

Boards and Commissions Application

Applicant Information

* First Name * Initial (optional) * Last Name

* Are you a Sunnyvale resident? Yes/No

[if yes] * How long have you lived in the City of Sunnyvale?

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

* Email

* Phone

* Are you currently a registered voter in Sunnyvale? Yes/No

[if yes] * When was the last time you voted? Month/Year

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

[If yes] Check all that apply. [checkboxes]

* Currently serving

* Previously served

[If Currently serving] * Name of board or commission currently serving

[If Previously served] * Name(s) of boards or commissions previously served
with approximate dates

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

[if yes] * Briefly describe what you learned by watching a meeting of the City Council, board or commission. What improvements would you suggest?

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

[if yes] * How many meetings have you attended?

Board or Commission Selection

You may apply for multiple board or commission positions. Select them in order of your preference.

An (R) after the name indicates you must be a registered Sunnyvale voter to serve on that board or commission.

- * Arts Commission
- * Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission
- * Board of Library Trustees (R)
- * Heritage Preservation Commission (R)
- * Housing and Human Services Commission
- * Human Relations Commission
- * Parks and Recreation Commission (R)
- * Personnel Board (R)
- * Planning Commission (R)
- * Sustainability Commission

Applicant Qualifications

Reference the specific board(s) or commission(s) you're applying for in your responses below.

- * What motivated you to apply for this board or commission?
- * What skills or attributes can you bring to this board or commission?
- * 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?
- * Education – List college degrees, majors and any relevant training or experience that demonstrates your ability to effectively serve on this board or commission.
- * Describe your involvement in community activities, volunteer and civic organizations.

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? Yes/No

[if yes] * Describe your concerns.

- * Are you willing to accept a temporary appointment for the remainder of an unexpired term? Yes/No

Board or Commission-Specific Questions

Arts Commission

- * What role do you think public art plays in a city?
- * How might the City strengthen art programs in the community?
- * The Sunnyvale Public Art collection includes sculptures and other physical art. As an Arts Commissioner, how would you prioritize and include visual , literary, interactive and performing arts to embody the cultures of our diverse community?

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

- * Category One: I am a bicyclist or pedestrian residing in Sunnyvale. Yes/No
 - [If no:] * Category Two: I'm not a Sunnyvale resident. I belong to one or more of the following groups
 - * Parent Teacher Association (PTA) – parent group member
 - * Sunnyvale School Administration
 - * Commute coordinators for major employers within Sunnyvale
 - * Principals or teachers from Sunnyvale schools
- * 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?

[View the Active Transportation Plan](#)

- * Have you read the Active Transportation Plan? Yes/No
 - [if yes] * What are your thoughts on the Active Transportation Plan?

[View the Vision Zero Plan](#)

- * Have you read the Vision Zero Plan? Yes/No
 - [if yes] * What are your thoughts on the Vision Zero Plan?

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?
- * 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?

Heritage Preservation Commission

- * Describe how you have engaged with local history and heritage within Sunnyvale.
- * What historical features or structures in our community do you think are at risk? What course can the City take to preserve them?
- * What factors would influence your recommendation to preserve a particular building or site?

Housing and Human Services Commission

- * Evaluate the quality and adequacy of the housing programs that serve the Sunnyvale community.
- * Evaluate the quality and availability of the human services programs that serve the Sunnyvale community.
- * Share your thoughts on how the City might better improve housing affordability, prevent displacement and/or serve our unhoused residents.

[View Unhoused Community Support](#)

- * Have you read Unhoused Community Support? Yes/No
 - [if yes] * What are your thoughts on Sunnyvale's support for the unhoused community?

Human Relations Commission

- * Category One: I'm a Sunnyvale resident. Yes/No
 - [If No:] * Category Two: I'm a representative of a nonprofit service agency that serves Sunnyvale residents. Yes/No
- * What do you think are major equity challenges facing the Sunnyvale community?
- * Describe your experience working with historically marginalized communities. How have your actions benefited these communities?

Park and Recreation Commission

- * Community demographics are constantly changing. What do you think are the principal issues the commission may be addressing over the next two years?
- * How could we improve our parks and recreation infrastructure and programming to better serve our diverse community?

