



August 14, 2026

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Mr. Daniel Ferguson to the Climate Emergency Mobilization Commission for the term ending June 30, 2031. Mr. Ferguson's current term expired on June 30, 2026.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Ferguson is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

KB:lap

Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Daniel Ferguson
Commission: Climate Emergency Mobilization Commission
End of Term: 6/30/2031

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** African American
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 10 - South LA
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** Masters of Business Administration, Non Profit Management, California State University, Los Angeles
7. **Occupation/profession:** Chief Chaplain + Founder, Cleantech Chaplain
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment

PROFILE

Experienced a civic, nonprofit, and faith-based executive with more than 20 years of leadership experience in workforce development, community impact, organizational performance, and innovation.

TECHNICAL SKILLS AND STRENGTHS

- Project Management
- Program Evaluation
- Program Maturity & Stage gating
- Pastoral Care
- Organizational Strategy
- Standard Operating Procedure Development
- KPI Development
- Curriculum Development & Teaching
- Staff & Personnel Training
- Data Management
- Quality Assurance
- Asana & Salesforce CRM Proficient

EXPERIENCE

Cleantech Chaplain

Chief Chaplain + Founder

Los Angeles, CA

2024 - Present

- Provide spiritual care and spiritual guidance to small businesses and cleantech startups (including staff, family and participants)
- Provide workforce strategy to workforce training programs to optimize performance, support people and strengthen teams.
- Increase employee engagement, healthier organizational culture, stronger leadership, improved service delivery, higher workforce retention.

Christ Temple Church, Los Angeles

Senior Pastor

Los Angeles, CA

2024 - Present

- Provide pastoral care and spiritual guidance to a small but thriving congregation for their spiritual formation.
- Provide direction and foster collaboration with deacons, deaconess and trustees for church assets and operations.
- Implement membership management systems and controls to attract guests and retain new members.
- Collaborate with the Assistant minister to plan monthly sermon series to address biblical topics centered around biblical exposition.

Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator

Senior Advisor

Los Angeles, CA

2025 - 2026

- Identified critical success thresholds that enhanced placement outcomes and reduced delivery costs.
- Established a structured program framework for train-the-trainer delivery and partnership development.
- Conducted research to identify prospective funders to obtain additional funding for program scaling.
- Responded to RFPs to increase program funding and established strong relationships with public and private funders.
- Consolidated historical green jobs workforce development data, including program and placement outcomes.

Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator

Sr. Director of Workforce Development

Los Angeles, CA

2019-2025

- Drove consistent performance outcomes, exceeding goals around short term and long-term outcomes.
- Successfully designed, implemented and launched LACI's Green Jobs Workforce Training Programs.
- Designed comprehensive approach to scale workforce development initiatives through public and private funding.
- Advocated for local, state and national workforce policies to promote high road green jobs to enhance economic opportunity.
- Developed detailed progress reports and dashboards to showcase program achievements for funders and stakeholders.

ODLE Management Group

Director of Operations & Training Development

Scottsdale, AZ

2017-2019

- Managed seven Department of Labor Job Corps Contracts across the nation to improve program outcomes.
- Created and determined goals and incentives for each contract based on Key Performance Indicators
- Increased program performance across multiple Job Corps contracts for student retention and job outcomes.
- Analyzed contract compliance through annual audits and presented detailed findings to local, regional and national offices.
- Created and determined goals and incentives for each contract based on Key Performance Indicators
- Engaged Department of Labor representatives to clarify policy changes and regulatory procedures.
- Led the revision and implementation of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's).

ODLE Management Group (at Long Beach Job Corps Center)

Career Transition Services Director

Long Beach, CA

2014-2017

- Ranked #1 Career Transition Services Contract in the nation for performance outcomes
- Increased operator revenue by \$300,000 for FY 2017
- Provided technical assistance to several DOL placement contracts.
- Made projections for contract statistical data and evaluation of Labor Market Information trends.

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Master of Divinity | 2028

American Jewish University
Master of Business Administration | 2014

California State University, Los Angeles
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology | 2006

BOARD & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

International Fellowship of Chaplains
Licensed Chaplain | 2025-Present

Climate Emergency Mobilization Commission
Second Vice President, Commissioner | 2022- Present

California Energy Commission
Advisory Committee Member | 2024- Present



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

August 14, 2026

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you of your appointment to the Climate Emergency Mobilization Commission for the term ending June 30, 2031, subject to confirmation by the Los Angeles City Council.

On behalf of the people of Los Angeles, thank you for your willingness to serve. Our boards and commissions are a vital part of the City's governance, and your leadership and expertise will play an important role in shaping the future of Los Angeles.

To move forward, there are a few steps you must complete prior to the Council's consideration of your appointment. My Commission Affairs team has prepared an attached checklist with deadlines and submission instructions, and they are available to support you throughout the confirmation process.

Once again, congratulations, and thank you for your commitment to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

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KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Mr. Daniel Ferguson
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Nominee Check List

I. Within 7 days of appointment:

- ☐ Submit the completed forms, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: myr-commissions@lacity.org **OR** mail them to:
Office of the Mayor
Attn: Luz Portillo
200 N. Spring Street, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012
 - Remuneration Form
 - Undated Separation Letters (2)
- ☐ Schedule a fingerprinting appointment to complete your background check.
 - The Commissions team will connect you with the Personnel Background Unit.
- ☐ Complete and file a Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700).
- ☐ Submit the CEC Form 60 (Ethics Clearance Form) to the City Ethics Commission.
 - The City Council cannot act on your nomination until the Ethics Department receives and submits your filings.
 - Note: you will be required to submit the same forms again after you are sworn in

II. Council Member Meetings:

You may be asked to meet with Councilmembers prior to your hearings.

- ☐ Your City Councilmember Tim McOsker
- ☐ Councilmember Traci Park, Chair of the Council Committee, considering your nomination

III. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- ☐ Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee Hearing
 - The Clerk's office will contact you once your item has been scheduled.
- ☐ Full Council Hearing and Oath of Office
 - The Clerk's office will contact you once your item has been scheduled.

V. Standing Requirements

- Notify the Commissions team of any changes in address or contact information.
- If you wish to resign, you must submit a resignation letter to myr-commissions@lacity.org.