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Dear Chair Matsumoto,

On the Samtrans board agenda for December 2, 2020, under the Chair's report is the Appointment of Two Public Member Seats for Four-year Terms Ending 12/31/2024. The published board agenda does not specify which two applicants are being appointed nor is there a written report from the committee stating who they will be recommending to the Board. The lack of wording in the agenda does not allow the public an opportunity to be prepared to submit public comment on the recommendation and action and to see if it is worth the public's time to participate in the meeting.

It has been the past practice of Samtrans to list the names of those to be appointed.
12/7/2016 - APPOINTMENT OF ROSE GUILBAULT AND JOSH POWELL
REPRESENTING PUBLIC MEMBERS FOR A TERM OF JANUARY 1, 2016 TO
DECEMBER 31, 2019

Of further concern related to this board action is my request for public records that have not been responded to and are past the Public Records Act 10 day notification period. The public should be aware of the applicants to provide public comment.

The California Brown Act and Public Records Act are both intended to provide transparency to the public and I perceive the actions made by Samtrans as violations in which I will submit to the Fair Political Practices Commission if Samtrans does not remedy these concerns before the board action.

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This request was previously submitted via the SamTrans PRA online form and have yet received an acknowledgment or response.

I am requesting the electronic copies of all applications for the Samtrans public member seats that were submitted. I understand if you are required to redact personal information.

Tom Costello