

David Rankell, elected CAC Chair in 2018 (appointed to the CAC in August 2010 by Councilmember Paul Krekorian)

David Rankell, CAC Chairman, has been an active community leader in the San Fernando Valley for over 20 years. He began his community involvement with the Los Angeles Police Department in 1991 and served the department in various capacities since 1995. He was a member of the Community Police Advisory Board and the Community Surveillance Teams attached to the Van Nuys and West Valley divisions. This participation in community policing came about after the 1992 Los Angeles riots.

Rankell spent thousands of hours helping to make Los Angeles a safer city and has been actively involved with aviation and Van Nuys Airport (VNY) since 1995. He has lobbied for aviation reform in Sacramento and testified before the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in Washington D.C. He is a board member of the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition, working with the FAA and helicopter operators to reduce helicopter noise over densely populated areas of Los Angeles County.

Rankell is a member of the City of Los Angeles Community Emergency Response Team and for a decade was a Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association board member. He has served the American Red Cross in various positions as an agency representative, public information officer and governmental liaison. Rankell oversaw the San Fernando Valley Emergency Operations Center for the Red Cross, where he was responsible for disaster response in northern Los Angeles County. In his 15-plus years of service with the Red Cross, he was assigned to the North Hollywood Bank of America shootout; crash of Southwest Airlines flight 1455; Winter of '98 El Nino floods; and Y2K along with numerous other local air disasters, structure fires, brush fires, flooding events and large-scale terrorism evacuation incidents.

Rankell is a lifelong resident of the San Fernando Valley and resides in Council District 2.

Jason Price, elected Vice Chair in 2018 (appointed to the CAC in June 2015 by the Los Angeles Mayor's Office)

Jason Price founded Mach 1 Aviation, Inc. in 2006, a flight school at Van Nuys Airport, where he serves as president and director of operations. A year later, he started Platinum Air Service, Inc., an FAA certified charter company specializing in aircraft rental of the Cirrus SR22, as well as a full-service charter broker. In 2009, Price added the Platinum Cirrus Training Center to the portfolio. All three entities are based at the Signature Flight Support West building at VNY.

After studying aviation at Glendale Community College, Price went on to receive his Airline Transport Pilot Certificate and become a Certified Flight Instructor with airplane, multi-engine, and instrument qualifications.

As a certified flight instructor, Price is one of only 45 Platinum Cirrus Standardized Instructor Pilots in North America. He also spent time as an adjunct instructor at Glendale Community College, teaching both classroom and flight classes.

In addition to serving on the CAC, he is past president of the Van Nuys Propeller Aircraft Association. Price moved to Southern California in 1989 from Phoenix, Arizona.

Kathy Delle Donne (appointed to the CAC in May 2014 by Councilmember Bob Blumenfield)

Kathy Delle Donne lives in Tarzana and has been actively involved with community work for over 20 years. She heads the Tarzana Improvement Association and is a member of the Plan Review Board for the Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan.

In 2013, she was appointed to the re:code LA Zoning Advisory Committee. This is a project under the direction of the Los Angeles Planning Department to revise the outdated L.A. City Zoning Code. She is a past president of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council and was instrumental in the council's formation.

In addition to her volunteer activities, Donne owned and operated a property management business.

Leonel Fuentes (appointed to the CAC in October 2018 by Councilmember Bob Blumenfield)

Leonel Fuentes immigrated to the United States from El Salvador in 1989. Since his arrival,

he has served the community of the San Fernando Valley through his employment at nonprofit organizations. From 1992 to 2016, Fuentes worked for Build Rehabilitation Industries where he oversaw programs that placed people into jobs. Under his supervision, Build is credited with placing over 9,000 jobs. Most people served during this time were people with disabilities and hard-to-employ individuals.

