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Letter of Nomination

April 16, 2014

The Honorable City Council  
One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Kernighan and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor hereby appoints the following persons as a member of the following Board or Commission, subject to the City Council's confirmation:

**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**Jahmese Myres**, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning May 5, 2014 and ending May 4, 2017, filling the seat previously held and vacated by Jonelyn Whales.

**Chris Pattillo**, Mayoral appointment to serve the term, beginning May 5, 2014 and ending May 4, 2017, filling the seat previously held by herself.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Quan  
Mayor

# Jahmese Myres

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**Education**     **Masters of Urban and Regional Planning**     June 2009  
University of California, Irvine

**Bachelors of Science, Economics**     May 2006  
Saint Mary's College of California  
Honors: Magna Cum Laude

**Experience**     **East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Economy; Oakland, CA**  
**Senior Research and Policy Associate,**  
**Civic Engagement Program Coordinator; February 2011-present**

Lead strategic research and policy analysis to support comprehensive economic justice campaigns; cultivate strong working relationships among labor and community coalition partners toward achieving collective campaign goals; serve as a media spokesperson; recruit and train volunteers for voter education and mobilization field campaigns; engage decision makers in critical policy decisions.

**Sacramento Area Council of Governments; Sacramento, CA**  
**Research Assistant; February 2010- January 2011**

Led community outreach and co-facilitated public workshops for the metropolitan transportation plan update; increased public participation by communities of color, low income communities and immigrant communities; engaged residents in meaningful discussion of land use and transportation decisions.

**Caltrans Office of Planning and Local Assistance; Sacramento, CA**  
**Graduate Student Assistant; June 2008-June 2009**

Produced a 60-page bicycle planning study which analyzed departmental policy and bike planning processes, synthesized best practices, and provided recommendations for better integration of the various modes of the transportation system; surveyed cycling advocacy organizations throughout northern California; assisted with the creation of infrastructure evaluation criteria.

**Community Action Partnership of Orange County; Garden Grove, CA**  
**Strategic Planning Intern; January 2008-May 2008**

Created a community needs assessment report for two unincorporated, low-income neighborhoods in Orange County; collaborated with local community groups; to guide residents in a process for mapping neighborhood assets and needs.

**Activities**     Saint Mary's College Alumni Board of Directors, *2012-present*  
Americorps Volunteer (Lasallian Volunteers), *06-07*

**Affiliations**     Planning Student Organization, *member 07-09*  
Omicron Delta Epsilon National Economics Honors Society, *lifetime member*  
Saint Mary's College Honors Society, *lifetime member*

**Awards**     California Planning Foundation Graduating Student Award; *recipient 2009*  
UC Irvine Department of Planning Policy and Design Fellowship, *recipient 07-08*  
Saint Mary's College Cum Laude Honors, *conferment 2006*



## **PRESENTATIONS**

*Exploring Cultural Landscapes Through Case Studies*, California Preservation Foundation (CPF), August 2010

*Historic American Landscapes Survey – An Overview*, American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), July 2010

*Doyle Drive HALS at the Presidio of San Francisco*, CPF, May 2010

*Landscape Within The Historic Context*, American Institute of Architects (AIA) Historic Resources Committee, San Francisco, CA, June 2009

*Historic American Landscapes Survey – Tools of Preservation*, UC Berkeley Extension, Landscape Architecture Program, May 2009

*Alviso Adobe Park: History & Design Process – Opening Remarks*, Pleasanton, CA, October 2008

*Historic American Landscape Survey – A Panel Discussion*, ASLA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, October 2007

*Olmsted in the East Bay – tour leader & speaker*, ASLA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, October 2007

*Oakland Waterfront Parks – tour speaker*, ASLA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, October 2007

*Historic American Landscapes Survey – An Overview*, Oakland Heritage Alliance (OHA), Oakland, CA, Summer 2007

*Historic American Landscapes Survey – An Overview*, Town & Gown Club, Berkeley, CA Spring 2007

*Cleveland Cascade – Rehabilitation of a Howard Gilkey Landscape*, OHA, Oakland, CA, March 2007

*Making a Splash: Preservation of Pools and Fountains*, CPF Conference, Sacramento, CA, April 2006

*Peralta Hacienda Historical Park – Planning and Design*, Friends of Peralta Hacienda, Oakland, CA, December 2005

*Kaiser Roof Garden and The Gardens of the Museum of California: Comparing Two Mid-Century Modern Roof Gardens*, OHA, Oakland, CA, July 2005

*After The Fire and Earthquake*, ASLA Annual Conference, San Jose, CA, October 2002

*Site and Insight*, tour speaker, ASLA, Oakland, CA April 2002

*Irrigation Design (lecture given nine times)*, UC Davis and UC Berkeley, 1986 – 1992

*What The Designer Had in Mind*, Merritt College, Oakland, CA, February 1989

*Irrigation Design for Water Conservation*, Conference on Water Conservation, Sacramento, CA, November 1988

*Planning and Public Policy: The Urban Planning Process*, Department of City & Regional Planning, UC Berkeley, April 1983

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Approved as to Form and Legality

*Mark P. Wade*  
Office of the City Attorney

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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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### RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JAHMESE MYRES AND REAPPOINTING CHRIS PATTILLO TO THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

**WHEREAS**, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of at least five members of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 192 C.M.S., as amended, created the City Planning Commission to consider and review matters related to planning, development and preservation and to advise the City Council on land use and environmental concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Planning Commission consists of seven members serving three-year staggered terms with no more than two terms served consecutively, and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Mayor Jean Quan has appointed Jahmese Myres and reappointed Chris Pattillo to serve three-year terms on the City Planning Commission subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's (a) appointment of Jahmese Myres to serve a three-year term on the City Planning Commission, beginning May 5, 2014 and ending May 4, 2017, filling the seat previously held and vacated by Jonelyn Whales; and (b) reappointment of Chris Pattillo to serve a three-year term on the City Planning Commission, beginning May 5, 2014 and ending May 4, 2017, filling the seat previously held by herself.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID,  
SCHAAF, AND PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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LATONDA SIMMONS

City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council