

## Applicant Information

Name	Indira Patil
Are you a Sunnyvale resident?	Yes
How long have you lived in Sunnyvale?	36 years
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]
Are you currently a registered voter in Sunnyvale?	Yes
When was the last time you voted? Month/Year	11/2024
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)
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## Applicant Qualifications

**What motivated you to apply for this board or commission?**

I have always been interested in volunteering in some aspect of Sunnyvale's governing organizations. I feel that I have both time and energy, in this stage of my life, to contribute in a meaningful way. Visiting the library for borrowing books and attending talks has been a source of both information and joy for the past many decades when raising kids and hosting parents. I would love the library to continue to be the same source of joy for future generations. Unfortunately, with the advent of social media, library's key function may be in jeopardy. I would like to be a member of this board in order to find new and creative ways to support library's continuing growth.

**What skills or attributes can you bring to this board or commission?**

My biggest strengths are ability to strategize, execute, and organize to get the job done. I have been working as a lead software engineer for more than 35 years now, in the area of performance optimization of hardware, software and database systems. Some of the skills I can leverage include driving complex issues to resolution, leading people across teams to a common objective and being open to researching and investigating new approaches.

**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?**

I would first spend time understanding the issue, do research to evaluate the pros and cons if they exist. Talk to stake holders and participate in discussions to evaluate the ramifications (financial, social etc.) of the issue.

**Education - List college degrees, majors and any relevant training or experience that demonstrates your ability to effectively serve on this board or commission.**

PhD Computer Engineering, Rice University  
M.S. Math & Computer Science, I.I.T. Bombay  
Member of TPC council for many years: TPC is an tech industry wide group of firms that set the standards for performance measurement benchmarks.

**Describe your involvement in community activities, volunteer and civic organizations.**

Served as the president of SACAS (South Asian Cultural Assoc of Sunnyvale) for the first year - led the organization of the Sunnyvale Diwali Mela in 2022 (dealing with the city permits and applications, and organizing vendors, volunteers, various cultural activities etc.). Also led board related activities like organizing meetings and creating bylaws for the organization.

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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

### 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?**

Due to widespread use of social media, reading from books and newspapers has been replaced by technology. I think this is the principal challenge - how to keep the role of library as a store of books still relevant. Embracing the technological changes to further library's role is challenging but can be done.

**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?**

Unfortunately, there is no substitute for fixing structural issues and funding for limited upgrades will need to be secured.

Perhaps the vision for the library as a big structure housing myriad functions (books, meeting rooms, cafe etc) needs to be revisited.

### Demographic Information

**Your age**

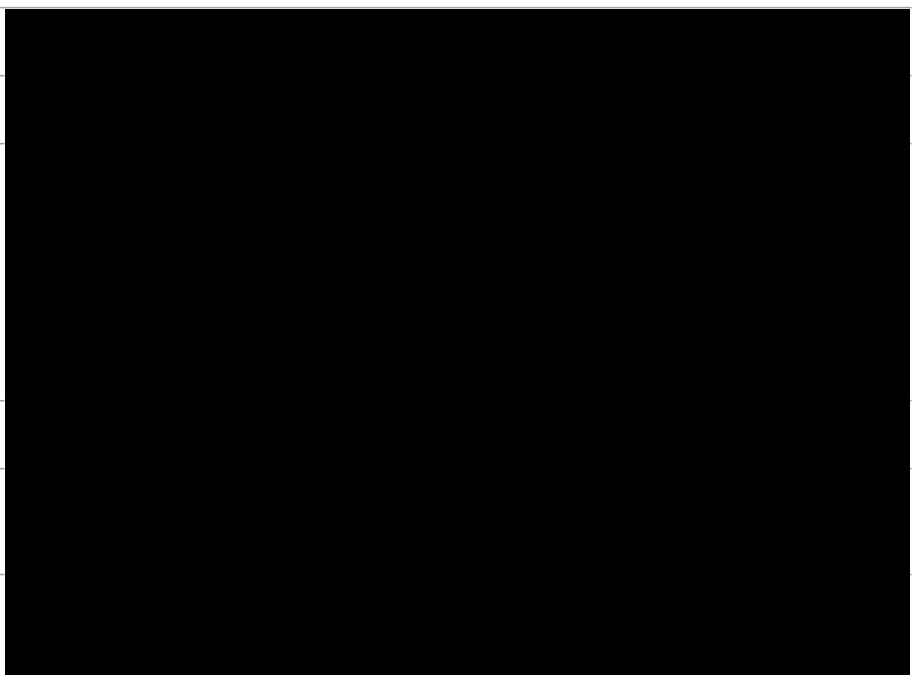
**Your gender**

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**LGBTQIA+ Identity**

**Race or Ethnicity (select all that apply)**

**Do you speak a language other than English?**

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Which languages?

Household Income

Residence - Are you a

Do you live in a

## 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

Indira Patil

Date

Apr 24, 2025