

**TO: APA California Chapter Board Meeting**

**FROM: Betsy McCullough, AICP, Vice President of Conferences**

**DATE: June 5, 2015**

**SUBJECT: 2017 Chapter Conference (Sacramento Valley Section) Co-Chair Approval**

Recommended Action:

*Approve the proposed co-chairs for the Sacramento Valley Section’s hosting of the 2017 Chapter conference to be held in the city of Sacramento September 23-26, 2017.*

Background:

The Sacramento Valley Section has requested that the co-chairs for the 2017 conference be approved by the Chapter Board at the June 2015 meeting. Typically the co-chairs for this conference would not be presented for approval until January 2016. However, the Section is anxious to get organized in their preparation, and the Board’s approval of their proposed co-chairs is a key aspect.

As of mid-May, final negotiations with the Sacramento Convention Center are continuing. Paul Miller of HPN is taking the lead. An up-to-date report will be given on the June 5 Board meeting call.

**SACRAMENTO VALLEY SECTION – CO-CHAIRS SUBMITTED FOR APA CALIFORNIA BOARD APPROVAL JUNE 5, 2015**

The Sacramento Valley Section is please to put forward the following three names for APA California Board approval for the 2017 Chapter Conference in Sacramento.

**Bob Lagomarsino, AICP**

With almost 30 years of land use planning and public policy consulting experience throughout the United States, Bob Lagomarsino has managed a wide variety of projects for a wide variety of public and private sector clients. In all of his consulting assignments, Bob has emphasized multi-disciplinary coordination, with a focus on strengthening the relationship between land use and transportation planning, particularly in infill settings. His background is rooted in comprehensive planning, with participation in over 30 general plans throughout the western United States. Over half of these have been in California, and have thus involved management of associated CEQA clearance processes. Leveraging his policy planning background, Bob has also managed a variety of specialized consulting assignments. This includes transit station planning, ranging from leading the station planning process for the Central Phoenix/East Valley Light Rail Project to overseeing station planning and design for the Fresno-Bakersfield section of the California High-Speed Rail Project. Bob has also managed a wide range of emergency management planning projects, including flood emergency response planning projects and several hazard mitigation plans in compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and. In addition, he has contributed to urban infill planning and design projects throughout California and elsewhere throughout the United States (e.g., Phoenix, AZ, Columbia, SC, Kansas City, MO). As a result of this broad-based experience, Bob has participated in several state and national APA conference panels, most of which he has facilitated. In his spare time, Bob is the Vice Chair of the Capitol Area Development Authority Board of Directors, a member of Lambda Alpha International (the honorary society for the advancement of land economics), and a co-chair of the TOD/Infill Advisory Council for the Sacramento Chapter of the Urban Land Institute (ULI). He has also served on the boards of the Sacramento Valley Section of the American Planning Association (APA) and the Sacramento Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA). Finally, Bob was a co-founder of URS Corporation’s national planning practice and was the group’s leader for over 10 years.

**David Kwong**

On June 8, 2015 David Kwong returns to his roots with the City of Stockton.  David will serve as the Community Development Director for the City of Stockton overseeing the divisions of Planning, Building and Engineering in the department.  He will provide coordinated oversight for integral parts of the public and private realm of development.  His focus will range from general plan and policy development to zoning code updates to process and customer service improvements.  Prior to that David served as the Planning Director for the City of Sacramento.  In that capacity he has provided oversight over the City's Planning Program which includes long range and current planning activities.  David has public service as a planner for almost 25 years in several jurisdictions spanning the fields of environmental, policy planning and development project review and implementation.  David has a BS in Business Administration with a concentration in Real Estate and Land Use Affairs from CSU Sacramento.

**Jeannie Lee, JD, AICP**

Jeannie Lee, JD, AICP, is an associate attorney at the law firm of Remy Moose Manley LLP. Her practice focuses on land use and environmental law. Ms. Lee handles all phases of the land use entitlement and permitting processes, including administrative approvals and litigation. Her practice covers the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the State Planning and Zoning Law, the Subdivision Map Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). In 2015, she was selected for inclusion in the “Rising Stars” section in *Northern California Super Lawyers* magazine. Prior to joining the legal field, Ms. Lee worked as an environmental planner for CDM, Inc. and North State Resources, Inc., both in Sacramento. Her work as an environmental planner included assisting public sector agencies with water resource projects. For the U.S. Department of the Navy and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, she assisted in the scoping process and prepared portions of a draft environmental impact study/environmental impact report (EIS/EIR) for the U.S. MCAS Camp Pendleton Conjunctive Use Project. For the Sonoma County Water Agency, she prepared portions a feasibility study for the North San Pablo Bay Restoration and Reuse Project. She also assisted the Solano County Water Agency in determining its strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats in support of the agency’s preparation of it Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. She received her master’s in City and Regional Planning from UC Berkeley in 2002. Ms. Lee received her undergraduate degrees in 2000 from the University of California at Berkeley, double majoring in English and Conservation and Resource Studies.  She currently serves as the Sacramento Division Director for the Sac Valley APA.