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February 18, 2026

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**SUBJECT:** Citizens Oversight Committee – Three (3) Appointments

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Approve Appointments to the Citizens Oversight Committee (COC)

**SUMMARY:**

On January 7, 2026, staff posted the application on the SMART website and advertised three upcoming positions via a press release, email blast, and social media. SMART accepted applications through February 3, 2026.

On January 21, 2026, the Board established an Ad Hoc Committee to review applications and recommend appointments to the COC. The Ad Hoc committee consisted of the following: Directors Cader Thompson & Kelley.

The Ad Hoc Committee met on February 3, 2026, to review 16 applications. They recommended the following applicants:

1. Jane Gould, Marin County (3-year term)
2. Brian Zweir, Sonoma County (3-year term)
3. David J. Kelley, Sonoma County (3-year term)

The Ad Hoc Committee recommends the Board appoint these individuals to the Citizens Oversight Committee. The next COC meeting is March 25, 2026, at 1:30pm – SMART Petaluma Office, 5401 Old Redwood Highway, 1st Floor, Petaluma.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Eddy Cumins  
General Manager

**Attachment(s):** 1.) COC Recommended Applicants Summary

**On File with Clerk:** Citizens Oversight Committee Applications

## CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

### Recommended Applicants Summary

<b>Name: Gould, Jane</b>	<b>County: Marin</b>
<p><i>Summary of qualifications related to COC duties:</i>  Familiar with transportation strategic plans. Experience with commuter and passenger studies. Understand capital planning for transit agencies. Member of TAM COC (alternate) and Marin Transit Paratransit. Post Doctorate - Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Irvine. UCLA Transportation Program, Developer; Instructor and Curriculum Design :TRIPPS Program. Navigating by Smartphone. Presentations and Papers: Social Experiment to Encourage Drive-Along Commuters to Try Transit, with J. Zjou, Transportation Research Record. Transportation Research Board, A Social Experiment to Encourage Drive-Along Commuters to Try Transit. Transportation Research Board, Fourth International Conference on Women's Issues in Travel. A Commitment to Continue: The Decision to Take Transit. Transportation Research Board, Presentation. The Commute to Work Using GIS and Survey Data. Fleet Demand for Alternative Fuel Vehicles Among Commercial Fleet Operators. Recent Projects: Electrification Council, Marin County; Marin Paratransit Committee Member; Transportation Authority of Marin Citizens Committee-Alternate.</p>	
<b>Name: Zweir, Brian</b>	<b>County: Sonoma</b>
<p><i>Summary of qualifications related to COC duties:</i>  25 years of federal experience in contracting, finance, budgeting, and capital project oversight with the U.S. Coast Guard. Administered approximately \$24 million annually in federal contracts under the Federal Acquisition Regulations, with responsibility for financial compliance, performance oversight, and accountability for public funds. Experience reviewing and managing budgets, monitoring capital development projects, and auditing programs to ensure transparency, accuracy, and adherence to governing regulations. Served as a Mass Transit Financial Auditor on a multi-agency special project that modernized and digitized a federal transit reimbursement system adopted nationally across the Coast Guard. Responsible for communicating complex financial and strategic information to leadership, community stakeholders, and partner agencies. Member of Veterans Service Organization; Golden Gate CPOA; Redwood Empire Food Bank Volunteer; Petaluma Health Cener Volunteer; and others.</p>	
<b>Name: Kelley, David J.</b>	<b>County: Sonoma</b>
<p><i>Summary of qualifications related to COC duties:</i>  30 years senior public-sector leadership and oversight experience across Sonoma and Marin counties, with a career focused on transparent governance, fiscal stewardship, infrastructure planning and community accountability. Cloverdale City Manager (2018-2024). Project Manager - Town of Ross, leading complex, multi-year capital planning and facilities maser planning efforts involving public safety infrastructure, long-range financial modeling, and community engagement. Experience reviewing and presenting budgets, capital improvement programs, consultant reports, and strategic planning documents to elected bodies and the public. I have overseen the development of multi-year financial forecasts, evaluated funding mechanisms (including sales tax measures, bonds, and special districts), and worked closely with auditors, finance directors, and legal counsel to ensure compliance, accuracy, and transparency. served on regional boards and committees, through my role as City Manager, , regional transportation authorities, and other interagency bodies.</p>	