



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

File Number:

Agenda Item Number: 39

Agenda Date: October 31, 2024

In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Clerk

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Debbie Racca-Sittre

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Board appointment

SUMMARY:

Ordinance appointing Adrian Reyna (Union Representative) to the VIA Metropolitan Transit Board of Trustees for the remainder of an unexpired term of office ending December 31, 2025.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

VIA manages and operates the Metropolitan Transit Authority within Bexar County, Texas. VIA is governed by a Board of Trustees with 11 appointees: five appointed by the San Antonio City Council, three appointed by the Bexar County Commissioners Court, two appointed by Suburban Mayors, and the Chair of the Board is elected by the Board Members. Board members serve staggered two-year terms and may serve up to four terms. Members must be qualified voters residing within the VIA Metropolitan Transit service area.

Currently, all of the At-Large seats are filled. Appointed At-Large Members include:

- Laura Cabanilla, Executive Committee, term expiration: 12/31/2024
- Robert L. Comeaux, Board Member, term expired: 12/31/2023, in holdover status
- Athalie D. Malone, Secretary, term expiration: 12/31/2025

- Javier Parades, Board Member, term expiration: 12/31/2024
- Melanie Aranda Tawil, Board Member, term expiration: 12/31/2024

As the seat to be filled is that of the union representative, a nomination by the Central Labor Council (CLC) is required; that nomination was received, as was the Mayor's concurrence with the CLC's nomination. The candidate was interviewed by the Governance Committee on October 16, 2024; the Governance Committee voted to forward the appointment to the full City Council.

ISSUE:

Board appointments require full City Council approval.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Office of the City Clerk will continue to promote vacancies.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

In order to proceed with the direction of the Governance Committee, the Office of the City Clerk recommends approval.