

Coalition on Regional Equity Boards and Commissions Leadership Institute 2011 Priority Seats

The priority boards and commissions identified by CORE and its partners are described below, arranged geographically as follows: City of Sacramento, County of Sacramento, City/County of Sacramento Joint Authority (including Redevelopment Advisory Commissions), City of West Sacramento, and Yolo County.

An organization may nominate candidates toward one or more seats on this list. An organization may also nominate:

- A candidate to a seat not on the list, as long as the organization can articulate its interest in the seat and the ability to support the candidate if appointed to the seat. The organization should, in its nomination letter, articulate how the seat fits in with the CORE focus areas of land use/built environment, housing, transportation, community health, or a combination of the areas. The seat should be within the six county Sacramento region (El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties); if outside the cities and counties listed in the opening paragraph, please also include in the nomination letter how the organization can support the candidate in the appointment process.
- A recently seated commissioner to a board or commission on the list, or not on the list and meeting the above requirements.
- A candidate that your organization is already assisting to apply for a seat on this list, or not on the list and meeting the above requirements.

If you have any questions or would like more information on any of the priority seats listed, please contact us using the contact information listed at the end of this document. This document provides a snapshot of priority seats, and is subject to change.

City of Sacramento

City of Sacramento Parks and Recreation Commission

- Meets monthly on the first Thursday at 7:00 PM in the 2nd Floor Hearing Room of Historic City Hall at 915 I Street.
- There are 11 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- A current vacancy exists for a representative of District 7 (D. Fong), with additional vacancies possible in early 2012 in other districts.

The commission provides recommendations and advice to the City Council and the Department of Parks and Recreation on policies, projects, and other matters pertaining to parks, recreation, trees, and human services affecting the City of Sacramento referred to the Commission by the City Council, the Director of Parks and Recreation, the community or members of the Commission.

City of Sacramento Planning Commission

- Meets twice monthly on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers at New City Hall, located at 915 I Street.
- There are 11 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- There is currently an opening for a resident in District 7 (D. Fong). There may be three additional vacancies in January 2012, when current first terms for commissioners representing Districts 1 (Ashby), 2 (Sheedy), and 3 (Cohn) end.

This commission is charged with the following tasks: develop and maintain the General Plan and specific plans as may be necessary; make recommendations to the City Council on zoning ordinance amendments, zone changes, tentative subdivision and parcel maps; make environmental impact report recommendations and determinations on various projects; act upon applications for special permits and variances, and other functions the city council provides.

City of Sacramento Transportation Programming Guide Community Advisory Committee

- Meets when necessary to perform the duties outlined below. Meetings take place in room CH1217 on the 1st floor of New City Hall, located at 915 I Street.
- There are 11 seats. Terms are 3 years.
- Current vacancies include representatives from Districts 4 (R. Fong), 5 (Schenirer), 6 (McCarty) and 8 (Pannell). Anticipated vacancies include representatives for Districts 2 (Sheedy), 3 (Cohn), and 7 (D. Fong) in March 2012.

The committee provides for balanced, representative citizen feedback throughout the development of the Transportation Programming Guide, and advises City staff during the development of the Transportation Programming Guide regarding: (a) criteria used for ranking projects; and (b) appropriateness of existing and new projects in each program area.

County of Sacramento

County of Sacramento Planning Commission

- Meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 5:30 PM in the Board Chambers (Suite 1450) of the County Administration Building, located at 700 H Street.
- There are 5 seats. Terms are 2 years.
- Anticipated vacancies include representatives for Districts 1 (Serna) and 3 (Peters) when current terms expire at the end of January 2012 (though current commissions could be reappointed).

The Sacramento County Planning Commissions is a five-member commission appointed by the Board of Supervisors to hear land use, zoning and related policy issues. Some actions taken by the County Planning Commission are final unless appealed to the Board of Supervisors. This typically applies to smaller or single-entitlement applications such as rezones, use permits and variances. Some actions are sent as recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for final deliberation; these would include land use policy issues such as community plan amendments, general plan amendments and multi-entitlement applications.

