



## San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Citizen's Advisory Committee Member Biographies

W = Water Subcommittee member

WW = Wastewater Subcommittee member

P = Power Subcommittee member

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### **Wendy Aragon** – Appointed by **District 1** Supervisor (WW)

Wendy works in the construction industry specializing in permits, inspections, and building code interpretation for Commercial Tenant Improvement projects. Wendy has always had a passion for public policy, social justice, and community organizing and is a graduate of Urban Habitat's Boards and Commissions Leadership Institute. She has been an organizer in various progressive political organizations on both the State and National level working on a variety of issues such as Marriage Equality, Organized Labor, Climate Change, Gender Equity, Health Care Reform, and Voter Engagement. She has been actively involved in issues around City College of San Francisco focusing on educational justice for marginalized communities. She previously served as the Vice President of Leadership for the San Francisco Latino Democratic Club, helping to create a pipeline for Latinx individuals to pursue elected office and serve on boards and commissions; as well as the Cultural Liaison for the San Francisco Service Unit of Girl Scouts of Northern California, where she helped to make scouting accessible to girls of color who live in low-income and under-served communities.

Wendy is deeply committed to her neighborhood. She is currently part of a grassroots effort, led by San Francisco Rising, to fortify political power and champion social justice issues in District 1, in the aftermath of the 2016 election. She recently completed three terms as President of the Richmond District Democratic Club, where she continues to be dedicated to inspiring younger generations in District 1 to become more politically engaged and become stakeholders in the community. In addition to serving on the CAC, she also represents District 1 on the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Advisory Committee. Wendy lives in the heart of the Richmond District and earned her B.A in American Studies, focused on Urban Studies, from San Francisco State University in 2000.

### **Suki Kott** – Appointed by **District 2** Supervisor (W)

Suki is a former software engineer having most recently worked for eMeter (now a Siemens business). For five years she worked on eMeter's EnergyIP application - a platform for smart grid deployments which offers utilities data management and analytics, audit tracking, a workflow engine, real-time meter read validation and estimation, and a reporting framework.

Suki has also done legislative work for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors where she worked on issues related to children, women and technology. Her technical experience combined with her legislative experience gives her the ability to understand and clearly

communicate the technical and social implications behind technology related policy issues, a subject that she has written about in online publications. Suki has also been an outspoken advocate for transparency and open government since 2007. She has a BA in English Literature from San Francisco State University, a certificate in computer programming from City College of San Francisco, and an MS in Software Engineering from Golden Gate University.

**Steven Kight-Buckley** – Appointed by **District 3** Supervisor  
Bio forthcoming

**Jim McHugh** – Appointed by **District 4** Supervisor (P)

Jim McHugh is a communications and community outreach professional who resides in the Sunset District of San Francisco. He has worked on several energy and transportation infrastructure projects throughout California. He holds a B.A. in Geography from California State University, Chico and an M.A. in Public Affairs from the University of San Francisco. Before graduating, he completed internships at the Office of Supervisor Katy Tang and the California Energy Commission.

**Ted Loewenberg** – Appointed by **District 5** Supervisor (W)

Ted has a Masters Degree in American History, and a rich background of marketing and technical work for the IBM Corporation. Since moving to San Francisco, he has been active in leading many community efforts to deal with key issues in his Haight-Ashbury neighborhood. His leadership helped to dramatically reduce drug-associated violence, while as President of the Haight Ashbury Improvement Association (HAIA); he delivered several positive changes to improve the quality of life for Haight residents. He led the organization in bringing healthy, sustainable organic groceries and the first farmer's market on Rec & Park premises to the community, in addition to supporting several small, local, neighborhood-serving businesses as they established themselves. He was the Chairman of the Mayor Newsom's Skateboard Task Force (2003 – 2005), and the former President of the Small Property Owners of San Francisco Institute. He has been a City resident and SFPUUC customer for the past 25 years.