In 2016, Fuentes left Build and joined his wife, Michelle Miranda, to jointly run Alliance for Community Empowerment (ACE) in Canoga Park. ACE is a not-for-profit organization that assists young adults and their families with obtaining high school diplomas, gang prevention and intervention, vocational training, mentorship matching, and counseling to target barriers to personal and professional goals. Fuentes serves as the CEO for ACE and as a board member for the United Chambers of Commerce.

Cindy Goodfellow (appointed to the CAC in November 2011 by the Board of Airport Commissioners)

Cindy Goodfellow is the Vice President of Client and Community Relations for the Aeroplex/Aerolease Group, which constructs, leases and manages various aviation-related properties at both the Van Nuys and Long Beach airports.

She has over 40 years of experience in commercial real estate marketing and promotion; facilities management and operations; leasing aviation office, hangars and facilities; office and facility design; and project and construction supervision.

In her position, Goodfellow combines her extensive skills and experience with strong community involvement with local youth. She is the co-founder of the Eddie Nash

Foundation serving foster youth, Explorers Aviation Post 3333 Committee Chairman at Long Beach Airport, Board Member of Education Equals Opportunity Too (E=O2), and an active member of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council.

Goodfellow was recognized in 2002 by the Department of Rehabilitation for her community contributions and by Los Angeles County Fifth District Supervisor Michael Antonovich as “Employer of the Year” in 2003. She was honored as one of the “Women of Distinction” in 2015 by Congressman Alan Lowenthal, Congresswoman Janice Hahn and Assemblymember, Patrick O’Donnell. The *San Fernando Valley Business Journal* awarded her with a “Women in Business Award” in 2017.

Goodfellow is the proud mother of two young adults and resides in Huntington Beach.

Araz Parseghian (appointed to the CAC in March 2018 by Councilmember Nury Martinez)

Araz Parseghian has worked in finance for over 18 years, currently serving as senior loan officer for Allied Lending Group. He has also used that time to serve his community. Currently, Parseghian serves as a board member on the Los Angeles Valley College Foundation Board, Community Outreach Committee chair, and was recently appointed to the Audit Committee. He also serves on a police foundation board and has chaired the Finance and Budget committee for many years, served on the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council Board for two terms and on the Professional Child Development Associates Board.

Parseghian earned his Bachelor of Science in management and leadership and a Master of Business Administration. As an ATF Citizens Academy graduate (a federal agency) and through his current service as a board member for the Glendale Police Foundation, he is knowledgeable of current law enforcement issues.

Parseghian has lived in northeast Los Angeles for the past 12 years with his wife and two children.

Harold Lee (appointed to the CAC in February 2001 by Councilmember Greig Smith)

Harold Lee is president of Air Sources, Inc., a small propeller leasehold on VNY. Previously, Air Sources, Inc. had a 20-acre leasehold on the northwest side of VNY under the name of Million Air Van Nuys that was in operation from 1979 to 2007. Lee still retains an FBO leasehold at Burbank under the Million Air Burbank name and has an FBO in Oxnard, operating as Golden West Jet Center.

Between 1975 and 1993, Lee was a practicing California attorney and CPA (licenses in California, Texas, and Hawaii) specializing in corporate and tax matters. He is also a licensed California real estate broker; holds a current FAA Airline Transport pilot’s license with a Citation Jet rating; and was a member of the LAWA and FAA Part 150 study.

Lee is retired and has five children and four grandchildren, and resides in Granada Hill.

Ron Merkin (appointed to the CAC in November 2007 by Councilmember Wendy Greuel)

Ron Merkin is self-employed as a marketing and event consultant to the shopping center and retail industries. He was elected to the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council and became vice chair during his tenure.

Merkin is a charter member of the Sherman Oaks Sunset Rotary Club and has been a resident of Sherman Oaks for nearly 20 years.

