



Executive Director's
Report to the
Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2012

FROM: EXTERNAL RELATIONS

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ FOR THE APPROVAL OF
CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

SUMMARY:

As required by the Port of Los Angeles Community Advisory Committee (PCAC) By-laws, the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board) is being asked to approve changes in the PCAC membership for the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce (HAIC).

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners:

1. Approve Michael Crehan as the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce voting member;
2. Approve Scott Kurtz to remain as the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce alternate member; and
3. Adopt Resolution No. _____.

DISCUSSION:

Background – The PCAC was established as a standing committee of the Board. PCAC's organization, structure, and membership were approved in a series of actions by the Board in 2001.

The PCAC membership consists of a variety of stakeholder groups in the San Pedro, Wilmington, and Harbor City communities which represent neighborhood councils, resident groups, business and industry groups, organized labor, and education. As stated in the PCAC By-laws, all voting members and alternates shall be nominated by their respective organizations or appointing authorities and approved by the Board.

The HAIC has advised the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) of their desire to appoint Michael Crehan as the new HAIC voting representative to the PCAC, replacing Donald Norton, who has served as the voting member since May 2009. It is also their desire to have Scott Kurtz remain as the alternate representative as stated in the attached letter dated January 6, 2012 (Transmittal 1).

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These actions are consistent with the Board's directions to participating organizations regarding changes in representation as determined by a vote of the organization.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is approval of changes in the PCAC membership for the HAIC. As an administrative activity, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II, Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS:

This Board action will have no employment effect.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

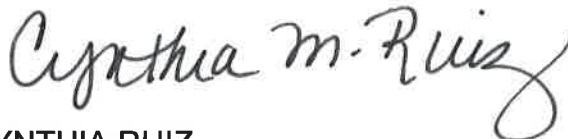
Approval of the proposed PCAC membership change is not expected to have a financial impact upon the Harbor Department.

CITY ATTORNEY:

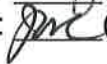
The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this Board Report and finds that it raises no legal issues at this time.

TRANSMITTAL:

1. January 6, 2012, letter from the HAIC



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Deputy Executive Director

FIS Approval:  (initials)
CA Approval:  (initials)

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January 6, 2012

Ms. Cynthia Ruiz
Deputy Executive Director
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Subject: Port Community Advisory Committee Representative

Dear Ms. Ruiz:

This is to advise that one of our Harbor Association of Industry & Commerce (HAIC), representatives to the Port Community Advisory Committee (PCAC), Don Norton, must resign due to press of business.

On January 5, 2012, the HAIC Board unanimously elected Michael Crehan, PSOMAS to serve as its principal representative to PCAC. Scott Kurtz will remain as our alternate representative. A bio of Mr. Crehan is enclosed.

Please advise when this matter has been taken up with the Board of Harbor Commissioners and Mike Crehan can begin to attend meetings. He can be contacted at PSOMAS 555 S. Flower Street, #4400, Los Angeles, CA 90071, Phone: 213.223.1400, Email: mcrehan@psomas.com.

HAIC looks forward to continuing to work with PCAC.

Sincerely,

Monika Wegener
Executive Director

Transmittal No. 1

Mike Crehan

Mike Crehan is a Principal at Psomas, an engineering consulting firm founded and based in Los Angeles over 65 years ago. After graduating from California State University Los Angeles in 1981, he served in the United States Marine Corps for six and a half years as an artillery officer leaving as a Captain. Mr. Crehan then started his engineering career rising through the ranks as a designer, project engineer, project manager, and principal. He has worked on and delivered a wide range of both public and private projects including infrastructure, housing, facilities, and transportation. This has included design responsibility for literally hundreds of miles of utilities and roadway, and hundreds of site related projects. Over his 13 years with Psomas, Mr. Crehan has become an expert in the processes and intricacies of engineering in the City of Los Angeles. Mr. Crehan has been on the Board of Directors of the Harbor Association of Industry and Commerce for the past two years