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Councilmember Gómez Elected as Chair of San Diego Metropolitan Transit System

SAN DIEGO –Today, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board of Directors unanimously elected Councilmember Georgette Gómez as chair, making her the first Chican@ to lead the agency responsible for public transit in San Diego County.

"It is an honor and privilege to serve as Chair of MTS, and I look forward to working with my fellow board members to continue improving our transit network," said Councilmember Gómez.

Councilmember Gómez takes up the mantel of Chair with high hopes and expectations. At the meeting, several public speakers spoke in favor of Councilmember Gómez, highlighting her work in the community and previous leadership on transportation issues.

On Twitter, the City Heights Community Development Corporation (@cityheightscdc) tweeted, "This is a historic moment for communities who ride transit the most. It was an honor to witness this moment and speak in favor of CM Gómez' bid for this well-deserved position. #transportationjustice"

Councilmember Gómez will serve as Chair of MTS for the next two years.

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