

# SOLANO COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

**AMENDED**

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

6:00 PM

[Zoom Meeting](#)

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## **AGENDA**

1. **Roll Call/Call to Order**
2. **Public Comment**  
*(Members of the public may address the Committee on matters not listed on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the committee.)*
3. **Business:**
  - A. Approve the Minutes of the March 17, 2021 City Selection Committee meeting. *(See attached draft minutes)*
  - B. Consider the replacement of one (1) representative from the city of Vallejo to serve on the Airport Land Use Commission for the existing term ending May 6, 2024 and review appointment selection process per letters from Supervisor Jim Spering and Airport Land Use Commission Chairman J. W. Seiden. *(See attached letters)*
  - C. Discussion and review of other appointments as needed. *(See attached Appointment List)*
4. **Adjourn to the next meeting on September 15, 2021**

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6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

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## **DRAFT MINUTES**

### **1. Roll Call/Call to Order**

Chair Lori Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Present were the Mayor of Benicia Steve Young, Mayor of Fairfield Harry T. Price, Mayor of Rio Vista Ron Kott, Mayor of Suisun City Lori Wilson, Mayor of Dixon Steve Bird; Mayor of Vallejo Robert McConnell (6:02 p.m.) and Mayor of Vacaville Ron Rowlett (6:18 p.m.)

### **2. Public Comment**

There were no members of the public present on the Zoom Meeting call.

At 6:02 p.m. Mayor Robert McConnell is now in attendance.

### **3. Business:**

A. Approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2020 City Selection Committee meeting.

***On motion of Mayor Kott, and seconded by Mayor Price, the Committee acted to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2020 meeting. So ordered by 5-0 vote with Mayor Young abstaining and Mayor Ron Rowlett absent.***

B. Appoint one (1) Mayor to serve as primary representative and one Mayor to serve as alternate representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board for term ending June 30, 2023.

Chair Wilson stated she would like to extend her term for one additional year; however, she will be unable to serve the second year of the term. Chair Wilson requested the committee approve her reappointment, and direct staff to fill the remainder of the term in June 2022.

***On motion of Chair Wilson, and seconded by Mayor Price, the Committee acted to appoint Mayor Wilson as primary representative and Mayor Young to serve as alternate representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board for term ending June 30, 2023. So ordered by 6-0 vote with Mayor Ron Rowlett absent***

C. Appoint one (1) Mayor as primary member and one (1) Mayor as alternate member to the Solano Consolidated Oversight Board for a term ending June 30, 2022.

***On motion of Mayor Kott, and seconded by Mayor Price, the Committee acted to appoint Mayor Wilson as primary representative and Mayor Kott, as alternate member to the Solano Consolidated Oversight Board for a term ending June 30, 2022. So ordered by 6-0 vote with Mayor Ron Rowlett absent***

### **4. Discussion and review of other appointments as needed.**

Chair Wilson stated she was elected as Second Vice President on the North Bay Division of the League of California Cities Executive Committee, leaving the City Selection Committee appointment vacant. She noted this committee is not only for Mayors and recommended the City Selection Committee consider appointing a City Council member instead.

Discussion was held with the Committee deciding to select three individuals, prioritizing them in order from 1-3 and appoint in order of declination from 1-3: 1) Dixon Vice Mayor Jim Ernest; 2) Fairfield City Council Member Doriss Panduro; and 3) City of Suisun City Mayor Pro Tem Wanda Williams.

At 6:18 p.m. Mayor Ron Rowlett is now in attendance.

*On motion of Mayor Wilson, seconded by Mayor McConnell, the Committee selected the following individuals for consideration to be the representative to the League of California Cities Executive Committee: 1) Dixon Vice Mayor Jim Ernest; 2) Fairfield City Council Member Doriss Panduro; and 3) City of Suisun City Mayor Pro Tem Wanda Williams with an appointment in order of declination from 1-3. So ordered by 7-0 vote.*

**5. Adjourn to the next meeting on June 16, 2021**

This meeting of the City Selection Committee adjourned at 6:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia Draves  
City Selection Committee Secretary  
Chief Deputy Clerk, Solano County Board of Supervisors



# SOLANO COUNTY

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Mayor Lori Wilson  
Chair, Solano County Selection Committee  
c/o City of Suisun  
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April 28, 2021

RE: Solano County Selection Committee Appointment to the Airport Land Use Commission

Dear Mayor Wilson, *Jori*

It has recently come to my attention that Ruth Meyer, a valuable member of the Airport Land Use Commission since 2015, has lost her position as the District 5 Supervisorial representative due to a misunderstanding when the new supervisor took office and filled what he thought was a "vacant" position.

