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Applicant Information

Name Ashish Bhatia

Are you a Sunnyvale resident? Yes

How long have you lived in Sunnyvale? 5 months

Description Area Residence Notice:Unless otherwise noted, your principal place of residence must be in Sunnyvale. You must live in Sunnyvale at the time of appointment and at all times during service on a board or commission.

Current Main Residence [REDACTED]

Email [REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

Description Area Employment NoticeCity of Sunnyvale employees may not serve on a board or commission.

I am a current City of Sunnyvale employee. No

Have you ever served on a City of Sunnyvale board or commission? No

Have you attended a meeting of the City Council, or a board or commission? No

Have you attended meetings of the board(s) or commission(s) for which you are applying? No

Board or Commission Selection

First Choice Board of Library Trustees (R)

Apply for another board or commission?1 Yes

Second Choice Personnel Board (R)

Apply for another board or commission?2 Yes

Third Choice Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Apply for another board or commission?3 Yes

Fourth Choice Heritage Preservation Commission (R)

Applicant Qualifications

What motivated you to apply for this board or commission? To contribute to the community

What skills or attributes can you bring to this board or commission? Strong technical & leadership experience

The primary role of a board or commission member is to provide advice to City Council on policy issues that are within the scope of the board or commission. What steps would you take to effectively exercise this specific board or commission role? See what's feasible, and provide advice on what's achievable

Education - List college degrees, majors and any relevant training or experience that demonstrates your ability to effectively serve on this board or commission. Bachelor + Master of Technology from IIT Kanpur (Indian Institute of Technology), India

Describe your involvement in community activities, volunteer and civic organizations.
- Set up an endowment chair at my alma mater
- Involved with several startups in the San Francisco bay area as a technical advisor

Description Area The City has a Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials and an Attendance Policy (7.2.19), 2 G (II) that appointed members are required to follow.

Do you have any concerns related to the above code and policy? No

Are you willing to accept a temporary appointment for the remainder of an unexpired term? Yes

Board or Commission-Specific Questions

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Category One: I am a bicyclist or pedestrian residing in Sunnyvale. Yes

Like many Santa Clara County cities, Sunnyvale is faced with problems stemming from traffic congestion and air pollution. Suggest ways the City can improve facilities for bicyclists and pedestrians. Also, how might the City improve education and safety programs for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians?

- Make inner neighborhood roads more pedestrian-friendly
 - Make external roads more car-friendly
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Description Area

View the Active Transportation Plan

Have you read the Active Transportation Plan?

No

Description Area

View the Vision Zero Plan

Have you read the Vision Zero Plan?

No

Board of Library Trustees

Community demographics and technology are constantly changing. What do you think are the principal issues the Sunnyvale Public Library may be addressing over the next few years?

More activities focused on young kids.
In the age of smartphones, only the kids who built a reading habit early on will be long-term library users

Our main library's infrastructure is aging, with ongoing maintenance issues. The 2024 library bond measure, intended to solve those issues, failed. What solutions do you suggest?

- Think cheap
 - Ask parents to contribute old toys
 - Ask parents to organize volunteer classes for kids, e.g., Chinese/Hindi/Arabic/Spanish stories classes taught by parents
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Heritage Preservation Commission

Describe how you have engaged with local history and heritage within Sunnyvale?

Not yet as I just moved here a few months back

What historical features or structures in our community do you think are at risk? What course can the City take to preserve them?

I haven't formed an opinion on this yet

What factors would influence your recommendation to preserve a particular building or site?

I believe Murphy Street should be preserved, as it brings in visitors from neighboring cities

Personnel Board

I hold a public office or employment

No

I am a candidate for another public office or position.

No

I am a former City employee.

No

I have a spouse, household member or designated relative (your or your spouse's parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, sister, brother, niece, nephew, uncle or aunt) employed by the City of Sunnyvale in a position with the right to hear a disciplinary matter before the Personnel Board.

No

Describe your experience and responsibilities in the administration of employee discipline.

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Describe your experience and responsibilities in the administration of employee grievances.

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Voter Registration Requirement

Description Area

If you are applying for the Board of Library Trustee, Heritage Preservation Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Personnel Board or the Planning Commission, you must be a registered voter in Sunnyvale.

Are you currently a registered voter in Sunnyvale?

Yes

When was the last time you voted? Month/Year

Nov 2024

Your Agreement

Description Area

IMPORTANT NOTICE - READ BEFORE SIGNING:By selecting both "Yes" and "Submit Form" below I am adding my digital signature to this application. I am also agreeing with the following statements:All statements I have made on this application are true and correct.I authorize the City of Sunnyvale (City) to investigate the accuracy of this information.I release the City from all claims and liabilities arising from such investigation.I acknowledge that any false statement on this application will be grounds for the City to deny my appointment. A false statement discovered later, will be grounds to dismiss me from my appointment at any time.I acknowledge that any false statement on this application could lead to criminal charges. Charges could fall under California Penal Code, Section 115 or other applicable law.

I agree

Yes

Your full name

Ashish Bhatia

Date

Mar 18, 2026
