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Applicant Information

Name	David Liu
Are you a Sunnyvale resident?	Yes
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] Sunnyvale, CA 94086
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?	Yes
How many meetings have you attended?	One. I have watched the recording for the latest meeting.

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 am motivated to apply for the Board of Library Trustees because I recognize the vital role the library plays in fostering community, education, and opportunity in Sunnyvale. As the parent of a two-year-old who loves visiting the library, I've seen firsthand the library's importance as a welcoming space for families and lifelong learners. I want to give back to the city by supporting and strengthening this critical resource, ensuring it continues to serve the diverse needs of our community.

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

I bring a combination of strategic planning, leadership, and community engagement skills developed through my professional experience and volunteer work. As a former military officer and corporate development leader, I am adept at analyzing complex challenges, collaborating across diverse teams, and driving impactful initiatives. Additionally, my experience mentoring and organizing community-focused events during my tenure as President of the NYU Stern Asian Business Society demonstrates my commitment to fostering inclusive and accessible programs that benefit all members of the community.

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?

To effectively advise the City Council, I would start by thoroughly understanding the library's policies, programs, and community needs through research, attending meetings, and engaging with library staff and patrons. I would actively listen to diverse perspectives, collaborate with fellow board members, and use data-driven insights to assess opportunities and challenges. By staying informed on best practices in library services and focusing on the needs of Sunnyvale's residents, I would ensure my recommendations are thoughtful, inclusive, and aligned with the City's broader goals.

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

Education and relevant experience:
- MBA, NYU Stern School of Business - concentrations in Finance and Strategy
- President of the Asian Business Society at NYU Stern during my second year of my MBA program - led volunteering, community outreach, and professional development initiatives
- BA, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign - majored in Economics
- Served as a US Army officer from 2009 to 2014

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

Military - as a U.S. Army veteran and intelligence officer, developed strategic planning, team leadership, and problem-solving skills in high-pressure environments, including two deployments to Afghanistan.

Community engagement - organized workshops, cultural events, and mentoring programs to foster inclusivity and support underrepresented groups, reflecting my commitment to community service and accessibility during my time at NYU Stern

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

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?

Several key issues that the Sunnyvale Public Library may be able to help address over the next few years:

- Bridging the digital divide - with technology advancing rapidly, the library has an opportunity to help address disparities in digital access by providing public internet services, access to devices, and training programs for community members who lack technological proficiency or resources
- Evolving role of the library - there may be a need to balance traditional services with the library's role as a community hub, offering programs that promote lifelong learning, workforce development, and sustainability in response to community needs
- Serving a multilingual and diverse community - with Sunnyvale's increasingly diverse population, the library will need to prioritize resources and programming for non-English speakers, including multilingual collections, translation services, and cultural programming that reflects the community's varied backgrounds

Demographic Information

Your age 18-44

Your gender Male

Description Area 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.)

LGBTQIA+ Identity No, I am not part of the LGBTQIA+ community

Race or Ethnicity (select all that apply) Asian

Do you speak a language other than English?	Yes
Which languages?	Mandarin (Chinese)
Household Income	Over \$161,670
Residence - Are you a	Renter
Do you live in a	Apartment/Condo

Your Agreement

Description Area	<p>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.</p>
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I agree	Yes
Your full name	David Liu
Date	Jan 23, 2025