County of Sacramento Public Health Advisory Board

- Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 12:00 to 1:30 PM in the Community Room at the Primary Care Clinic located at 4600 Broadway.
- There are 12 to 15 seats. Terms are 3 years.
- Anticipated vacancies include seats for Community Members (3 seats opening in January 2012), Public Health Professionals (1 seat opening January 2012), and Health Care Practitioners (1 seat opening January 2012), and Public Health/Health Care Practitioner (1 seat opening January 2012).

Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board has as its primary role advising the Board of Supervisors and/or the Human Services Coordinating Council in all major policy matters concerning the nature, scope and extent of public health. In that role the PHAB identifies local needs and priorities, encourages the development of appropriate services, and acts as a forum for issues regarding public health and primary care.

City/County of Sacramento Joint Authority

Sacramento City/County Bicycle Advisory Committee

- Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM at the County Office at 906 G Street.
- There are 12 seats. Terms are 3 years.
- Current vacancies include 2 seats for City of Sacramento residents representing the public at large (any district).

The committee is charged with overseeing the implementation of the adopted 2010 Sacramento City/County Bikeway Master Plan. The duties of BAC will include advise staff and Council/Board on implementation of bicycle facilities included in the Bikeway Master Plan; assist in program development in areas of bicycle safety, education, registration, law enforcement, etc.; review and discuss current bicycling issues and advise staff and Council/Board; determine need for periodic updates of Bikeway Master Plan and assist in preparing updates and presentation; and provide for public participation and involvement with respect to bikeway implementation, programs and other bicycling matters addressed by the Committee.

Sacramento Environmental Commission

- Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:00 PM in the main conference room at 10590 Armstrong Avenue in Mather, CA. The meetings in January, April, July and October are held in the County Board of Supervisors' Chambers at 700 H Street at 6:30 PM.
- There are 9 seats. Terms are 3 years.
- Anticipated vacancies include a representative residing in the City of Sacramento (anticipated vacancy following current term expiration in November 2011).

The commission advises the City Council and the Board of Supervisors with respect to needs for effective implementation of an environmental management program; aids and advises the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department in the formulation and implementations of its programs, including consideration of air quality, environmental health, and hazardous materials control within the boundaries of Sacramento County; assesses the impact of state and federal requirements and regulations; reviews and approves contents of proposed ordinances, rules and regulations.

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission

- Meets twice monthly on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 PM in the Commission Room at SHRA, located at 801 12th Street.
- There are 11 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- Anticipated vacancies include a representative living in Sacramento County (one member will term out at the end of 2012).

The commission is charged with advising the City Council and the Board of Supervisors on housing and redevelopment programs for the city and county.

Sacramento Regional Transit District Mobility Advisory Council

- Meets the first Thursday of every month, at 2:30 p.m. in the Regional Transit Auditorium, at 1400 29th Street, Sacramento.
- There are up to 21 seats, 15 representing organizations/agencies which provide services to or advocate for persons with disabilities or older adults, and 6 representing individuals with disabilities and older adults. Terms are unspecified.
- Current vacancies exist for organizational representatives, with vacancies anticipated for public members during 2011.

The object and purpose of the Mobility Advisory Council is to advise RT on system accessibility features and improvements, provide communication between RT and key stakeholder groups whose interests are representing persons with disabilities and older adults, and represent public transportation interest areas for persons with disabilities and older adults. The Council's annual work plan links accessibility issues with larger customer-oriented decisions, such as fare changes, customer information, and service plans.

City of West Sacramento

City of West Sacramento Economic Development Advisory Commission

- Meets on the last Wednesday of the month at 6PM in the Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 1 year, at which time commissioners may reapply for appointment.
- Vacancies are announced each November, and applications are accepted through the month of December each year for the following year.

