



**MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA**  
CITY OF LONG BEACH

August 13, 2019

MEMBERS OF THE PERSONNEL AND CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION:

To receive Charter Commission appointments pursuant to Section 509 of the City Charter and Section 2.03.065 of the Long Beach Municipal Code.

DISCUSSION:

**Appointments**

**Ethics Commission**

- *Susan Wise*– Auditor Appointee - First Term through July 2023

Susan E. Anderson Wise is an attorney and has been a Long Beach resident since 1974. She has served as a Port of Long Beach Harbor Commissioner and as a Governing Boardmember of the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority. Susan has been awarded the Soroptimist International of Long Beach Award, Woman of Distinction Award; Long Beach Bar Association, Lawyer of the Year Award; and Legal Aid Foundation of Long Beach, Sommelier d'Esprit Award. She received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Chicago.

- *James Shotwell*– Auditor Appointee - First Term through July 2023

James Shotwell has been a resident of Long Beach for the past 13 years. He is Director, Corporate Compliance & Information Governance at Southern California Edison. He is responsible for the promotion of an ethical culture and the development, implementation and oversight of company-wide programs for compliance management, affiliate compliance, privacy compliance, information governance, and policy management. James received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Arizona College of Law and is a part of the Ethics and Compliance Initiative (formerly ECOA).

- *Kimmy Maniquis* – Mayor Appointee – First Term through July 2023

Kimmy Maniquis is the former Executive Director of CCEJ, the California Conference for Equality and Justice, an organization based in Long Beach that works to transform individuals and communities, heal conflicts and build unity. She has over a decade of service to CCEJ, having led its flagship youth programs including Building Bridges Camp and other programs throughout Southern California. She currently serves on the Human Relations Commission.

*Som Rathmeny Eare (Laura Som) – Mayor Appointee – First Term through July 2023*

Laura was 10 years old when she immigrated to Long Beach from a refugee camp in Cambodia. She founded the MAYE Center which promotes individual healing through time-old techniques of meditation, gardening, yoga, and education. She is the co-chair of Equity for Cambodians to End Gerrymandering. Laura has a Biochemistry Degree from the University of Riverside.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mayor Robert Garcia  
City of Long Beach  
Dated: August 9, 2019