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**Re: SBCCOG Endorsement of Hermosa Beach Councilmember Justin Massey for AQMD
Governing Board Vacancy**

At its October meeting, the South Bay Cities Council of Governments' (SBCCOG) Board of Directors voted to endorse Hermosa Beach Councilmember Justin Massey for the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (AQMD) Governing Board, representing the cities in the western region of Los Angeles County.

Councilmember Massey is running to fill the seat being vacated by retiring Governing Board Member Judy Mitchell, Councilmember from Rolling Hills Estates. Judy has served on the AQMD Governing Board since 2010 and has endorsed Justin in the race. Justin has extensive experience as an environmental lawyer and Hermosa Beach Councilmember and has worked to address environmental issues throughout his life. A fact sheet with Justin's experience has been attached.

The SBCCOG Board urges your Council to formally endorse Councilmember Justin Massey for the AQMD Governing Board. In the coming weeks, LA County's City Selection Committee will call a meeting during which a representative for each city will vote to fill the seat. When the meeting is scheduled, please be sure that your city is represented by your Mayor or an authorized proxy.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Jacki@southbaycities.org or (310) 371-7222.

Sincerely,

Olivia Valentine, SBCCOG Chair
Councilmember, City of Hawthorne

Enclosure

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN ACTION

Carson El Segundo Gardena Hawthorne Hermosa Beach Inglewood Lawndale Lomita
Manhattan Beach Palos Verdes Estates Rancho Palos Verdes Redondo Beach Rolling Hills
Rolling Hills Estates Torrance Los Angeles District #15 Los Angeles County



PROFILE

My wife Jenn and I grew up in Southern California. We care about clean air for our family and yours.

As Mayor Pro Tem of Hermosa Beach, I support infrastructure and planning that lowers the city's operating costs, cleans its air, and makes it more resilient.

As an Environmental Lawyer, I help public agencies across the country make polluters, not taxpayers, pay to clean up contamination.

Air pollution causes premature death, respiratory and heart disease, cancer, school and work absences, diminished quality of life, and other negative impacts with billions of dollars in public health and economic costs.

I support AQMD's efforts to clean our air, achieve environmental justice, and improve public health & the economy.

EDUCATION

JD. Univ. Oregon (2003). Env'tl. Law.
AB. Brown University (1993). Amer. Lit.

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Justin Massey

for AQMD Governing Board

- ✓ Mayor Pro Tem, Hermosa Beach
- ✓ Director, South Bay Cities COG

SELECT ENDORSEMENT

Hon. Judy Mitchell (Incumbent)

- ✓ AQMD Governing Board, W Region, LA County (Incumbent)
- ✓ California Air Resources Board, AQMD Member
- ✓ Council Member, Rolling Hills Estates

EXPERIENCE

Partner, Miller & Axline

- ✓ Saved Taxpayers Over \$350 Million in Pollution Costs Since 2015
- ✓ Selected Clients: Orange County Water District (OCWD), Crescenta Valley Water District, State of NJ, State of Maryland
- ✓ Selected Cases: OCWD v. Alcoa (2017) 12 Cal.App.5th 252, OCWD v. Sabic (2017) 14 Cal.App.5th 343

Mayor Pro Tem/Councilmember/Mayor, Hermosa Beach (2015-Present)

- ✓ 100 KW Community Center Solar Project - Completed 2017
- ✓ PLAN Hermosa (General Plan/Local Coastal Plan) - Adopted 2017
- ✓ 35+ EV Charging Stations - Completed 2019
- ✓ Solar-Ready Fire Station - Completed 2020
- ✓ Hermosa Avenue Living Street - Completion Expected 2020
- ✓ Net Zero North School - Completion Expected 2021



Unveiling the Hermosa Beach Community Center Solar Project (2017)

L to R: Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Duclos, Mayor Justin Massey, Councilmember Stacey Armato, Councilmember Hany Fangary

Member, SCAG General Assembly (2015-2019)

- ✓ Accepted SCAG's Integrated Planning Award in 2018 for PLAN Hermosa (<https://vimeo.com/265666027>)

Director, South Bay Cities COG (2018-Present)

- ✓ Support South Bay Fiber Network, Energy, Transportation, and Environmental Advocacy