



## Antonio Vazquez

Member, Board of Equalization

Antonio Vazquez, Chairman of the Board of Equalization (BOE), represents 10 million constituents in the 3rd District, which encompasses Los Angeles County. He was first elected in November 2018, serving as Chair in 2020 and 2021, and was re-elected in November 2022. He is the first Latino ever elected to the BOE since its inception in 1879.

Vazquez brings to the Franchise Tax Board over 24 years of business and government experience involving strategic and long-term planning, business development, and municipal and legislative advocacy. He is known for being a tireless advocate for responsible growth and development, fiscal accountability, public safety, affordable housing, open and responsive government, and education to improve the quality of life for all Californians.

As Chairman of the BOE in 2020 and 2021, Vazquez led the BOE's transition to virtual meetings at the onset of COVID-19 shelter in place restrictions, worked with the Governor's office to extend tax filing deadlines for business personal property statements (Executive Order N-61-20) and extend assessment appeals deadlines (Executive Order N-72-20) to assist property taxpayers impacted by the pandemic, and spearheaded the Board's work to seek solutions to the property tax appraisal force shortfall.

As Mayor of Santa Monica, Vazquez advocated for streamlined business licensing and regulations, implemented innovative transportation projects, worked to obtain funding for affordable housing, promoted the passage of the city's Minimum Wage ordinance, supported the transitioning of homeless into permanent housing, fought for local control of airport lands, and led the City Council in adopting a comprehensive Downtown Community Plan.

In the private sector, Vazquez served as the Southern California Regional Director for California Futures Network, where he promoted smart growth policy and legislation in the state of California, and as Community Planner for the United Way of Greater Los Angeles, where he facilitated funding for community programs throughout the San Fernando Valley. He has served