



KAREN BASS  
MAYOR

July 6, 2026

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Dr. Loraine Lundquist to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2030. Dr. Lundquist's current term expired on May 20, 2026.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karen Bass'.

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Mayor

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Attachment

## COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

**Name:** Loraine Lundquist  
**Commission:** Rent Adjustment Commission  
**End of Term:** May 20, 2030

### Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Caucasian
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 12 - North Valley
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** P.h.D., Physics, University of California, Berkeley
7. **Occupation/profession:** Director, Sustainability Graduate Program, California State University, Northridge, Lecturer, California State University, Northridge
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment
10. **Current composition of the commission:**

| Commissioner       | APC          | CD | Race | Gender | Term End  |
|--------------------|--------------|----|------|--------|-----------|
| Gunsberg, Jerod    | East LA      | 14 | C    | M      | 5/20/2026 |
| Lundquist, Loraine | North Valley | 12 | C    | F      | 5/20/2026 |
| Sargsyan, Ara      | North Valley | 12 | C    | M      | 5/20/2030 |
| Knezvic, Branka    | South Valley | 4  | C    | F      | 5/20/2030 |
| Isaacs, Nadine     | South LA     | 8  | AA   | F      | 5/20/2030 |
| Brogdon, Carole    | Central      | 4  | C    | F      | 5/20/2026 |
| Stolarz, Dash      | South Valley | 3  | C    | F      | 5/20/2026 |



# Loraine Lundquist

Clean Energy and Electrification Expert

## SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

*Environmental Justice Specialist* 2025 – present  
**Los Angeles County**

Env justice deputy to LA County Supervisor Holly J Mitchell

*Board Consultant* 2021 – present  
**South Coast Air Quality Management District**

Policy advisor to LA County Supervisors Sheila Kuehl and Holly Mitchell

*Lecturer* 2012 – 2024  
**California State University, Northridge**

Teach courses in sustainability and write environmental research grants

*Director, Sustainability Graduate Program* 2023  
**California State University, Northridge**

Vision and operations of new M.A. degree in Sustainability

*Campaign Manager* 2022  
**Caroline Menjivar for State Senate**

Ran successful senate campaign covering half the San Fernando Valley

*Candidate* 2018 – 2020  
**Los Angeles City Council District 12**

Received 49.4% of the vote in a district where no Democrat ever received more than 30%

*Assistant Professor* 2008 – 2009  
**Principia College**  
Physics Department

*Astrophysicist* 2006 – 2008  
**Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics**  
Principal Investigator for X-Ray Telescope aboard the Hinode satellite

*Science and Technology Policy Fellow* 2006  
**National Research Council**

Contributed to a National Academy of Science report on public participation in environmental assessment and decision makin

## EDUCATION

*Ph.D., Physics, University of California, Berkeley* 2006

*M.A., Physics, University of California, Berkeley* 2001

*B.S., Physics & Mathematics, Principia College* 1998

## Certifications

- *Coding for Climate, Terra.Do*
- *Climate Entrepreneurship, The Greenhouse*
- *Plant-Based Nutrition, Cornell University*

## Highlights

- Exceptional technical and non-technical communication skills
- History of community outreach

## SELECTED SERVICE

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| <i>Community Advisory Board Member</i><br><b>Los Angeles Department of Water and Power</b><br>Advise and consent on LA100 study and five Strategic Long-Term Planning Processes  | 2016 – present |
| <i>City of Los Angeles Commissioner</i><br><b>Rent Adjustment Commission</b><br>Tenant protections and rent affordability.   | 2023 – present |
| <i>Board Chair</i><br><b>LA Forward</b><br>Fundraise; lead our climate justice work, including support for electrification in fire rebuild areas   | 2024 – present |
| <i>Speaker</i><br><b>League of Women Voters of Greater Los Angeles</b><br>Presented over 35 talks on the ballot in 2024-25   | 2023 – present |
| <i>Board Member</i><br><b>Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance</b><br>See esp our electrification efforts at the City and Neighborhood Council levels at <a href="https://ncsa.la/electrify_la">ncsa.la/electrify LA</a> | 2017 – 2022    |
| <i>Commissioner</i><br><b>Los Angeles Unified School District Redistricting Commission</b><br>Draw schoolboard districts, taking hundreds of hours of public comment into account  | 2020 – 2021    |
| <i>Board Member</i><br><b>Parent Teacher Student Association, Holmes Middle School and Mayall Elementary</b>   | 2020 – present |
| <i>Delegate</i><br><b>California Democratic Party, LA County Democratic Party, Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley</b>   | 2017 – present |
| <i>Steering Committee Member</i><br><b>West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness</b>   | 2018 – 2023    |
| <i>Foster Parent</i><br><b>LA County Department of Children and Family Services</b>  | 2017 – 2018    |
| <i>Board Member</i><br><b>Northridge East Neighborhood Council</b>   | 2016 – 2018    |
| <i>Adjunct Professor of Mathematics</i><br><b>San Quentin State Prison</b><br>Taught community college and remedial math classes within the prison   | 2001 – 2004    |



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Dear Dr. Lundquist:

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you of your appointment to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2030, 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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Attachment I  
Dr. Loraine Lundquist  
July 6, 2026

## 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](mailto: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 John Lee
- Councilmember Nithya Raman, Chair of the Council Committee, considering your nomination

### III. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- Housing and Homelessness 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](mailto:myr-commissions@lacity.org).