



## Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution appointing Stormwater/Environmental Compliance Officer Melissa You as the authorized Board Member to the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority, and appointing Civil Engineer Colin Averill as the authorized Alternate Board Member; and, authorize City Manager, or designee, to designate, in writing, a representative if neither the Member nor the Alternate Member are available. (Citywide)

In 2007, the Gateway Council of Governments formed the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA) to pursue State and national level grant funding opportunities related to water quality projects. GWMA's bylaws require renewal of all appointments every two years.

In accordance with the GWMA bylaws adopted on October 12, 2015, all non-Legislative Body appointments to the GWMA Board must be by a Resolution adopted by the City Council. Legislative Body appointments may be done by minute order.

GWMA Board Members and alternate Board Members serve two-year terms beginning October 1st of each odd-numbered year and concluding on September 30th two years later. The Resolution attached to this report would designate a Board Member and alternate Board Member (s) to serve continuously across successive two-year terms such that the governing body need not re-appoint the same persons to the GWMA Board every two years, unless the governing body desires to changes its designated Board Member and/or Alternate Board Member or must otherwise fill a vacancy.

Staff recommend appointing Melissa You, Stormwater/Environmental Compliance Officer, as the primary GWMA Board Member, and appointing Colin Averill, Civil Engineer, as the alternate Board Member. Mrs. You was hired in August 2017 to serve as the City's Stormwater/Environmental Compliance Officer and has the experience necessary to fulfill the requirements of the position.

The City of Long Beach (City) has been an active participant since the formation of the GWMA. Currently, Melissa You, Stormwater/Environmental Compliance Officer, is the primary Board Member, with Alvin Papa, former City Engineer, designated as the alternate.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on May 20, 2021 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on June 14, 2021.

City Council action is requested on July 6, 2021, to ensure the City continues to be represented

on the GWMA's Board.

This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no fiscal or local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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