

**San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Citizens' Advisory Committee Member Biographies**

W = Water Subcommittee member
WW = Wastewater Subcommittee member
P = Power Subcommittee member

VACANT – Appointed by **District 1** Supervisor

Suki Kott – Appointed by **District 2** Supervisor (W)

Suki is a former software engineer having most recently worked for eMeter (now a Siemens business). For five years she worked on eMeter's EnergyIP application - a platform for smart grid deployments used by utilities around the world.

Suki has also done legislative work for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors where she worked on issues related to children, women and technology. Her technical experience combined with her legislative experience gives her the ability to understand and clearly communicate the technical and social implications behind technology related policy issues, a subject that she has written about in online publications. Suki has also been an outspoken advocate for transparency and open government since 2007. She has a BA in English Literature from San Francisco State University, a certificate in computer programming from City College of San Francisco, and an MS in Software Engineering from Golden Gate University.

Steven Kight-Buckley – Appointed by **District 3** Supervisor (P)

Bio forthcoming.

Douglas Jacuzzi – Appointed by **District 4** Supervisor (W and WW)

Bio forthcoming.

Emily Algire – **Power Subcommittee Chair, Full CAC Secretary**, Appointed by **District 5** Supervisor (P)

Emily is a fundraising associate at local nonprofits by day and an organizer for environmental and social justice by night. In 2017, the Democratic Socialists of America became Emily's political home. She organized and facilitated meetings, took on leadership roles, and honed her

principles alongside a multitude of activists committed to fighting climate chaos, environmental injustice, and economic inequalities.

In the wake of the 2018 Camp Fire, California's deadliest wildfire on record, Emily dove headfirst into the world of public utilities. She was quickly appointed as a co-chair of LetsOwnPGE.org, where she worked on direct action and coalition building toward public ownership of California's largest power utility. She subsequently co-chaired DSA San Francisco's Ecosocialist Committee for two terms.

Emily has worked in fundraising and development for the last 14 years, at KALW Public Radio, the Berkeley Public Library Foundation, and Save the Redwoods League. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies from Pacific Lutheran University.

Barklee Sanders – Appointed by **District 6** Supervisor (P)

Barklee Sanders is a current Treasure Island resident who moved to the area after getting back on his feet from being a homeless veteran. After persistent hard work and dedication, he started working for Facebook, that gave him the insight into how using innovative technologies can solve systemic problems. He is now dedicated to using his knowledge and expertise to help the community that he is a part of.

Barklee became aware of the long term issue of power outages affecting the community after moving to the Island in 2017 when there were seven sporadic outages within the first eight weeks of him living there. He realized that the community being affected is statistically at risk as a great percentage of residents are aged-out youth from foster programs, formerly homeless, veterans, and others in need of supportive housing. With his background of being a homeless veteran himself, he knew that he wanted to use his voice to raise awareness of the issues that disrupt the Island and the lives of vulnerable citizens.

Joshua Ochoa – Appointed by **District 7** Supervisor (P)

Joshua Rudy Ochoa currently serves as the student body President of Associated Students at San Francisco State University. He recently graduated from SFSU in Spring 2021 with a BA in Political Science, in addition to a minor in Urban Studies & Planning. Joshua is currently in progress for his Masters' in Public Administration, concentrating in both Public Policy and Urban Administration. In his four years of student government experience, Joshua has served in multiple positions on the AS Board of Directors as the Vice President of External Affairs, LCA College Representative, and Residential Housing Association Representative.

Joshua's main priorities have been & continue to be fighting for basic needs resources, empowering student/young voices at every decision-making table, and holding leadership accountable to the needs of the people! In addition to this work, Joshua also dedicates time to political clubs and organizing members of our San Francisco community to push for progressive politics and policies that support working people, communities of color, and marginalized communities.

