

## MEMORANDUM – DENVER URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY (DURA)

<b>TO:</b>	<b>Mayor Mike Johnston</b>
<b>FROM:</b>	<b>Office of Boards &amp; Commissions</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>March 20, 2025</b>
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	<b>Appointments for DURA</b>
<b>PROCESS:</b>	<b>Mayor's Approval</b>
<b>NEXT STEPS:</b>	<b>City Council Confirmation</b>

**Staff Liaison:**

Tracy Huggins, Executive Director of DURA

**CURRENT BOARD STATUS**

**Scope of Board/Commission:** Working with residents, businesses, civic leaders, area developers, and financing institutions, DURA provides financial assistance to support redevelopment activities throughout the city. These include single family home rehabilitation, emergency home repair, historic preservation, brownfield redevelopment, infill development, and neighborhood revitalization, among others. DURA's programmatic activities are separated into two departments, Housing and Redevelopment.

**Appointment Process:** Mayor appoints 11 of the 13 Commissioners and City Council confirms for a term of 5 years. The other two commissioners are one elected board member of Denver Public Schools and one board member of a special district that levies a property tax within Denver.

**Appointment Candidates:**

**Term: 04/01/2025 – 03/31/2030**

**Lilly Djanians (Female)(Middle-Eastern/Armenian)**



**BIO:** Associate Principal, ZGF Architects. 18 years of experience and leadership roles in Urban Design, City Planning and Architecture, working in public, private, non-profits, and academic sectors in Denver, New York City, and Yerevan. Concentration in master planning, area plan developments, neighborhood planning, regional planning, development of regulatory packages, as well as high-end architectural design and construction management.

**Bill Pruter** (Male)(Caucasian)



**BIO:** : Principal/CFO for The Nichols Partnership. Prior to joining Nichols Partnership in 2005, Bill was the Vice President of Development for Kroenke Sports Enterprises. Bill was a key member of the group that developed and built the Pepsi Center, a 50 acre development in the Central Platte Valley. After the Pepsi Center opened, his responsibilities included development of “City Lights Pavilion”, “The Grand Prix of Denver” and the complete rezoning of the Pepsi Center property. In 2004 Bill completed negotiations with Commerce City that resulted in Kroenke Sports Enterprises becoming the master developer for the “Prairie Gateway”, a 900-acre redevelopment of part of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal. This development included a new 18,000 seat stadium for the Colorado Rapids, 24 soccer fields, a new civic center for Commerce City and 200 acres of retail & commercial development. In his current position, Bill is responsible for the financial planning, coordination and implementation of all Nichols Partnership developments. He has been involved in many different civic activities, and has been a member of the Spire HOA, the Urban Land Conservancy Board, the Denver Urban Renewal Authority Commission and the Denver Civic Ventures Board. Bill holds a BA degree in Economics/Business from the University of California, Los Angeles.

**ACTION NEEDED:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Appoint slate of Candidates
- \_\_\_\_\_ Boards & Commissions, Please provide additional candidates to consider
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor has additional candidates

**CURRENT BOARD**

**TERM END DATE**

Angela Bricmont, Englewood (F)(H)	04-03-29
Robert “Bob” Lee, (M)(C)	04-03-29
Anthony Albanese (Chair), Denver (M)(C)	04-03-25
Stacey Loucks, Denver (F)(C)	04-03-25
Phillip Caplan, Denver (M)(C)	04-03-25
Ron Tilton, Denver (M)(C)	04-03-26
Kendra Black, Denver (F)(C)	04-03-26
Ryan Cobbins, Denver (M)(AA)	04-03-27
Terri Jackson, Centennial, (F)(AA)	04-03-27
Katherine Archuleta, Denver (F)(H)	04-03-28
Kristin Bronson, Denver (F)(C)	04-03-28
Scott Esserman, Denver (M)(C)	N/A
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