Personnel Board

- * I hold a public office or employment. Yes/No
- * I am a candidate for another public office or position. Yes/No
- * I am a former City employee. Yes/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. Yes/No
- * Describe your experience and responsibilities in the administration of employee discipline.
- * Describe your experience and responsibilities in the administration of employee grievances.

Planning Commission

- * Sunnyvale has limited vacant land for new development. This could increase pressure for redevelopment of existing developed areas. How can Planning respond to this situation?
- * Planning Commissioners are often asked to consider social, economic and environmental issues when reviewing proposals. How do we achieve a balanced community?
- * What do you see as the greatest land use challenges facing the City? How do you propose addressing them?

[View the Housing Element](#)

- * Have you read the Housing Element? Yes/No
 - [if yes] * What are your thoughts on the Housing Element? How should it be implemented?

Sustainability Commission

* Category One: I'm a Sunnyvale resident. Yes/No

[If No] * Category Two: I'm a Sunnyvale business community member*. Yes/No

*Sunnyvale business license holder, or a designated representative of a Sunnyvale business with 200 or more employees.

* Sustainability is a new and emerging concern in many communities. What do you think are the primary sustainability policy issues this commission will be addressing over the next few years?

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[View the Climate Action Playbook](#)

* Have you read the above version of the Climate Action Playbook? Yes/No

[if yes] What are your thoughts on the Playbook? How might the actions ("Plays") be improved?

Fair Political Practices Commission Statement of Economic Interests

If you are appointed to the Arts Commission, Heritage Preservation Commission, Housing and Human Services Commission or the Planning Commission, you must electronically file the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700), which will be a public record.

[Statement of Economic Interests – Form 700](#)

Understanding of Filing Requirement

I understand that if I'm appointed to the Arts Commission, Heritage Preservation Commission, Housing and Human Services Commission or Planning Commission I must electronically file the Fair Political Practices Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). This form reports my economic interests and those of my spouse or domestic partner, if applicable. I understand this will be a public record.

* Yes/No

Demographic Information

Demographic information is voluntary. Your responses become public record. Your responses will help Council meet its goal of ensuring our boards and commissions reflect the demographic diversity of Sunnyvale residents.

* Your age:

- * Under 18
- * 18-24
- * 25-34
- * 35-44
- * 45-54
- * 55-64
- * 65 and up
- * Prefer not to answer

* Your gender:

- * Female
- * Male
- * Non-binary/Non-conforming
- * Transgender
- * Prefer not to answer
- * Other

[if Other] * Other:

LGBTQIA+ Identity (LGBTQIA+ stands for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, and the “+” is an all-inclusive way to include additional terms used to describe one’s gender, romantic, and sexual identities for those who do not identify with heterosexuality or the gender binary.) [description field]

* LGBTQIA+ Identity:

- * Yes, I am part of the LGBTQIA+ community
- * No, I am not part of the LGBTQIA+ community
- * Prefer not to answer

* Race or Ethnicity (select all that apply):

- * White
- * Black/African American
- * Asian
- * Hispanic-Latin x/o/a/e
- * Native American/Indigenous
- * Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- * Prefer not to answer
- * Other

[if Other] * Other:

* Do you speak a language other than English? Yes/No

[if yes] * Which language(s)?

* Household Income

- * Under \$50,000
- * \$50,000 - \$99,999
- * \$100,000 - \$149,999
- * \$150,000 - \$199,999
- * \$200,000 - \$299,999
- * \$300,000 - \$500,000
- * Over \$500,000
- * Prefer not to answer

* Residence – are you a:

- * Renter
- * Homeowner
- * Mobile homeowner
- * Prefer not to answer
- * Other

[if Other] * Other:

* Do you live in a:

- * Apartment/Condo
- * Single Family Home
- * Mobile Home
- * Prefer not to answer
- * Other

[if Other] * Other:

* Do you have any other identities* you would like to share with us?

*Such as veteran status, (dis)ability, national origin, religion.

Your Agreement

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.

* Yes/No

* Your full name

* Date