
(Term expires June 30, 2013)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG)

SCAG is an agency voluntarily established by its members pursuant to a Joint Exercise of Powers Act for the purpose of providing a forum for discussion, study, and development or recommendations on regional problems of mutual interest and concern regarding the orderly physical development of the Southern California Region among units of local government.

DELEGATE: Fernando Dutra, Council Member
ALTERNATE: Owen Newcomer, Mayor