

Biographies of Working Group Members

John David Beutler is an urban designer and planner with a decade of experience at Calthorpe Associates. He manages the development of large scale master plans, both within the United States and internationally, and has overseen projects in Jordan, Pakistan, Senegal and Saudi Arabia, among other locations. His work has ranged from detailed site design to large-scale city planning to public participation. Mr. Beutler maintains a special interest in the definition of districts and spaces, and the integration of the automobile into walkable environments. He has also participated in an international research effort and coauthored a paper with Dr. Robert Cervero on the adaptation of transit to a variety of modern land use environments, titled "Adaptive Transit: Enhancing Suburban Transit Services."

Steve Dostart is the President and Founder of the Dostart Development Company, LLC (DDC). Prior to founding DDC, he was a Partner at the Mozart Development Company. Steve is a leader in Transit-Oriented Design and in utilizing the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards for efficient and sustainable design. He has overseen the development of significant campus and single-building projects totaling over two million square feet in Palo Alto, Mountain View and Sunnyvale working collaboratively with notable international firms such as Hewlett Packard, Goldman Sachs & Co., TDK USA, KPMG, AOL Netscape, Morgan Stanley, Norwest Bank, Synopsys and Network Appliance. Earlier in his career, Steve worked in the Investment Banking Division of Goldman Sachs in New York, for the Trammell Crow family at the Trammell Crow Company in Dallas and for the Centre City Development Corporation in San Diego

Gil Kelley is Director of Citywide Planning, where he manages the development of long-range plans, urban design and planning policies for the City and County of San Francisco. Mr. Kelley has 35 years of extensive experience with both the public and private sector in city and regional planning, economic development, urban design and public administration. He comes to San Francisco from Portland-based Gil Kelley & Associates, where as Principal and Owner he advised both public and private clients on strategies for sustainable urban development, addressing climate change, partnership formation and organizational development. Mr. Kelley also served as Director of Planning for the City of Portland, where he oversaw planning efforts for the Pearl District, West End and South Waterfront/Marquam Hill, as well as neighborhoods throughout the City, and created the City's River Renaissance Initiative, a multi-agency project to revitalize the city's waterfront and watershed system. Mr Kelley's concept of the 20-minute neighborhood continues to shape much of Portland's planning and development.

Fernando Marti is Co-Director at Council of Community Housing Organizations (CCHO) which has been leading the affordable housing movement in San Francisco since 1978. They fight for funding and policies that shape urban development and empower low-income and working-class communities. Fernando Marti is also a printmaker, installation artist, community architect, writer, and activist. He was born in Guayaquil, Ecuador, and has made his home in San Francisco since 1992. Fernando's art explores the clash of the Third World in the heart of Empire, and the tension between inhabiting place vs. the urge to build something transformative. His current public projects and altar ofrendas deal with the creation and claiming of place and identity within local histories of resistance. Fernando has been deeply connected with neighborhood struggles in San Francisco's Mission District since the mid-90s, creating art

for and with many local organizations. He is a member of the SF Print Collective and Just Seeds Artists Cooperative, and practices community architecture with the nonprofit Asian Neighborhood Design.

Elizabeth Macdonald is an urban designer. Her research focuses on street design and the history of urban form. Particular interests include: the impacts of engineering street standards on the pedestrian realm; context sensitive street design; North American waterfront promenades and their impacts on physical activity; the interface between buildings and the public realm; post occupancy evaluation of urban design plans and projects; the sustainability dimensions of urban design; urban design graphic communication; and methods for urban design knowledge-building. Professor Macdonald is a partner in the urban design firm Cityworks. Recent professional design projects include the design for Octavia Boulevard in San Francisco (to replace the earthquake damaged Central Freeway), and redesigns for Pacific Boulevard in Vancouver, British Columbia, International Boulevard in Oakland's Fruitvale District, and C.G. Road in Ahmedabad, India. Professional planning projects include consulting on streetscape design for Plan Abu Dhabi 2030, San Francisco's Better Streets Plan, and San Francisco's Market/Octavia Neighborhood Plan

Anu Natarajan, Councilmember of City of Fremont has lived in Fremont for 14 years. Her professional experience includes working as an architect, public agency planner, and as an urban planning consultant. Through a community-based planning process, she believes in creating well-designed, sustainable, and livable communities, which is essential to fostering economic growth. Councilmember Natarajan served on the Fremont Planning Commission from January 2003 to December 2004. She volunteers with community organizations, and also enjoys exploring new cities and their architecture, meeting people, and reading.

David Rabbitt was elected in November 2010 to represent Sonoma County's 2nd District on the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. David began his four year term in January after previously serving as the Vice Mayor and member to the Petaluma City Council. His regional assignments include the Golden Gate Bridge District, Association of Bay Area Governments, the North Bay Water Reuse Authority and the Community Advisory Board of the San Francisco Bay Water Transit Authority. Supervisor Rabbitt's countywide assignments embrace Health Action, Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), Solid Waste Advisory Group, and Sonoma County Employee Retirement Association (SCERA). He also co-found Support Healthy Active Kids in Education (SHAKE) to create strong physical education and nutrition programs in the elementary schools, he is also a trained architect

Michael Rios is an Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Design and Chair of the Community Development Graduate Group. He also directs CRCs Sacramento Diasporas Project that provides policy-relevant and community-based research related to the region's (im)migrant and refugee populations. His research interests focus on the intersection between marginality, urbanism, and public space.

Gregory Tung, Co-founding Principal of Freedman, Tung and Sasaki. Gregory Tung draws on his extremely wide range of architectural and urban design expertise to formulate urban design strategies and plans that enhance city identity and draw investment to our project areas. The lion's share of special features that distinguish the firm's portfolio of built work were designed by Mr. Tung. He is a leader in creating innovative designs for streets & boulevards, landmarks and custom-designed street furniture, as well as in the development of state-of-the art architectural design standards. His district and corridor revitalization plans combine sensitive infill development master planning with catalytic capital improvement designs. Mr. Tung is also well known for his innovative community participation processes, and insightful workshop seminars that add an education component to the public participation process. As a designer, planner, and writer, Gregory Tung is a frequent speaker at urban design, architecture, and city planning conferences, particularly on thorny topics involving the retrofitting of the suburban city.