



KAREN BASS  
MAYOR

May 23, 2023

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Mr. Vigen Davidian to the Board of Transportation Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2028. Mr. Davidian's current term expires on June 30, 2023.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Davidian 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:** Viggen Davidian  
**Commission:** Board of Transportation Commissioners  
**End of Term:** 6/30/2028

### Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Caucasian
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 3 - South Valley
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** MS, Civil Engineering, University of California, Berkeley
7. **Occupation/profession:** Vice President, Iteris, Inc.
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume/bio
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment
10. **Current composition of the commission:**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Race	Gender	Term End
Davidian, Viggen	South Valley	3	Caucasian	M	6/30/2023
Tohom, Douglas	East LA	13	Latinx	M	6/30/2027
Eisenberg, Eric	Harbor	15	Caucasian	M	6/30/2023
Liban, Cris	West LA	11	API	M	6/30/2025
Ortega, Jazmin	East LA	14	Latinx	F	6/30/2027
Talbott, Selika	Central	10	African American	F	6/30/2024
Pak, Erin	West LA	11	API	F	6/30/2026

## VIGGEN DAVIDIAN, PE

Vice President, Iteris, Inc.



### EDUCATION

**MS, Civil Engineering**  
(Transportation), University of California, Berkeley, 1981

**BS, Civil Engineering**, Iowa State University, 1979

### YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

With Iteris: **29** Total: **41**

### REGISTRATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

**Professional Engineer (Civil PE)**  
CA #36335, 1983

**NHI Certificate of Training**  
Project Development and Environmental Documentation, FHWA

### PRIOR POSITIONS

Principal, **DKS Associates** 1989-1994

**Cal Poly Pomona**, Part-time Faculty, 2008-2012

Principal Engineer, **Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)** 1984-1989

Senior Engineer, **Gruen Associates** 1982-1984

Highway Engineer in Training, **Iowa Department of Transportation** 1979-1980

### AFFILIATIONS

**Fellow**, Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)

**Life Member**, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

Phi Kappa Phi, Engineering Honor Society

Chi Epsilon, Civil Engineering Honor Society

Viggen has over 41 years of professional and project leadership experience in traffic and civil engineering, multimodal transportation planning, and environmental analysis in both the private and public sectors.

He is Vice President with **Iteris, Inc.**, a leading national transportation and mobility technology firm. He has been with the company since 1994 and is the National Practice Leader for Iteris' Transportation Planning/Engineering practices and a business development lead. Viggen holds a Master of Science Degree in Transportation Engineering from University of California, Berkeley, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University. He is a registered Professional Engineer in California. Viggen is a Fellow of Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) and a Life Member of American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and has served as Vice President on the ASCE's Los Angeles Section Board of Directors. A resident of City of Los Angeles since moving to southern California in 1982, Viggen has lived in West Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley and worked in the mid-Wilshire area and Downtown Los Angeles.

Viggen's technical expertise include comprehensive multi-modal area and corridor studies, parking, traffic and transit operations and simulation, travel demand forecasting, alternatives analyses, ITS Technologies, and environmental impact assessment for major highway and transit projects. He also specializes in transportation performance measurement and monitoring systems for local and regional agencies as well as strategic master plans for transportation infrastructure development, prioritization, and financing.

Viggen is a well-known transportation industry leader in southern California. During the past 40 years, he has managed or served as a key discipline leader in planning, environmental assessment, and design of many of the Metro's rail and bus rapid transit lines that have been implemented in the City of Los Angeles (list on the next page). He has worked closely with the staffs of the City's Department of City Planning, Department of Transportation, Bureau of Engineering and many council districts and elected officials as part of transportation policy development. Viggen also has close working relationships with LA Metro staff and management, Caltrans District 7, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) and many local jurisdictions. While at SCAG, Viggen was the principal analyst and author of the Transportation Impacts Study for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics.