Roger Oeland (appointed to the CAC in July 2010 by the Board of Airport Commissioners)

Roger Oeland was raised in Sherman Oaks and attended Van Nuys High School. In August 1967, Oeland accepted a research and development technician job with the Ted Smith Aircraft Company of Northridge, which in 1971 became Ted Smith and Associates. In late 1976, he and several of the former employees started Aero Specialties in old Mr. R.P.M., Incorporated hangar facilities at VNY. Since then, Aero Specialties has been heavily involved in the aircraft maintenance and modification business.

Oeland is committed to keeping a logical balance between businesses and homeowners in the San Fernando Valley. He is a member of the Van Nuys Propeller Aircraft Association and the Friends of Van Nuys Airport.

Roger Oeland lives in Sherman Oaks.

John Parker (appointed to the CAC in February 2014 by the Board of Airport Commissioners)

John Parker is a co-founder of Parker Brown, Inc., a construction company headquartered in Canoga Park. Parker has set the tone for the company's construction operations and corporate management, employs more than 50 people and has received many awards. In 2008 and 2009, the *San Fernando Valley Business Journal* selected the company as one of the "Best Places to Work in the San Fernando Valley."

Parker served as president of the United Chambers of Commerce (UCC) from 2011-2012, which is the coordinating group for most of the San Fernando Valley chambers of commerce. He now serves as the Chair of Finance for UCC and is involved in his church. He is former president of the Men's Club and has been involved with the American Youth Soccer Association for the last 25 years.

Parker was included in the *San Fernando Business Journal's* "The 200 most influential leaders in the valley areas" for 2017 and again for 2018.

He was appointed as a commissioner to the county of Los Angeles Building Appeals and Rehabilitation Board by County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky and continues his

service. Councilmember Bob Blumenfield appointed him as Commissioner to the City of Los Angeles Innovation and Productivity Commission.

Laurence Rabé (appointed to the CAC in September 2007 by the Los Angeles Mayor's Office)

Born in France, where her father was in the French Air Force, Laurence Rabé was exposed to flying at an early age. She was also introduced to rockets launching out of French Guyana, where she lived when her father was a flight director for the European launcher, Ariane. She also lived in Africa and Hong Kong.

Rabé received her Scientific Baccalaureate in France with a focus on mathematics, physics and biology. After preliminary studies in engineering, Rabé launched her career in aviation as a flight attendant for United Airlines from 1993 to 2008. She started in the Paris base for four years and relocated to Hong Kong in 1997, flying U.S. and intra-Asia routes. Currently, Rabé combines her knowledge of aviation and customer relations as the co-founder, inventor and COO of Voljet LLC, a technology solution for the private jet industry that offers a reservation platform for customers and technology option for operators to have their own reservation system.

Rabé is an accomplished athlete. Her achievements include a 4.5 U.S. Tennis Association rating, a Green Belt Level 4 in the Krav Maga self-defense system and she is an expert skier. After becoming a private pilot in 2003, Rabé followed with her instrument rating in 2006. She flies out of Van Nuys Airport, where her restored 1957 Cessna 172 is based. In July 2003, she fulfilled a dream and flew one of the last flights of the Concorde Supersonic Transport aircraft before its retirement.

Mel N. Roberts (appointed to the CAC February 2015 by the Los Angeles Mayor's Office)

Mel Roberts is a retired business development consultant for spacecraft and scientific spacecraft instruments. From 2003 to 2014, he operated Mel Roberts Business Development, Inc., a successful business management consultancy in space-related business development for large and small companies. Roberts' consulting experience includes proposal writing and reviewing, proposal evaluations, adjustment/change proposals, program management, contract formation and negotiation, and communication systems.

Roberts retired from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in 2003, where he served as a member of the senior management team in acquisition, operations and planning. His responsibilities included business development and industry relations, serving as a liaison between the acquisition division and technical divisions at JPL, and as an instructor for contract technical management.

Roberts became a California Bar member in 1979. He earned a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from the University of Arizona; a Master's in Business Administration

from the University of Southern California; and a Juris Doctor from San Fernando Valley College of Law.

