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Date	September 9, 2008
To	Michele Jackson Board Secretary
From	Jack Gabig <i>JG</i> SGV General Manager
Subject	SGV Governance Council Nomination for Alex Gonzalez

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At its September 8, 2008 meeting, the San Gabriel Valley Service Sector Governance Council voted to nominate Alex Gonzalez for the vacant 'Transit User' seat on the council. Mr. Gonzalez is nominated for a three year term expiring June 30, 2011. Please forward Mr. Gonzalez's name to the MTA Board of Directors for consideration at the September Board meeting.

## **Alex Gonzalez**

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Alex Gonzalez has been employed with the City of Covina since July 2006. As a Senior Management Analyst he is responsible for the management of the City of Covina Transportation Division. Prior to his employment with the City of Covina, Alex was employed as a manager in the restaurant industry with Mimi's Café and Coco's restaurants in the cities of Monrovia, Arcadia, City of Industry, Covina, and Los Angeles. Alex takes pride in the customer service, business and management skills that he learned in the private sector and applies in the public sector daily.

Alex is a first generation American who was born in the Echo Park area of Los Angeles and raised by a single mother in Monterey Park. Alex attended Schurr High School in Montebello and was admitted to the University of Southern California. After leaving the University of Southern California in his junior year short of a degree, Alex took a job as a dishwasher and worked his way up through the ranks as a busboy and food server before becoming a restaurant general manager. Alex returned to school as a full time student to complete his bachelor's degree in 2005 at the University of Southern California while remaining employed full time as a restaurant manager. In 2007 Alex received the Nesvold Award for best graduate paper from the Social Science Research and Instructional Council of the California State University System for his statistical study on variations in voting behavior due to attendance at religious services. In 2008 he received his MPA from Cal Poly Pomona and graduated as a member of Pi Alpha Alpha, the national public administration honor society.

Alex is a resident of Altadena, where he lives with his wife of ten years, Anne Reid. Anne is a librarian currently pursuing a doctorate in history at USC. Anne previously was the project leader for the Huntington Library's Early California Population Project.

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- Literate in Word, ArcView, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, SPSS, HdL, research experience with online databases and datasets.
- Chair, 2008 - METRO Local Transit Systems Subcommittee.
- Committee Member – METRO Technical Advisory Committee.
- Professional Memberships – Municipal Management Association of Southern California, International City Management Association, American Society for Public Administration, Pi Alpha Alpha.
- Nine Years of Private Sector Management Experience.

**Employment Experience**

- Experienced with local, state and federal transit funding processes.
- Managed Request for Proposal and Request for Bid procurement processes.
- Served on METRO review boards for FTA 5310 and FTA 5317 grants, 2007 and 2008.
- Experienced in budgeting and budget analysis, audit procedures, project management and program management, municipal code amendments.
- Responsible for the management of the City of Covina's Transportation Division.
- Successful in the coordination of interdepartmental resources to achieve municipal objectives.
- MPA Thesis, 2008: "The Effects of Tax and Expenditure Limitations on Municipalities in Los Angeles County"

**Training**

- Certificate in Transit and Paratransit Management, University of the Pacific, 2007
- Management of Transit Construction Projects, National Transit Institute, Rutgers University, 2008
- Managing the Cost of ADA Paratransit, National Transit Institute, Rutgers University, 2007
- ADA Paratransit Eligibility, Access Services, 2007
- Southern California Local Government Leadership Academy, 2008
- Member of the City of Covina Emerging Leadership Team

**Work History**

Senior Management Analyst	City of Covina, CA	7/2008 to Present
Management Analyst	City of Covina, CA	7/2006 to 7/2008
General Manager/Assistant Manager	SWH Corporation	9/1999 to 7/2006

**Education**

Public Administration, MPA	California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	2008
Political Science, BA	University of Southern California	2005