I would like to recommend the Solano County Selection Committee consider appointing Ruth to fill the vacancy of the Vallejo representative at its June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. It has historically been difficult for Vallejo to find a person willing and qualified to serve on this important, technically demanding commission. Ruth Meyer is an outstanding choice. She is a retired Air Force Colonel, and a pilot by profession. As a reservist stationed at Travis AFB during most of the last 20 years, she is very familiar with Solano County, its airports and land use regulations, and an active contributor to the community – serves as a Board of Director for the Leaven as an example. Her pilot and leadership expertise are a major asset to the Airport Land Use Commission, and the commission would like to find a way to retain her.

The Board of Supervisor appointments to this commission are no longer based on residing within the district because there was recognition by Board members of the need to place the priority on the qualifications of the candidate. This is also true for the Mayor's representatives – they are not required to reside in the City, only in the County.

I'm hoping all the Mayors will see appointing Ruth Meyer as a win-win – the Airport Land use Commission will be able to retain a valuable, experienced commissioner and the Mayors Selection Committee will have a highly qualified person to appoint to this hard-to-fill position who is interested in continuing to serve on it.

I would also like to suggest that we try one more time to amend the County Ordinance to reflect a representative from Suisun City rather than Vallejo, due to its location adjacent to Travis Air Force Base, and bring clarity to the benefit of this.

Please feel free to contact me, or my Aide Catherine Cook, who serves on the Airport Land Use Commission, to discuss this further or to obtain contact information for Ruth Meyer.

Sincerely,

James P. Sperring  
Supervisor, District 3

cc Mayor Robert McConnell, Vice Chair, Solano County Selection Committee



## Solano County Airport Land Use Commission

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J.W. Seiden  
Chairman

May 19, 2021

Mayor Lori Wilson,  
Chair, Solano County Selection Committee  
c/o City of Suisun  
701 Civic Center Blvd.  
Suisun City CA 94585

RE: Recommendation of Ruth Meyer for Solano County Selection Committee  
Appointment to the Airport Land Use Commission

Dear Mayor Wilson,

On behalf of the Solano County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC), I would like to forward the name of Ruth Meyer for your consideration to fill the Mayor's vacancy on the commission. Ruth was appointed to the ALUC on November 24, 2015, and has been a very valued member of the commission ever since. We were saddened to learn that through no fault of hers, Ruth lost her spot on the commission. Her term had lapsed under the outgoing District 5 supervisor, so the incoming supervisor appointed a representative to fill an official vacancy.

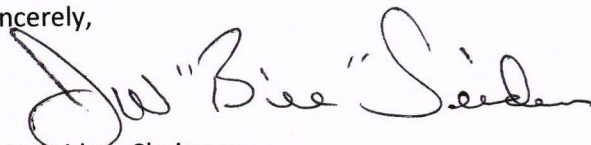
Ruth Meyer is eminently qualified to serve on this technically demanding commission. She is a pilot by profession, has a master's degree in Aerospace Technology, and is a retired Air Force Colonel who served at Travis AFB during most of the last 20 years. She is very familiar with Solano County, its airports and land use regulations – factors that make her such a good fit for the ALUC and hard to replace.

We highly recommend the Solano County Selection Committee consider appointing her to fill the vacancy of the Vallejo representative at its June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. It is our understanding that it has been difficult to find a Vallejo resident willing and qualified to serve on our commission. We ask you to waive the "Vallejo area" preference since Ruth is a resident of Vacaville. Our legal counsel indicates the Mayors appointees are not required to live in the City, only in the County.

In conclusion, I, and all of my fellow commissioners, earnestly request your help in getting Ruth Meyer re-appointed to our commission.