**Amy Zock** – **Full CAC Chair**, Appointed by **District 6** Supervisor (WW)

Amy currently works at NationBuilder as a client manager and previously ran the company's Oakland, CA office. As the only woman on the Political Enterprise Sales team, she made it her mission to focus on helping women candidates and advocacy organizations use NationBuilder. She received her M.A. in Public Affairs from the University of San Francisco, where she worked as the Bay Area Coordinator for Oxfam America. Her role included organizing volunteers for local lobby visits, monthly meetings, and events around climate change and food security. After graduation, she embedded herself in political clubs and organizations that focus on advancing the professional and personal lives of women in the Bay Area. She was also previously a Partner in the consulting firm, The Adriel Hampton Group (AHG). Throughout her time at San Francisco City Hall, she analyzed the existing effectiveness of the Urban Agriculture Programs, including their locations and resources. She conducted a community needs assessment of community, resident, and business needs, as well as, created an aggressive strategy of hosting town halls, individual community member interviews, and monthly working group meetings. Her

experience planning, conducting, and collaborating with 12 city departments for the 2013 Urban Agriculture Ordinance prepared her to maneuver the unique landscape of water, power, and land use across San Francisco. Before moving to District 3 in 2018, Amy lived and worked in District 4 for five years and has benefited from initiatives Supervisor Tang has championed, such as the Front Yard Ambassadors Program.

**VACANT** – Appointed by **District 7** Supervisor (W)

**Amy Nagengast** – **Full CAC Secretary**, Appointed by **District 8** Supervisor (W & WW)

Amy works as a Senior Energy Engineer at Bright Power where she designs and implements water and energy retrofits in large low-income and market rate multifamily properties throughout California. Early in her career, Amy designed and oversaw capital improvement projects including water and wastewater treatment plants and distribution networks. For the last 10 years, Amy has tackled problems using integrated data modeling and visualization to facilitate strategic decision making surrounding interrelated issues of climate, energy, resource planning, growth, building construction and infrastructure systems. As a proud resident of District 8, Amy is excited to contribute her knowledge and passion to advance important issues facing San Francisco's power, water and sewer services. Amy holds a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Carnegie Mellon University. She is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP) and also a registered Professional Engineer.

**Moisés García** – Appointed by **District 9** Supervisor (P)

Moisés has worked in the nonprofit sector for more than 10 years focused on LGBT youth empowerment, providing healthcare and mental health services to under-served communities. Currently, he works as an independent consultant specializing in community and economic development as well as nonprofit administration. Prior to consulting, he was the manager of the Latino Cultural District where he was responsible for implementing a community-driven economic development strategy which aimed to protect and strengthen residents, businesses and community institutions. In an effort to ensure equity among cultural districts, he and other leaders co-founded the San Francisco Cultural District Coalition. He currently serves as legislative chair of the Castro Queer Cultural District which is in the process of being designated a cultural district. He is a member and secretary of Danza Azteca Xitlalli which preserves the indigenous traditions of Aztec dance while instilling and strengthening cultural pride and respect for Mother Earth. His parents immigrated from Aguascalientes, Mexico, and settled in Southern California where they raised six children. He is a graduate of UC Berkeley with a degree in political economy and public policy focused on development and the environment.

**Anietie Ekanem** – **Wastewater CAC Chair**, Appointed by **District 10** Supervisor (WW)

With a Bachelor of Science from Stanford University in Computer Systems Engineering, Anietie Ekanem has been involved in social media, marketing, product management, and development for over 20 years. As CEO of SocialNicheGuru.com, he is responsible for implementing social networks and marketing strategy for businesses and not-for-profits. Social Niche Guru Inc. (SocialNicheGuru.com) helps foundations and corporations determine the right product and the

right message for the right NICHE at the right time. Bringing his expertise to his neighborhood, Anietie helped to spearhead the #ShopBayview campaign as part of the Mayor's #ShopDine49 campaign and AMEX small business Saturday. He also worked to make Bayview a #SuperBowl50 Super Community and helped coordinate the #SuperBowl50 #SuperSoul campaign for Bayview.

Actively involved in his community, Anietie is a board member of the following organizations:

- SF Pride which celebrates the diversity of the LGBT community and allies through a celebration with over 1.5 million visitors to the parade which brings in millions of dollars in revenue.
- SF SAFE (Safety Awareness for Everyone) promotes public safety, neighborhood watch, and community policing for 1.5 million San Franciscans.
- India Basin Neighborhood Association which gives input into the Shipyard and other multi-billion dollar projects in the Southeast neighborhood of San Francisco.

Anietie's past civic engagement experiences include the Southeast Community Facility's Economic and Workforce committee, during which he worked on the 2016 Health and Economic Uplift Fair which had over 700 participants and social service providers that serve District 10 in San Francisco. He was also a member of SF District Attorney's LGBT and African-American Advisory Committees dealing with issues of justice. As a SF Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) coordinator for the Bayview, he has helped to build the neighborhood team and is responsible for the plan for 33,000 residents.

