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Albert Shen, President of Shen Consulting Inc. is currently serving as Senior Advisor for the Toyota Mobility Foundation working on developing new smart city mobility & sustainable energy investment strategies in U.S. cities. Previously, he was a Senior Advisor in Advanced Technology and Research at Toyota North America in Plano, TX where he was developing next generation mobility strategies on transportation innovation and to integrate new mobility technologies with federal, state & local governmental transportation Smart City initiatives.

In 2014, he was appointed by President Obama to be the National Deputy Director of the U.S. Department of Commerce, Minority Business Development Agency. His role was to create U.S. jobs by developing federal polices; new impact investment models and other new business innovation initiatives that promote the growth and global competitiveness of businesses owned and operated by minority and immigrant business owners. His leadership elevated minority business participation in new international markets in Asia, Africa, and South America. He organized the first ever MBDA trade mission to be part of the official U.S. Delegation to the Asian Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Summit in Manila, Philippines. He served as the MBDA liaison to the White House on the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) and led all Agency efforts in support of TPP advocacy. Before he joined the Obama Administration he leveraged his background as a minority business owner himself for 15 years as CEO of Shen Consulting, Inc., a successful transportation & civil engineering consulting firm that managed major projects such as the Seattle Tacoma International Airport's Rental Car Facility Program (a \$400M project) and many other largescale airport capital programs & heavy civil environmental programs in the Pacific Northwest.

For his efforts Shen has consistently received accolades from industry and community organizations. In 2012 he was awarded the U.S. Small Business Administration Region 10 Minority Champion of the Year Award. Shen has provided support to educational institutions, community organizations, business organizations and political advocacy groups. He served as Board Chair of the Seattle Community College Board of Trustees, and as Vice Chair of the Washington State Commission on Asian and Pacific American Affairs. In 2013 he was a candidate for Seattle City Council. Shen earned his bachelor's degree in chemistry and environmental science from the University of Washington.