

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
OF THE GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Cerritos Senior Center
12340 South Street, Cerritos
May 26, 2004**

President Colonna called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

President Colonna requested that each person present state his name and organization. Roll was taken in that manner.

PRESENT: President Frank Colonna, Vice President Edward H. J. Wilson, Member Gene Daniels, Member Hector De La Torre, Member Robert Hughlett, Member Bonnie Lowenthal, Member Keith McCarthy, Member Larry R. Nelson, Member Greg Nordbak, Member Wayne Piercy, Member Gordon Stefenhagen, Member Betty Putnam.

ABSENT: Member Don Knabe, Member Beatrice Proo.

ALSO PRESENT: Bellflower City Councilmember John Pratt; Signal Hill City Manager Ken Farfsing; Pico Rivera Assistant to the City Manager Debbie Lopez; Jeannine Critie, Office of Long Beach Councilmember Frank Colonna; GCCOG Legal Counsel Robert Messinger; GCCOG Executive Director Richard Powers; GCCOG Deputy Executive Director Jack Joseph; GCCOG.

Member Putnam led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Member Piercy stated that a mistake had been made causing Lakewood to fail to meet the nomination deadline for the Executive Committee, but that the City had intended to self-nominate. He said that he would like to make a motion to have Lakewood included in the list of nominations. The COG General Counsel stated that the Executive Committee has the authority to suspend the rule governing the deadline to submit nominations. President Colonna said that the ballots allow for write-in nominations and that Lakewood could be written in when the members of the Nominating Committee fill out their ballots.

President Colonna suggested that the Executive Committee take up Agenda Item D regarding the establishment of a date for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors first. It was the consensus of the Executive Committee to take up Item D.

Member Proo arrived at the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

The Executive Director suggested June 30 as a date for the Annual Meeting since it was the fifth Wednesday of June and should not conflict with any scheduled city council meetings. After discussion among the Executive Committee members, it was moved by President Colonna, seconded by Member Putnam, to schedule the Annual Meeting for

June 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cerritos Senior Citizens Center. The motion was approved unanimously.

President Colonna announced that now was the time to consider nominations for President of the Board of Directors. It was moved by Member McCarthy, seconded by Member Nordbak, to nominate Vice President Wilson for President. There were no other nominations. The General Counsel distributed ballots to the Nominating Committee members. After the ballots were returned, the General Counsel announced that Vice President Wilson had been nominated on the ballots of all 13 Nominating Committee members present.

President Colonna announced that now was the time to consider nominations for Vice President of the Board of Directors. Member Putnam nominated Member Nordbak. Member Lowenthal nominated Member Nelson. It was moved by Member McCarthy, seconded by Member Hughlett, to close the nominations. The motion was approved unanimously. The General Counsel distributed ballots to the Nominating Committee members. After the ballots were returned, President Colonna asked the Signal Hill City Manager and Pico Rivera Assistant to the City Manager to canvass the ballots. Upon return of the ballots, the General Counsel announced that Member Nordbak had received 8 votes, and Member Nelson had received 5 votes, meaning that Member Nordbak had received the nomination for Vice President.

President Colonna announced that now was the time to consider nominations for the Executive Committee. He said that the ballots listed the cities that had self-nominated and that there was space for write-in nominations. The General Counsel distributed ballots to the Nominating Committee members. After the ballots were returned, President Colonna asked the Signal Hill City Manager and Pico Rivera Assistant to the City Manager to canvass the ballots. Upon return of the ballots, the General Counsel announced the following results:

City of Artesia	13 votes
City of Cerritos	13 votes
City of Downey	13 votes
City of Norwalk	13 votes
City of Paramount	13 votes
City of Pico Rivera	13 votes
City of Long Beach	12 votes
City of Lakewood	11 votes
City of Santa Fe Springs	11 votes
City of South Gate	10 votes
City of Bellflower	8 votes

The General Counsel announced that the cities of Artesia, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate had been nominated to the Executive Committee.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:02 p.m.