



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 Ms. Catherine Unger to the Board of Cultural Affairs Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2028. Ms. Unger's current term expires on June 30, 2023.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Unger is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon her, 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: Catherine Unger
Commission: Board of Cultural Affairs Commissioners
End of Term: 6/30/2028

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Caucasian
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 5 - West LA
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** B.A., University of California, Berkeley
7. **Occupation/profession:** Boardmember, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles & Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project Los Angeles County
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
Unger, Catherine	West LA	5	Caucasian	F	6/30/2023
Olatunji, Asantewa	South LA	10	African American	F	6/30/2027
Gallardo, Evonne	Central	14	Latinx	F	6/30/2023
Ho, Thien	Central	1	API	F	6/30/2026
Jimenez, Ray	West LA	5	Latinx	M	6/30/2027
Paquette, Eric	Central	4	Caucasian	M	6/30/2024
Vinson, Robert	North Valley	12	Latinx	M	6/30/2025

Catherine Lavine Unger

Cathy Unger is a native Angelino who grew up in the Hollywood Hills and graduated from Hollywood High School. She received her B.A. from the University of California at Berkeley in 1969.

Cathy has managed her own business as a Public Affairs Consultant in the political, corporate and non-profit arena for over 40 years. She has represented municipal and corporate entities as well as Governors, U.S. Senators, local elected officials and candidates.

She currently serves on the board of Planned Parenthood Los Angeles and Chairs the Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project Los Angeles County.

Cathy is on the UC Berkeley Board of Trustees and is on their Executive Committee. She is the outgoing Chair of the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley and is a Founder of Friends of the University, a political advocacy group for the University of California.

She is the former President of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and former co-chair of the Los Angeles Women's Political Committee. She has served on the boards of the California Community Foundation and the American Jewish Committee.

Cathy Unger is married to Leonard Unger. They have two grown children and six grandchildren.



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Dear Ms. Unger:

I am pleased to inform you that I am reappointing you to the Board of Cultural Affairs 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, Katy Yaroslavsky, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez, the Chair of the Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment 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 Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment 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
Ms. Catherine Unger
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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 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 Katy Yaroslavsky
- ☐ Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

III. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- ☐ Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee Hearing
- ☐ Full Council Hearing