

Communication from Public

Name: Karen Mack

Date Submitted: 02/17/2022 10:44 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I had the great pleasure of serving on the Los Angeles City Planning Commission with Vahid Khorsand for approx. two years. I continue as a member of CPC. During the time that we served together, he was named Vice President of the Commission. He was always a prudent voice in our deliberations, balancing a deep concern for community issues with the ability to see the bigger picture. In addition, he brought his in depth knowledge of the Valley and the unique opportunity and challenges there which was always helpful as we reviewed projects from that part of town. In the times when the Commission President was absent and he stepped in to run the meetings, he showed himself to be an excellent leader with the ability to handily manage our conversations and move us forward in our decision making as well as gracefully facilitating public comment - holding back his own opinion when necessary to play this larger role. I believe he will make a great Public Works Commissioner for all the reasons I've outlined so far, and also because he really, really cares about Los Angeles. I ask that you give him your highest consideration as I do not think you will find a better candidate. Thank You.

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Name: Armida Colmenares-Stafford

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Comments for Public Posting: It has been my pleasure to work with Vahid Khorsand the last few years. He is very supportive of the mission of United Chambers of Commerce promoting the San Fernando Valley's overall welfare, progress, and economic prosperity. He worked with the LA Mayor's Office helping to get grants for the Chambers and also for small businesses in our communities. During his time as West Valley Area Representative for Mayor Garcetti, he ensured there was communication and awareness regarding the various programs and benefits available to small businesses as part of the relief programs provided by LA County. It is always great to see him at various events in the community supporting the many non-profits in the San Fernando Valley.

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Name: Yvette Lopez-Ledesma

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Comments for Public Posting: Greetings Members of the Public Works Committee, my name is Yvette Lopez-Ledesma and I am a resident of CD 6, a member of the L.A. City Planning Commission and a friend of Vahid Khorsand. Today I write this with solely my friend hat-on, to show strong support for Vahid's nomination to serve as member of the Board of Public Works. I have known Vahid for over 7 years. Vahid and I served alongside one another as members of the San Fernando Valley Metro Service Council for several years until he took the opportunity to join the City of L.A.'s Planning Commission. He and I served to represent the commuters most marginalized in our region, public transit riders. As a transit rider himself, he brought forward important perspective and solutions to address the needs of Metro riders. I have no doubt that he will approach his work as a member of the Board of Public Works in the same way. His love for L.A., particularly the San Fernando Valley along with his lived experience and trusted relationships in Valley communities makes him the type of thinker and doer that this city needs in Public Works. I can say a number of things about how qualified and well prepared Vahid is for this appointment, but it's his successes and dedication to making public systems better that says it all. From transit, commerce, development, to public health, Vahid's experience serving as a public servant on these issues has developed him as a leader with tact, a great sense of urgency and responsibility with a willingness to listen to and work with communities and City leadership. Thank you for your consideration of his nomination. Sincerely, Yvette Lopez-Ledesma

Communication from Public

Name: Kathy Delle Donne

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Councilmembers - I strongly support the nomination of Vahid Khorsand to the Board of Public Works. He is a knowledgeable and outstanding leader. I worked with him as a member of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council and more recently, the Tarzana Safari Walk Business Improvement District. He is a person who intently listens to the community and more important, respects them. Vahid Khorsand will be an asset to the Board of Public Works.