

## **Appendix A**

Short biographies of new members recommended for appointment to Citizen Budget Advisory Committees.

### **District Attorney**

**Yesenia Gallardo**, Position 6. Yesenia is the Community Food Systems Coordinator at Health Care Without Harm. She is an entrepreneur and has founded several business dedicated to solving pressing environmental challenges through market-based solutions. She serves on the board of Innovation Law and will soon join the board of Causa Oregon.

**Ernest Warren**, Position 7. Ernest is an attorney at Warren & Sugarman and serves as general counsel for Portland Community Reinvestment Initiative. He has an MBA for Business, Government, and Nonprofit Management from Willamette University, and enjoys opportunities that allow him to use his economic and JD background while helping the community.

### **Departments of County Assets & Management**

**Nick Prelosky**, Position 6. Nick is a Risk Consultant at US Bank. He has volunteered at homeless shelters and for children's after school care. He currently serves on a committee of the Portland Chapter of the Young Professionals Network.

**Sam Caldwell**, Position 7. Sam is a Chef at Bon Appetit. He's a new homeowner in Portland and is seeking an active role in local government. He volunteers at soup kitchens and with food drives.

### **Department of Community Justice**

**Tyra Black**, Position 1. Tyra is a Policy Advocate/Fellow at Partners for a Hunger Free Oregon and a Mediator with Resolutions Northwest. She has served on a variety of municipal ad-hoc committees and is currently serving on the Multnomah County Public Health Advisory Board.

**Ricardo Lujan-Valerio**, Position 3. Ricardo is the Legislative Director at the Oregon Student Association. He graduated from Southern Oregon University with a Bachelor of Science in Business. He has served on a number of non-profit boards, including serving as State Board Co-Chair for Unite Oregon.

**Vianca Diaz Cea**, Position 4. Vianca is a Legal Assistant at Portland Immigration Law. She currently volunteers with Pueblo Unido and has also worked for Portland Parks and Recreation as an After School Lead.

**Diana Marin Duran**, Position 5. Diana is a student mentor at Mt. Hood Community College. She has volunteered with Pueblo Unido and as a SMART reader. She has also served as Co-Chair of a M.E.Ch.A club.

**Lora Elbon**, Position 6. Lora works at Morrison Child and Family Services. She is actively involved in recruiting foster parents and attends many events to share information about

Morrison programs and foster care needs. She work with the Oregon Youth Authority, attends Community Peace Collaborative regularly and seeks ways to network and make connections to better serve the youth and enhance community safety.

**Courtney Helstein**, Position 7. Courtney is the Director of Government Affairs and Campaigns for Strategies 360. She currently serves as Board Co-Chair for the Oregon Women's Campaign School. Previously, she served on City Club of Portland's GED policy committee and as staff for Representative Carla Piluso.

### **Department of Community Services**

**Shay McCaw**, Position 7 is a Supply Chain and Operations Consultant. Shay is an 8th generation Oregonian. They currently serve as an Executive Board Member for Wallace Medical Concern and volunteers with Friends of the Columbia River Gorge.

### **Non-Departmental**

**Cameron Coval**, Position 1. Cameron is the Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director of Pueblo Unido. He also serves as the food pantry coordinator at Reynolds Middle School, an instructor at Rockwood Library and H.B. Lee Middle School, and as a SUN instructor at Glenfair Elementary and Reynolds Middle School.

**Xavier Tissier**, Position 2. Xavier is a Senior Operations Advisor at Mercy Corps. Xavier has worked more than 14 years in the nonprofit sector in Portland and around the world to support local communities. He is currently volunteering with Catholic Charities on the refugee resettlement program.

**Anna Carey**, Position 5. Anna is a Program Specialist at Impact NW. Anna served on the executive planning committee for the Community Care Festival in East Portland. She currently volunteers with Health Care for All Oregon and Pueblo Unido.

**Raphaela Haessler**, Position 6. Raphaela is an Executive Assistant at Capital Property Management Services. She has volunteered for Habitat Humanity and Rebuilding Together and currently serves on the Multifamily NW Fair Housing Committee.