**Jennifer Clary – Water Subcommittee Chair**, Appointed by District 11 Supervisor (W)

Jennifer is an associate at Clean Water Action and Clean Water Fund, a national nonprofit dedicated to improved water quality. Her 15 years of environmental activism include 5 terms as president of San Francisco Tomorrow, and 5 years as chair of the Alliance for a Clean Waterfront, a project of Earth Island Institute, which seeks to incorporate environmentally sustainable practices into San Francisco's Clean Water Program. At Clean Water Action, she serves on Calfed's Drinking Water Subcommittee, and also is a co-convenor of Bay Area Water Stewards, a coalition of environmental organizations that is working to incorporate conservation and habitat restoration goals into the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's \$4.1 billion Water Capital program. Jennifer Clary holds a B.A. in Chemistry from UC Berkeley, and lives in the Crocker Amazon neighborhood.

**Misty McKinney – Appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors, representing Environmental Justice (WW)**

Misty has worked in the solid waste industry for over nine years educating the community about the importance of resource conservation. She loves working with students implementing environmental programs. She received her B.A. from San Jose State University and is currently pursuing her M.A. in Geography from San Francisco State University focusing on environmental justice issues in the Bay Area. Misty is involved with a high school Green Academy Mentor Program. The program offers high school juniors the opportunity to become stewards of the environment and leaders in their communities by participating in unique and engaging program. Misty actively volunteers throughout the year cleaning up Ocean Beach.

**VACANT** – Appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors, representing **Small Businesses**

**VACANT** – Appointed by the Mayor, representing a **Regional or Statewide Environmental Group**

**Mark Tang** – Appointed by the Mayor, representing **Engineering or Finance (P)**

Mark has dedicated his professional career to public service, having worked in different capacities at the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). He brings expertise in air quality engineering, transportation planning and community engagement to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Citizens' Advisory Committee (SFPUC CAC). Currently, Mark leads the regional effort at BAAQMD to increase electric vehicle adoption through financial incentive programs and thoughtful strategic planning.

Mark also serves on the Balboa Reservoir Community Advisory Committee (BRCAC), representing the SFPUC CAC. It is the first site to be considered under San Francisco's Public Land for Housing Program, which seeks to address the City's most pressing issues around affordable housing, while allowing the public agencies that own these sites to fulfill their missions to the citizens of San Francisco.

In addition to his position on the BRCAC, Mark currently serves on the Board of Directors for the BAAQMD's Employees' Association. He has also previously served as Member-at-Large on the Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA) Board of Directors and worked with then-Mayor Gavin Newsom to organize opposition events to California's anti-gay marriage ballot measure, Proposition 8.

Mark has made San Francisco his adopted home, having lived in District 7 for the past ten years. Mark holds a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies from California State University, Sacramento and a Master of Liberal Arts in Sustainability and Environmental Management from Harvard University Extension School.

**Eliahu Perszyk** – Appointed by the Mayor, representing **Large San Francisco Water User (W)**

Eli is the Water Program Manager at University of California San Francisco for Campus Life Services. In this role, he manages water efficiency and water quality programs for the campus and works with the SFPUC on areas such as water efficient equipment, fixtures and water distribution. Prior to working at UCSF, he was the Facilities Manager for the College of Environmental Design at UC Berkeley, collaborating with staff and academics on diverse sustainability initiatives. Eli lives in Walnut Creek, enjoys being outdoors and traveling with his wife and son, and volunteers with East Bay College Fund as a mentor. He recently completed his MBA at San Francisco State University and received an undergraduate degree in Environmental Science and International Relations from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

**Nicole Sandkulla** – Appointed by the Mayor, representing **SFPUC Regional Water Customers**  
(W)

Nicole Sandkulla is Chief Executive Officer/General Manager of the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA), comprising 26 utilities that purchase water from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) for resale to their local service areas. The Agency represents its members' collective interests in their relationship with the SFPUC on matters related to water supply, facility reliability, operations, water quality and wholesale water rates. Ms. Sandkulla joined the Bay Area Water Users Association, BAWSCA's predecessor organization, in 1999 as Water Resources Planner and grew with the agency to become the Water Resources Planning Manager responsible for developing the agency's first Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy, and securing a dry year water transfer option for the BAWSCA agencies with East Bay Municipal Utility District. She also successfully negotiated an agreement for drought supply allocation among the BAWSCA member agencies and secured over \$1.5 million in grants to fund water conservation efforts by member agencies and their customers.