Viggen has a comprehensive knowledge of federal, state, regional, and local transportation and parking guidelines, regulations and processes for system planning, environmental assessment, design, financing, and construction. He is experienced in the academic environment with teaching and mentoring transportation engineers and planners. He is skilled in conflict resolution and consensus building with multi-jurisdictional policy and technical advisory committees, elected officials, commissions, agency management and staffs.

A strong believer in giving back to the community, Viggen has volunteered and served in significant leadership roles, including board member, with various community-based and youth non-profit organizations for over four decades. He has also served for many years as a volunteer interview and evaluation panel member for LADOT's staff evaluation and promotion program.

**Representative Major City of Los Angeles and LA Metro projects:**

During his career, Viggen has served as project manager or traffic/transportation discipline lead on many multidisciplinary teams for the following major corridor and area studies for the City of Los Angeles or Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) helping build southern California's multimodal transportation system.

- Numerous City of Los Angeles Community Plan Update (CPU) Transportation Plans and EIRs from the San Fernando Valley to the South Los Angeles, and Mid-City to the Westside and San Pedro
- Warner Center Specific Plan, Mobility Fee and EIR
- West Ventura Boulevard Parking Study
- Wilshire Boulevard Bus Rapid Transit Project
- Santa Monica Boulevard Transit Parkway Project
- East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor (Van Nuys Light Rail) Advance Conceptual Engineering
- San Fernando Valley North-South Transit Corridors Project
- Metro Orange Line Grade Crossing Needs and Safety Analysis
- Metro Orange Line Canoga Extension EIR/EIS
- San Fernando Valley Short and Long-Term Mobility Plans
- Metro Exposition Line EIR/EIS Phase II
- Crenshaw LRT Transit Oriented Districts
- Crenshaw LRT Grade Separation and Safety Study
- I-405 Sepulveda Pass Express Lanes
- I-10 and I-110 Express Lane Operational and Tolling Policy
- LAX, Ontario and Palmdale Airport Master Plans
- Last Mile Freight Los Angeles Citywide Pilot Projects
- Downtown Los Angeles Mobility Plan
- San Fernando Valley and Malibu/Las Virgenes Mobility Matrix
- Countywide Significant Arterial Network (CSAN) and Performance Measurement System
- Los Angeles County Freeway System Assessment and Hot Spots Analysis
- Los Angeles County Arterial Performance Measurement Pilot Project Tool
- North LA County Multimodal Transportation Improvement Study (NCMTIS)
- SB 743 Mitigation Measures Analysis
- Over 30 Countywide, Subregional and Local Travel Demand Models
- South Bay Measure R Highway Program Implementation Plan
- SCAG High Quality Transit Area (HQTA) Analysis

**Summary of Volunteer Activities:**

- Over 40 years of volunteer leadership positions with Armenian General Athletic Union and Scouts (Homenetmen) Organization, providing community and youth after-school athletic and cultural programs
- Member, Education Committee, Ferrahian School, Encino and North Hills
- Member, Board of Governors Armenian American Museum and Cultural Center of California, Glendale
- Vice President, American Society of Civil Engineers, Los Angeles Chapter
- Volunteer member of Property Search and Construction Committee for Western Prelacy Headquarters Building for Armenian Apostolic Church Western United States, Tujunga



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MAYOR

May 23, 2023

Dear Mr. Davidian:

I am pleased to inform you that I am reappointing you to the Board of Transportation Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2028, 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, Bob Blumenfield, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Heather Hutt, the Chair of the Transportation 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 Transportation 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](mailto: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](mailto: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. Viggen Davidian  
May 23, 2023

### **Nominee Check List**

**I. Within 7 days:**

- ☐ Email the below completed documents, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: [myr-commissions@lacity.org](mailto:myr-commissions@lacity.org) OR mail them to: Commissions Team, Office of the Mayor, City Hall, Room 303, 200 N. Spring Street, 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 Bob Blumenfield
- ☐ Councilmember Heather Hutt, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

**III. Public Meetings at City Hall:**

- ☐ Transportation Committee Hearing
- ☐ Full Council Hearing