



HERE WE BUILD

A Regional Initiative to Create Jobs and Economic Growth through a New Entertainment and Sports Complex

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Here We Build Announces Committee Members and First Public Meeting Membership Reflects Commitment to Regionalism and Public Engagement

SACRAMENTO, CA – Today *Here We Build* released a list of committee members and announced the date of its first public meeting.

Here We Build is a regional initiative launched by Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson on May 31st to facilitate construction of a new entertainment and sports complex (“ESC”) that promotes job creation, economic growth, cultural development and civic pride across the greater Sacramento metropolitan area.

The Mayor charged the committee to spend 100 days to gather public input and report back with a menu of funding options for a new downtown entertainment and sports complex.

Here We Build is comprised of a broad, bipartisan, and diverse group of seventy leaders from the Sacramento region. The group is structured as follows:

- a 15-member Executive Committee led by Executive Director Chris Lehane comprised of public and private leaders from the city, county, region, and state responsible for making final recommendations
- 55 additional business, labor, political and civic leaders who will provide input and counsel

In addition, *Here We Build* announced the date of its first public meeting: Thursday, June 16 from 11:00am – 12:00pm at the East Meeting Room of Sacramento Central Library (828 I Street). The focus of the meeting will be a review of public-private partnership models used by other US cities to finance new entertainment and sports complexes.

The *Here We Build* committee members are listed on the following page.



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Executive Committee

Name	Title	Organization/Affiliation
Darrell Steinberg (Co-Chair)	Senate President Pro Tem	California State Senate
Ted Gaines (Co-Chair)	Senator	California State Senate
Roger Dickinson	Assembly Member	California State Assembly
Christopher Cabaldon	Mayor	City of West Sacramento
Phil Serna	Supervisor	Sacramento County
Rob Fong	Council Member	City of Sacramento
Chris Lehane (Exec. Director)	Partner	Fabiani and Lehane
Willie Pelote	Assistant Director	AFSCME International
Adam Loveall	Director of Administration and Legal Affairs	United Food and Commercial Workers
Bob Balgenorth	President	State Building & Constructions Council
Darius Anderson	Founder & CEO	Platinum Advisors
Dorene Dominguez	Chairman	Vanir Group of Companies
Lina Fat	Vice President	Fat's Restaurants
Liane Randolph	Attorney	Arden Park Resident
Tom Friery	Former Sacramento City Treasurer	City of Sacramento



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Committee of The Whole

Name	Title	Organization/Affiliation
Angelique Ashby	Council Member	City of Sacramento
Michael Ault	Executive Director	Downtown Partnership
Mike Barnbaum	Mobility & Production Trainer	Sacramento PRIDE Industries
Rick Benner	Chief Operating Officer	Fire Recovery USA, LLC
Linda Budge	Council Member	City of Rancho Cordova
David Butler	CEO	Linking Education and Economic Development
Sandra Calvert	Council Member	City of Loomis
Larry Carr	Board Member	SMUD
Sherwood Carthen	Bishop	Bayside of South Sacramento
Steve Cohn	Council Member	City of Sacramento
Rick Cole	Pastor	Capital Christian Center
Carla Collins-Mixon	Chair	Young Leaders Group, Urban Land Institute
Bob Cook	Owner	Bob Cook Company
Skip Davies	Vice Mayor	City of Woodland
Gary Davis	Council Member	City of Elk Grove
Steve Detrick	Mayor	City of Elk Grove
Nathan Dietrich	District Director	Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui
John Duke	Mayor	Yuba City
Blake Ellington	Founder	Here We Stay
Woody Fridae	Mayor	City of Winters
Steve Gandola	President and CEO	Sacramento Hispanic Chamber
Azizza Goines	President	Sacramento Black Chamber
Mary Jane Griego	Supervisor	Yuba County
Steve Hammond	President and CEO	Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau
Gregory Hayes	Communications Director	Office of Senator Kevin De Leon
Rex Hime	President and CEO	California Business Properties Association
Richard Hyde	Attorney	Law Office of Richard H. Hyde
Rick Jennings	CEO	Center for Fathers and Families
Gary Johnson	President	Zoom Imaging Solutions, Inc.
Al Johnson	Consultant/Owner	Al Johnson Consulting
Matt Kelly	President	Sacramento-Sierra's Building and Trades Council
Jason Kinney	Principal	California Strategies
Jon Knight	Supervisor	El Dorado County
Pat Fong Kushida	President and CEO	Asian Chamber
Jefrey Leacox	Shareholder	Greenberg Traurig
Martha Lofgren	Interim CEO	Metro Chamber
Gary Maisel	President and CEO	Western Health Advantage
Leslie McBride	Council Member	Yuba City
John McCassey	Executive Director	Sacramento Sports Commission
Robert McGarvey	Mayor	City of Rancho Cordova
Andy Morin	Mayor	City of Folsom
Richard Pan	Assemblymember	California State Assembly
Art Pimintel	Mayor	City of Woodland
Bridget Powers	Council Member	City of Auburn
Danny Rascher	President	Sports Economics LLC
Eric Rasmussen	Managing Partner & Corporate President	Rasmusson Public Affairs
Jack Reynen	President	Artisan Communities, Inc
Susan Rohan	Council Member	City of Roseville
Don Saylor	Supervisor	Yolo County
Warren Smith	President	Clean World Partners LLC
Kirk Uhler	Supervisor	Placer County
Dave Weiglein	Founder	"Here We Build" grassroots effort
Josh Wood	Vice President	Region Builders
Jimmie Yee	Supervisor	Sacramento County
Scot Yuill	Council Member	City of Rocklin

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