



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** City Council A Session

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**DEPARTMENT:** Office of the City Clerk

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Leticia M. Vacek (OCC)

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** City Wide

**SUBJECT:**

Board Appointments

**SUMMARY:**

An ordinance reappointing Councilmember Rebecca J. Viagran (At-Large, Category: Community Representative) and Carroll Schubert (At-Large Category: San Antonio Business Community Representative) to the Intermunicipal Commuter Rail District (Lone Star Rail District) for the remainder of their respective unexpired terms of office.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

In 1997, the Texas Legislature authorized the formation of an Intermunicipal Commuter Rail District for the Austin-San Antonio Corridor. This district is now named the Lone Star Rail District.

The purpose of the District is to facilitate the creation of a regional passenger rail system that will help reduce congestion, lower traffic fatalities, improve mobility, promote economic development and accelerate commerce along the corridor. The District is authorized to be a public body and political subdivision of the State.

State law requires the City to appoint two (2) members to serve two (2) year terms on the District's Board of Directors, one from among the City's elected leaders and one appointed by the City to represent the business community.

**ISSUE:**

Board appointments require full City Council approval.

Carroll Schubert's term will end on February 1, 2017.

Councilmember Rebecca J. Viagran's term will end on February 1, 2018.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Office of the City Clerk will continue to advertise vacancies.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In order to proceed with the direction of the City Council, the Office of the City Clerk recommends approval of the Board Appointments.