Amy Nagengast – Wastewater Subcommittee Chair, Appointed by **District 8** Supervisor (W & WW)

Amy is the San Francisco International Airport's Energy Manager on topics related to energy planning, analysis, commissioning and management. Previously, Amy worked as a Senior Energy Engineer at Bright Power where she designed and implemented water and energy retrofits in large low-income and market rate multifamily properties throughout California. To support California's Climate Goals, Amy has experience in retrofitting large central domestic hot water systems from natural gas to electricity using heat pump water heaters. Early in her career, Amy designed and oversaw capital improvement projects for water and wastewater treatment plants and distribution networks. Amy enjoys tackling problems using integrated data modeling and visualization to facilitate strategic decision making surrounding interrelated issues of climate, energy, resource planning, growth, building construction and infrastructure systems. As a proud resident of District 8, Amy is excited to contribute her knowledge and passion to advance important issues facing San Francisco's power, water and sewer services. Amy holds a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Carnegie Mellon University and a B.S in Civil Engineering from University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP) and also a registered Professional Engineer.

Moisés García – Full CAC Chair, Appointed by **District 9** Supervisor (P and WW)

Moisés has worked in the nonprofit sector for more than 10 years focused on LGBT youth empowerment, providing healthcare and mental health services to under-served communities. Currently, he works as an independent consultant specializing in community and economic development as well as nonprofit administration. Prior to consulting, he was the manager of the Latino Cultural District where he was responsible for implementing a community-driven economic development strategy which aimed to protect and strengthen residents, businesses and community institutions. In an effort to ensure equity among cultural districts, he and other leaders co-founded the San Francisco Cultural District Coalition. He currently serves as legislative chair of the Castro Queer Cultural District which is in the process of being designated

a cultural district. He is a member and secretary of Danza Azteca Xitlalli which preserves the indigenous traditions of Aztec dance while instilling and strengthening cultural pride and respect for Mother Earth. His parents immigrated from Aguascalientes, Mexico, and settled in Southern California where they raised six children. He is a graduate of UC Berkeley with a degree in political economy and public policy focused on development and the environment.

VACANT – Appointed by **District 10** Supervisor

Jennifer Clary – Water Subcommittee Chair, Appointed by District 11 Supervisor (W)

Jennifer Clary has served as the Water Program Manager for Clean Water Action's California program since 2003 and was appointed California State Director in July 2020. She works to advance key water quality and funding policies in California; address barriers to safe and affordable drinking water in California communities; and serves on key stakeholder committees that advise state agencies on actions to monitor and protect groundwater quality and invest in water infrastructure. She currently coordinates the NGO Groundwater Collaborative, a coalition of groups that are working together to ensure successful implementation of California's 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Jennifer is a well-known Bay Area environmental advocate and holds a bachelor's degree in Chemistry from the University of California at Berkeley.

Michelle J. Pierce – Appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors, representing **Environmental Justice** (WW)

Bio forthcoming.

VACANT – Appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors, representing **Small Businesses**

Maika Pinkston – Appointed by the Mayor, representing a **Regional or Statewide Environmental Group** (WW)

Bio forthcoming.

VACANT – Appointed by the Mayor, representing **Engineering or Finance**

Eliahu Perszyk – Full CAC Vice Chair, Appointed by the Mayor, representing **Large San Francisco Water User (W)**

Eli Perszyk is the Conservation Program Manager at the University of California San Francisco, developing sustainability programs and implementing water and energy efficiency projects. Before working at UCSF, he was the Facility Manager for the College of Environmental Design at UC Berkeley. He earned his M.B.A. from San Francisco State University in 2019, and received his B.A. in 2002 from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, OH. Eli lives with his family in Walnut Creek.

Nicole Sandkulla – Appointed by the Mayor, representing **SFPUC Regional Water Customers (W)**

Nicole Sandkulla is Chief Executive Officer/General Manager of the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA), comprising 26 utilities that purchase water from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) for resale to their local service areas. The Agency represents its members' collective interests in their relationship with the SFPUC on matters related to water supply, facility reliability, operations, water quality and wholesale water rates. Ms. Sandkulla joined the Bay Area Water Users Association, BAWSCA's predecessor organization, in 1999 as Water Resources Planner and grew with the agency to become the Water Resources Planning Manager responsible for developing the agency's first Long-Term Reliable Water Supply Strategy, and securing a dry year water transfer option for the BAWSCA agencies with East Bay Municipal Utility District. She also successfully negotiated an agreement for drought supply allocation among the BAWSCA member agencies and secured over \$1.5 million in grants to fund water conservation efforts by member agencies and their customers.