



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

August 12, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Mr. William Saxe Epps to the Affordable Housing Commission for the term ending June 30, 2029. Mr. Epps's current term expired on June 30, 2024.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Epps is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass".

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: William Saxe Epps
Commission: Affordable Housing Commission
End of Term: 6/30/2029

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** African American
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 14 - Central
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** Doctor of Ministry, St. Mary's Seminary and University
7. **Occupation/profession:** Pastor, Second Baptist Church Los Angeles
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment
10. **Current composition of the commission:**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Race	Gender	Term End
Allen, Belinda	South LA	8	African American	F	6/30/2028
Ceballos, Mario	East LA	13	Latinx	M	6/30/2027
Chang, Andrew	West LA	11	API	M	6/30/2024
Claros, Raul	Central	1	Latinx	M	6/30/2025
Epps, William Saxe	Central	14	African American	M	6/30/2024
Grande, Ana	Central	13	Latinx	F	6/30/2029
Smith, Ryan	Central	14	African American	M	6/30/2025

Reverend Doctor William Saxe Epps

880 W. 1st Street, Unit 525, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Native of Rochester, New York

Bachelor of Science, Bishop College, Dallas, Texas- 1966

Master of Divinity, Union Theological Seminary, New York- 1969

Master of Education, Columbia University, New York City- 1970

Doctor of Ministry, St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore, Maryland- 1987

- 1968 to 1974 - Assistant Minister at Abyssinian Baptist Church, NY
- 1975 to 1983 - Pastor at First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC
- October 1, 1987 - Began his tenure at Second Baptist Church, Los Angeles
- January 31, 1988 - Installed as the eighth pastor of Second Baptist

Previous experiences include public school teaching in Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York. In addition to being a Congressional Staff to the late Dr. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. and an Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of District Nine in New York City Public Schools.

Current civic and community activities include: Commissioner of the Affordable Housing Commission of Los Angeles (President Emeritus) and member of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board of Managers (New York City).



August 12, 2024

Dear Mr. Epps:

I am pleased to inform you that I am reappointing you to the Affordable Housing Commission for the term ending June 30, 2029, subject to confirmation by the City Council.

To begin the reappointment process, please review, sign, and return the enclosed remuneration form and undated Letters of Separation **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to ensure the most efficient, open, and accountable city government possible.

As part of the reappointment process, Kevin de Leon, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Nithya Raman, the Chair of the Housing and Homelessness Committee, may wish to meet with you to answer any questions they have. Our office will assist with arranging these meetings.

Additionally, you will be required to attend public meetings at City Hall where your reappointment will be considered. You will be hearing from our office and a City Council Clerk who will let you know when your reappointment will be considered by the Housing and Homelessness Committee. Sometime thereafter, you will be notified of the date when your reappointment will be presented to the full City Council. Immediately following the meeting, you will again be required to take the Oath of Office in the City Clerk's Office located in Room 395 of City Hall. If you require parking for these meetings, please contact my Commissions team by email at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

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Per the City Charter, most commissioners must be registered voters of the City of Los Angeles, and must therefore reside within Los Angeles. If you move at any point during your term, or your contact information changes, please contact my Commissions team immediately at the email listed below. While we hope that you complete a successful term, if for some reason you intend to resign, please do so in writing to my Commissions team at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

Congratulations, and thank you for agreeing to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" and the last name "Bass" clearly distinguishable.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Mr. William Saxe Epps
August 12, 2024

Nominee Check List

I. Within 7 days:

- ☐ Email the below completed documents, found on the last two pages of this letter, to: myr-commissions@lacity.org OR mail them to:

Office of the Mayor
Attn: Thomas Arechiga
200 N. Spring Street, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012

- Remuneration Form
- Undated Separation Letters (2)

II. The Mayor's Office will notify the below Councilmembers of your nomination, so that they may reach out to schedule a meeting with you should they wish.

- ☐ Your City Councilmember Kevin de Leon
- ☐ Councilmember Nithya Raman, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

III. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- ☐ Housing and Homelessness Committee Hearing
- ☐ Full Council Hearing