This commission acts in an advisory capacity to the council on matters concerning general economic development, marketing, and business relations. Specific areas of involvement include: provide comment on the annual Business Retention and Recruitment reports, work with the chamber of commerce on programs of mutual interest, review and comment on the Development Assistance Policy, advise the council on issues pending before them related to transportation, including light rail and other means of public transportation expansion/improvements in the city, comment on regional transportation plans, comment on parking plans as it relates to business development, and make recommendations on telecommunication studies and policies that the council may be considering.

City of West Sacramento Housing Advisory Commission

- Meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6PM in the Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 1 year, at which time commissioners may reapply for appointment.
- Vacancies are announced each November, and applications are accepted through the month of December each year for the following year.

This commission acts in an advisory capacity to the council, redevelopment agency and staff in their mission to encourage diverse, high-quality residential neighborhoods and the development of affordable housing; provides community input on housing issues and obligations and may have input on financing, relocation, site selection and rehabilitation plans. Specific areas of involvement include: geographic areas of greatest affordable housing needs; housing legislative issues; marketing strategies for housing programs.

City of West Sacramento Parks and Recreation Commission

- Meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6PM in the Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 1 year, at which time commissioners may reapply for appointment.
- Vacancies are announced each November, and applications are accepted through the month of December each year for the following year.

This commission acts in an advisory capacity to the Council in any matter or issue affecting the well being, enhancement, and/or enrichment of the citizens; acts in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to use, maintenance, improvement and development of city parks. Special interests may include recreation and leisure services and human services.

City of West Sacramento Planning Commission

- Meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 6PM in the Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 1 year, at which time commissioners may reapply for appointment.
- Vacancies are announced each November, and applications are accepted through the month of December each year for the following year.

This commission has the powers and duties prescribed by city ordinance and state statute, including Planning and Zoning law, the Subdivision Map Act, CEQA; is designated as the board of permit appeals for decisions of the zoning administrator; is the board of zoning adjustment.

Yolo County

Yolo County Health Council

- Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 8:00 to 10:00 AM in the Thomson Room at 137 N. Cottonwood Street in Woodland.
- There are 17 voting seats (and 13 non-voting). Terms are 4 years.
- Current vacancies include District 1 (McGowan), 2 seats in District 3 (Rexroad), 2 seats in District 4 (Provenza), and 2 at-large seats for residents of the County.

This committee is the liaison between the Yolo County Board of Supervisors and health systems. It establishes and maintains the area-wide health planning and activities identifying health goals and needs of Yolo County. It aims to develop and improve health services in the county.

Yolo County Parks, Recreation and Wildlife Advisory Committee

- Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Norton Hall, located at 70 Cottonwood Street in Woodland.
- There are 10 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- Current vacancies include District 1 (McGowan) and District 4 (Provenza).

This committee acts in a capacity to the Board of Supervisors and the Director of Parks and Resources, and it studies and reviews plans and programs for the long-term development of a County Park Master Plan. It is also working on the development of a regional park system.

Yolo County Planning Commission

- Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 8:30 AM in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, located at 625 Court Street in Woodland.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- Anticipated vacancies include the seat for District 1 (McGowan), whose current representative has a term ending in January 2012.

This commission helps develop and maintain a county general plan; to prepare specific plans based on the general plan and drafts of such regulations, programs and legislation as may be required for the systematic execution of the general plan and to recommend such plans and measures to the board of Supervisors for adoption; to hold a public hearing on any proposed zoning ordinance or amendment to a zoning ordinance and, after the hearing, to render a decision in the form of a written recommendation to the Board of Supervisors; to hear and decide applications for conditional uses or criteria for determining such matters, and applications for variances from the terms of the zoning ordinance; to periodically review the capital improvement program of the county; and to perform such other functions as the Board of Supervisors may provide.

Yolo County Transportation Advisory Committee

- Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 4:30 to 5:30 PM in Cache Creek Conference Room located at 292 W. Beamer Street in Woodland.
- There are 7 seats. Terms are 4 years.
- Current vacancies include representatives for District 2 (McGowan) and District 3 (Rexroad).

This committee reviews and recommends the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP) and the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. It advises the County on road and bridge problems, bike paths and bike traffic and assures that all transportation systems are compatible.