COUNCIL AGENDA: 09-15-09
ITEM: 2.11

CITY OF SAN JOSE
CAPITAL OF SILICON VALLEY

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Lee Price, MMC
City Clerk

SUBJECT: **SILICON VALLEY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT NETWORK BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

DATE: 09-10-09

RECOMMENDATION

As recommended by the Rules & Open Government Committee on September 9, 2009 and outlined in the attached memos previously submitted to and approved by the Rules and Open Government Committee, approve the Public Sector Appointments of Bill Guthrie and David Baer to the Silicon Valley Workforce Investment Network Board

RULES COMMITTEE: 09-09-09
ITEM: G.1

CITY OF SAN JOSE
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Memorandum

TO:	Rules and Open Government Committee	**FROM:**	Mayor Chuck Reed
SUBJECT:	Silicon Valley Workforce Investment Network Board Nomination	**DATE:**	September 1, 2009

APPROVED: Chuck Reed **DATE:** 9/1/09

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the appointment of Bill Guthrie, Plumbers 393, Business Representative and mandated partner for work2future, to serve as a public sector representative on the SVWIN Board of Directors as required by law.

BACKGROUND

The Mayor of the City of San José, as Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO) under the Workforce Investment Act, is responsible for establishing the membership and structure of the Local Workforce Investment Board (WIB) for San José and southern Santa Clara County. The WIB, known as the Silicon Valley Workforce Investment Network (SVWIN) Board of Directors, shall consist of 45 members appointed by the CLEO, such that a majority of the local board membership are representatives of business and private industries.

Currently, the SVWIN WIB membership roster has 41 Board Members: 14 public Sector and 27 business/ private industry representatives.

Bill Guthrie, Plumbers Local 393, Business Representative

Since the age of 16, Bill has worked in the construction field, especially as a plumber and pipefitter. In his early 20's, using credit earned at a local community college, Bill transferred into UC Santa Cruz, earning his BA in Sociology, with a focus on Labor History and Environmental Sociology. He then served a five-year apprenticeship and became a journeyman Plumber and Pipefitter.

After 12 years in the trade, Bill was elected as a Business Agent.

Bill is interested in serving in a capacity that combines his passion for social justice and his desire to build a workforce that is on the cutting edge of advancing people into positions that lead to high-wage careers.

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Memorandum

TO:	Rules and Open Government Committee	**FROM:**	Mayor Chuck Reed
SUBJECT:	Silicon Valley Workforce Invest Network Board Nomination	**DATE:**	August 31, 2009
APPROVED:	Chuck Reed	**DATE:**	8/31/09

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the appointment of David Baer, IBEW 332, Director of Industry Development and mandated partner for work2future, to serve as a public sector representative on the SVWIN Board of Directors as required by law.

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David Baer, IBEW Local 332, Director of Industry Development

For 16 years, David has been employed in a variety of roles in the electrical industry. In 2008, after completing a four-year nationally accredited program, he became certified as an instructor by the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, which is affiliated with the National Electrical Contractors Association and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). David has been involved with Journeyman upgrade training as an instructor for many years with their Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee's program for journeyman electricians.

In 2008 David was asked to serve as Membership Development Representative. In the Spring of 2009, IBEW Local 332 created the Industry Development Department, and David was named its director. In that position, he is responsible for working with members who have been displaced due to the economic downturn.

Recently David has been actively involved with the Workforce Development Group of the Solartech Organization in Santa Clara County to represent the trade unions in the solar industry.