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Hilary Norton and Bob Alvarado Named as Chair and Vice Chair of the California Transportation Commission

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — At its August 12, 2020 meeting, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) elected Hilary Norton as its Chair and Bob Alvarado as its Vice Chair, effective immediately.

“As Chair, my highest priority is to be a good steward of billions of dollars in transportation funds and ensure that ‘promises made are promises kept,’” Ms. Norton said. “My other top goals are to build stronger partnerships with transportation agencies, advocates, and community members; support innovation to implement a clean mobility network; enhance all modes of transportation, while rebuilding transit ridership; strengthen our goods movement network; and increase public engagement to ensure equity for all. I look forward to the Commission’s upcoming equity roundtables and listening sessions to hear from stakeholders and the public how we as a Commission can ensure equity in our transportation system for all.”



Hilary Norton was appointed to the Commission by Governor Gavin Newsom in September of 2019. She brings with her more than 28 years of experience in transportation and community development. As founding Executive Director of Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic (FAST) and FASTLinkDTLA, Ms. Norton has mobilized a diverse coalition of business, labor, civic groups, educational institutions, and transit organizations to support policy and infrastructure improvements to Los Angeles’s mobility, livability, and economic prosperity. She is co-Chair of the Transportation and Goods Movement Policy Council of the LA Chamber of Commerce. She served as 2018 chairwoman of the Los Angeles County Business Federation and is on the Board of Directors of the Central City Association. Ms. Norton also served as the Business Representative on Los Angeles County Metro’s Policy Advisory Committee and was a member of the Advisory Boards for Metro’s Office of Extraordinary Innovation and Metro’s Next Gen Bus Study. She is a member of the Southern California Association of Government’s Global Land Use and Economic (GLUE) Council and its Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Working Group. Ms. Norton also is a Director for the Orthopaedic Institute for Children, which provides world class health care to all children regardless of ability to pay, and she is a board member of the Leo Buscaglia Foundation. Ms. Norton holds a Bachelor of Arts from Wellesley College and a Master in Public Policy from Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government.

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Bob Alvarado was appointed to the Commission by Governor Schwarzenegger in 2006 and 2010. He was reappointed by Governor Brown in 2014 and 2018.

He is the Executive Officer of the Northern California Carpenters Regional Council, which represents over 35,000 men and women in carpentry and related crafts. He was first elected in 2001 and was elected to a fourth term in August of 2013.

Mr. Alvarado has negotiated four multi-year Carpenters Master Agreements for Northern California. He led the creation of the Basic Crafts Workers Compensation Fund, an insurance program that utilizes Alternative Dispute Resolution to improve service to workers and reduce costs to employers of carpenters, laborers, and operating engineers.

Mr. Alvarado serves as co-chairman of the Corporate Board for the Carpenters' Funds Administrative Office, overseeing combined assets of over \$5.5 billion.

Previously, Mr. Alvarado was a member of the board of the State Compensation Insurance Fund and the Contractors State License Board.

The Commission conducted the meeting today via a public teleconference in accordance with Governor Newsom's March 17, 2020 Executive Order N-29-20 addressing the conduct of public meetings during periods when public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures. The meeting will continue through August 13.

The California Transportation Commission is an independent public agency responsible for programming and allocating state and federal transportation funds used in the construction of highway, intercity passenger rail, active transportation, transit, and aeronautic improvements throughout California.

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