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MAYOR

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DATE: June 21, 2016

TO: Honorable Sherri Lightner, Council President  
Honorable Councilmembers

FROM: Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer 

SUBJECT: Appointment to Independent Rates Oversight Committee

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It is my pleasure to appoint Mr. Frederick Kosmo, Mr. David Akin, Mr. Luis Osuna, and Ms. Linh Quach to the Independent Rates Oversight Committee.

Mr. Kosmo is a Partner and business litigation attorney at Wilson Turner Kosmo LLP, with more than 25 years of business litigation experience. He has served as Chair of the Federal Magistrate Judge Appointment and Reappointment Committees, the Board of Directors for the Federal Defenders and Appellate Defenders, and Commissioner on the San Diego City Redistricting Commission. Mr. Kosmo has won several awards, such as the Super Lawyer in Business Litigation award from 2008-2015, and he volunteers with many organizations, including the Make-A-Wish foundation. Mr. Kosmo received a B.A. in Business Economics from the University of California, Santa Barbara and a J.D. from the University of Southern California.

Mr. Akin was most recently the Public Utilities Customer Advocate for the City of San Diego, where he initiated the first Advocate presentations to over 150 community organizations covering water conservation, utility costs and fees, Proposition 218, and additional services. As a Project Manager, Mr. Akin led a professional team for the City's first successful acquisition of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure System. Prior to his work with the City he was Associate Attorney with Bruggeman Smith & Peckham, and then owned and operated a general practice law firm. Mr. Akin received a B.A. in Law Enforcement from Texas State University and a J.D. from the University of La Verne College of Law.

Mr. Osuna is an Associate Attorney with the law firm of Golpher, Sullivan & Rivera. He is the current President of the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association, serves on the Chicano Federation Board of Directors, and is a member of the San Diego County Bar Association and the Consumer Attorneys-San Diego branch. Mr. Osuna graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a B.A. in Political Science and received a J.D. from California Western School of Law in San Diego.

Ms. Quach is currently a Contract Specialist for Qualcomm Real Estate & Facilities. She previously held the position of Legal Analyst for Qualcomm Incorporated, and Senior Legal Analyst for Qualcomm Real Estate & Facilities. Prior to joining Qualcomm, she spent several years with the Alternate Public Defender's Office assisting attorneys with cases and hearings

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focused on family unification, child abuse and parental rights. Ms. Quach received a B.A. in Communication Studies and a Paralegal Certificate from the University of San Diego.

I would like to thank Mr. Kosmo, Mr. Akin, Mr. Osuna, and Ms. Quach for their willingness to serve in this capacity and am confident they will bring valuable experience and insight to the Independent Rates Oversight Committee.

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cc: Honorable Jan Goldsmith, City Attorney  
Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst  
Liz Maland, City Clerk