Please feel free to contact me, or our staff planner Jim Leland, if you wish to discuss this further or if you would like contact information for Ruth.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J.W. 'Bee' Seiden". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

J.W. Seiden, Chairman  
Solano County Airport Land Use Commission

cc Mayor McConnell, Vice Chair

# Solano County City Selection Committee Appointments

## Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) – Executive Board

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lori Wilson, representative	Suisun City	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023* (per 3/17/21)
Steve Young, Alternate	Benicia	July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023 (per 3/17/21)

*2-year terms -Representative position only able to serve 7/1/21-6/30/22 – will need to appoint new member in June 2022*

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## ABAG Regional Planning Committee (RPC)

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Robert McConnell	Suisun City	None* (per 12/16/20)

*\*This position serves at the pleasure of the City Selection Committee, no expiration date*

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## Airport Land Use Commission

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Stephen P. Vancil	Fairfield	May 7, 2022 (per 3/20/19)
Dan Sarna	Rio Vista	May 1, 2023 (per 4/18/18)
Thomas Randall	Vacaville	May 6, 2024 (per 12/16/20)*
Andrea Germaine	Vallejo	May 6, 2024 (per 6/17/2020)

*One member from each city containing an airport (Fairfield, Rio Vista, Vacaville) and one member from the City of Vallejo.*

*4 year terms or until a successor is duly appointed and qualified, per County Code 2-602.*

*Term of office expires the first Monday in May.*

*\* Short Term*

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## Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lori Wilson	Suisun City	January 2022 (per 12/18/19)

*2 year term*

*Must be a representative from Benicia, Fairfield, Suisun City or Vallejo*

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## Bay Conservation & Development Commission (BCDC)

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>
Jill Techel, representative	Napa
Dan Hillmer, alternate	Larkspur

*\*Serves at the discretion of ABAG – no expiration date*

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### City County Coordinating Council (4Cs)

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lori Wilson	Suisun City	January 2022 (per 12/16/20)**
Steve Bird	Dixon	January 2022 (per 12/16/20)**

*\*Chair and Vice-Chair serve 2 year terms and then positions rotate between the cities and the county with the Vice-Chair becoming the next Chair.*

*\*\*Short Term*

*2020 – 2022: City to serve as Chair/County as Vice-Chair*

*2022 - 2024: County to serve as Chair/City as Vice-Chair*

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### Delta Protection Commission

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Ron Kott, Primary	Rio Vista	May 1, 2018 – May 1, 2020 (per 4/18/18)
Bob Sampayan, Alternate	Vallejo	May 1, 2018 – May 1, 2020 (per 4/18/18)

*2 year alternating appointments between the counties as shown below based on an MOU between the Contra Costa County City Selection Committee and the Solano County City Selection Committee.*

***May 1, 2018 – May 1, 2020 – Solano County City Selection Committee***

***May 1, 2020 - May 1, 2022 – Contra Costa County City Selection Committee***

***May 1, 2022-May 1, 2024 – Solano County City Selection Committee***

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### Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Ron Rowlett, representative	Vacaville	May 2, 2022 (per 12/19/18)
Harry Price, representative	Fairfield	May 2, 2022 (per 4/18/18)
Ron Kott, alternate	Rio Vista	May 1, 2023 (per 3/20/19)

*4-year term, term of office expires the first Monday in May.*

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### Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
James P. Spering, representative	Suisun City	February 9, 2023 (approved by BOS on 2/5/19)

*3 nominations required to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for one appointment, 4-year term*

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### Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging Oversight Board

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Robert McConnell, representative	Vallejo	November 2, 2022 (per 12/16/20)*
Ron Kott, alternate	Rio Vista	November 2, 2022 (per 12/16/20)*

*4 year terms from appointment date \*Short Term*

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## **North Bay Division of the League of California Cities Executive Committee**

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Jim Ernest, representative	Dixon	December 31, 2023* (per 3/17/21)
Steve Young, representative	Benicia	December 31, 2023 (per 12/16/20)
Ron Kott, alternate 2-year term *Short Term	Rio Vista	December 31, 2023 (per 12/16/20)

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## **Remote Access Network (RAN) Board**

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Robert McConnell, representative	Vallejo	December 31, 2021 (per 12/16/20)

*Meets quarterly – Solano County Sheriff's Department*

*Yearly appointment*

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## **Solano Consolidated Oversight Board**

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lori Wilson, primary	Suisun City	July 1, 2021– June 30, 2022 (per 3/17/21)
Ron Kott, alternate	Rio Vista	July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 (per 3/17/21)

*Meets in the Solano County Board of Supervisors Chambers on the second Thursday of every month*

*Yearly appointment*

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## **Solano County City Selection Committee Chair**

<u>City</u>	<u>Year</u>
Suisun	2021
Vacaville	2020
Rio Vista	2019
Suisun City	2018
Fairfield	2017
Vacaville	2016
Dixon	2015
Benicia	2014
Vallejo	2013
Vacaville	2012
Rio Vista	2011