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LA Metro Taps U.S. Green Building Council-Los Angeles Chapter Thought Leaders to Serve on its Sustainability Council

LOS ANGELES (May 25, 2017) The [U.S. Green Building Council-Los Angeles](#) chapter (USGBC-LA) is proud to announce that its Executive Director, Dominique Hargreaves, plus four additional members have been selected to serve on the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) Sustainability Council. The Council advises LA Metro regarding its sustainability-related activities and projects; and to continually improve sustainability efforts by developing targets, metrics, and strategies to assist LA Metro achieve stated sustainability program goals.

In addition to Hargreaves, USGBC-LA members now on the Council include: Anthony Brower, Senior Associate & Director of Sustainable Design, Gensler; Matt Petersen, Chief Sustainability Officer, City of Los Angeles / Office of the Mayor; Berwyn Salazar, Principal, Global ASR Consulting Inc.; and Michael Swords, VP Government Relations, LA Cleantech Incubator (LACI).

Hargreaves was selected to represent the Green Building and Services Sector or Stakeholder group as a Primary Member. She notes, "Metro's work is of critical importance in the Los Angeles region. Recently named the infrastructure capital of the world, L.A. is building at an astounding pace and must do so in a way that empowers local communities to grow their capacity for resilience. The Metro Sustainability Council can help L.A. make big moves toward being a sustainable region from the neighborhood up!"

The objectives of the [Sustainability Council](#) are as follows:

- To increase awareness of sustainability-related leading industry practices and best practices for inclusion in all public discussions and decision-making processes;
- To advise in the development of the LA Metro sustainability goals, established targets, and performance measures, and assist in the tracking and reporting on a quarterly basis;
- To increase involvement of local small business and inform the larger public on sustainability work and related training; and
- Improve the understanding of our constituents and stakeholders of the sustainability-related efforts and opportunities at LA Metro.

USGBC-LA's mission and programs similarly support community- and neighborhood-level sustainability goals, from Building Resilience L.A. to the [Green Janitors](#) program [Green](#)



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[Business Program](#), from [EcoMapLA](#) to the [BuildSMART](#) Trailer, from the [Eco-Tech Makerspace](#) to the [Green Apple Day of Service](#). Additionally, USGBC-LA works to educate and support its membership regionally across its vast LA-Riverside area via its [Branch](#) system.

“This is an exciting time to be a part of Metro. Los Angeles is growing rapidly and Metro can be the key to help our city make smart decisions by aligning new development with existing and planned transit and mobility corridors,” states new Council member Brower. “I am proud to represent both Gensler and USGBC-LA to help Metro unlock the potential of Los Angeles.”

About U.S. Green Building Council-Los Angeles

USGBC-LA is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization committed to creating a prosperous and sustainable future within one generation. Our mission promotes sustainability in LA County's built environment by delivering access to knowledge, resources, recognition and networking. (www.usgbc-la.org)

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