

Applicant Information

Please accept my request to be reappointed to:

Parks and Recreation Commission (R)

Name

David Kesting

Are you a Sunnyvale resident?

Yes

How long have you lived in Sunnyvale?

12 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

How long have you served on current your board or commission?

4 years

Have you ever served on another City of Sunnyvale board or commission?

No

What new information about your qualifications would you like Council to know?

I am writing to respectfully request reappointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Over the past 4 years, I have had the privilege of serving on the Commission, including the honor of holding the position of Chair for two consecutive years. During this time, I have been committed to advocating for policies and projects that enhance our city's public spaces and recreational opportunities.

One of the initiatives I am particularly proud of is my work to advance the creation of dog off-leash areas within our city parks. Recognizing the importance of designated spaces where community members and their pets can safely interact, I have worked closely with fellow commissioners, city staff, and community stakeholders to identify potential sites and develop practical proposals. This effort has been instrumental in fostering a more inclusive park experience for pet owners.

Additionally, I have worked to assist in developing a fuller view of the benefits and drawbacks of field turf versus natural grass at city parks. This study is crucial for making informed decisions that balance environmental sustainability, maintenance costs, and usability. By bringing together experts and community voices, we are closer to establishing guidelines that reflect both fiscal responsibility and community needs.

Furthermore, I have actively participated in pushing the study exploring the potential transformation of PG&E-owned lands into city park spaces. This project aligns with our mission to increase accessible green areas, and I have collaborated with various stakeholders to assess feasibility, environmental considerations, and long-term maintenance strategies.

Reasons you wish to be reappointed.

Throughout my tenure as Chair, I have focused on maintaining an inclusive and collaborative environment during commission meetings, ensuring that diverse perspectives are heard and respected. My leadership style emphasizes transparent decision-making, community involvement, and effective communication among all stakeholders.

If reappointed, I will continue to advocate for initiatives that enhance our community's access to quality recreational spaces. I am dedicated to advancing the projects I have helped initiate and to exploring new opportunities that benefit residents. My ongoing commitment to this role is driven by a passion for public service and a dedication to creating vibrant, accessible parks for everyone.

Any additional information related to your reappointment?

Thank you for considering my reappointment. I am enthusiastic about the prospect of continuing to serve and make meaningful contributions to our community.

Demographic Information

Your age

Your gender

Description Area

LGBTQIA+ Identity

Race or Ethnicity (select all that apply)

Do you speak a language other than English?

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	David Kesting
Date	Apr 10, 2025