Elliot Sanders, former CAC Chair (appointed to the CAC in February 2010 by Councilmember Greig Smith)

Elliot Sanders has been president of Planned Approach Benefits, Inc. since 1997, and has been providing financial services and comprehensive Employee Health Insurance Planning Services for over 35 years. He is married with two daughters and has been a resident of Northridge for over 25 years. A licensed private pilot flying out of Van Nuys Airport, he obtained the LUTCF designation as a facilitator to the insurance industry during the 1980s.

Planned Approach Benefits Inc., with its strategic partners, provides employers in aviation and general industry with complete insurance and financial services and has been licensed to provide life and disability products since 1974, with a specialty in health benefits for the small group employer. Planned Approach Benefits, Inc. partners with the largest national wholesalers of quality health plans, Warner Pacific Insurance Services and Word & Brown.

Sanders is active in VNY local politics as the past president of the VNY Prop Association and first vice president of the Van Nuys Tenant Association. He sits on the Board of Advisors for the AOPA ASN program and is a director at large for the Fourth District in California for the California Pilots Association.

Wendy Saunders (appointed to the CAC in July 2009 by then Councilmember Tony Cárdenas and now represents Councilwoman Nury Martinez' District 6)

Wendy Saunders is senior manager of leadership development for YMCA of the USA. She began her career with the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles in 1996 and served as an executive director responsible for operating multiple Y branches including the Mid Valley Family YMCA in Van Nuys, before transitioning into a senior leadership development role with the national organization. During the latter portion of her tenure with the Los Angeles Y, Saunders co-led a merger of three YMCAs in both operations and volunteer governance.

She now works with Y executives and other senior leaders across the country providing executive development institutes and programs, including the New Branch Executive Institute (NBEI) and the YMCA's annual Leadership Symposium, while developing and/or leading leadership competency courses around diversity and inclusion, critical thinking, and leading change.

In 2014, Saunders was recognized at the *San Fernando Valley Business Journal* "Women in Business Awards" as "Not-for-Profit Executive of the Year." In her acceptance speech, she shared a powerful message with business leaders from across Los Angeles about the role of love and compassion in business and the importance of workplace quality of life. Saunders earned a Bachelor of Science in chemistry from the

University of Maryland and is pursuing an Executive Master's degree in positive leadership and strategy from IE University in Madrid. She teaches mindfulness and CBCT® (Cognitively-Based Compassion Training) through Emory University and currently lives in Canoga Park.

Gerald A. Silver (appointed to the CAC in August 1997 by Councilmember Jack Weiss)

Gerald A. Silver is president of the Homeowners of Encino and serves on the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Specific Plan Review Board. He is also a member of the Encino Planning and Land Use Committee. Silver served on the Citizens Advisory Committee that prepared the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Specific Plan.

Silver earned a doctorate from UCLA in school administration, a Master of Arts in industrial education and a Bachelor of Arts in journalism. He is professor emeritus of business administration at Los Angeles City College and has authored dozens of college textbooks on business, management, systems analysis, computers, programming and graphic arts.

He resides in Encino, CA with his wife, Myrna.

Wayne Williams (appointed to the CAC in March 2007 by then Councilmember Jack Weiss and now represents Councilmember Paul Koretz)

As a board member of the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council, Wayne Williams advocated and worked successfully to implement the process of removing Stage 2 noisy jet aircraft from Van Nuys Airport.

Williams is also a member of the Los Angeles Area Helicopter Noise Coalition working to diminish the impact of helicopter noise over the county.

As an outspoken critic of special interest funding of elections, he is also a board member of the California Clean Money Campaign, which is working to limit the influence of money in politics and eventually bring full public funding to local, state and the federal election processes.

Williams has been a professional photographer for more than 30 years, and is now semi-retired, creating HDSereneScapes® films for hospitals, offices and individuals looking to diminish stress and create a more peaceful atmosphere for those unable to get out into nature on a regular basis.