

Boards and Commissions Application

Profile

Please note, applications are continuously accepted to the City of San Jose Boards and Commissions. The Board or Commission you select may or may not indicate there is a vacancy. Your application will remain on file for one year from the date of submission. During the year, your application may be considered for unanticipated vacancies.

Additionally, applicants to the following commissions will be required to fill out a [Form 700](#) (California State required Statement of Economic Interest) within 30 days of appointment.

- Airport Commission
- Appeals Hearing Board
- Arena Authority
- Arts Commission
- Civil Service Commission
- Deferred Compensation Advisory Committee (DCAC)
- Downtown Parking Board
- Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices (formerly Ethics Commission)
- Federated and Police & Fire Retirement Boards
- Historic Landmarks Commission
- Housing & Community Development Commission
- Work2future (SVWIB) Board
- Planning Commission*

Gary

First Name

Diquisto

Last Name

Email Address

Street Address

Suite or Apt

San Jose

City

CA

State

95118

Postal Code

Are you a resident of San Jose?☒ Yes ☐ No

What district do you live in? To verify, please click here:

[https://rovservices.sccgov.org/Home/IndexPost?](https://rovservices.sccgov.org/Home/IndexPost?selected=dt&electionId=133&distance=5&navtab=vc&asm=simple)

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☒ District 9

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Length of Residency☒ 6 or more years

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Civil Service Commission: Submitted

Question applies to multiple boards

If appointed, would you be able to show proof of updated COVID-19 vaccination (inclusive of booster)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Retired

Employer

Police officer

Job Title

Current Employer Address

[REDACTED]

Current Employer of Spouse

Retired

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

[REDACTED]

Spouse's Job Title

Unemployed

If you or your spouse is retired and receiving a pension, please state source of pension.

I am receiving a retirement pension from the City and County of San Francisco and Social Security. My wife receives a pension from the Teamsters Union and Social Security.

[REDACTED]

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Interests & Experiences

High School, College, Professional, Vocational, or Other Schools Attended. Please include Major or Field of Study, Dates Attended, Degree and Date of Degree.

Graduated from Branham High School in 1969. West Valley J.C., received a Association of Arts for Police Science. 1969 through 1972. With San Francisco Police Department I was training with the F.B.I. Hostage Rescue Team, SAS British hostage rescue. Chemical Agents Instructor, Driver Awareness trainer, Press Information Officer. I was hired October 1, 1975 and retired September, 2012. 37 years of full duty.

List any position or office held in any governmental agency, civic, or charitable organization including the dates.

Police Officer, City and County of San Francisco. 1975 through 2012.

Languages Spoken

English

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Numerous Captains Commendations and one Police Commission Citation.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member.

As a former city employee I experienced working with other city employees who were terminated or disciplined that I felt were unjustified. I also worked with employees who were armed and I would not care to respond to calls with because I felt they were a danger to be around. Officers were routinely given satisfactory evaluations by supervisors only because said supervisor did not want to do the paperwork needed to discipline said employees. The other officers knew who the problem officers are, and knew that supervisors would pass them on evaluation. I feel that if City employee supervisors justify their jobs and supervisor pay they should honestly evaluate their employees, good ones and bad. It would make the discipline process smoother if we could honestly say this is a one off or that the employee is always a problem.

Please state any other information which you feel would be useful in reviewing your application

I have been on both sides of the discipline spectrum. With 5 years in I crushed a police car in a single vehicle accident rushing (too much) to a call. Got 30 days off. After that the next 32 years were smooth, with the Captains and Watch Commanders calling me for special details and Executive Protection assignments and training with the new officers.

Do you own property in the City of San José?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the addresses here.

Do you rent property in the City of San José?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, is it a month-to-month lease?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

Are you currently experiencing homelessness or have you experienced it in the past?

☐ Yes ☒ No

State and local law require that you abstain from participation in decisions that may affect your financial interests, including sources of income, interest in real property, personal finances or investments. In addition, if appointed, you may be required to fill out a disclosure statement which identifies certain financial interest beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment. Please review the scope of your board/commission in Municipal Code Chapter 2.08. Based on your best judgment, does this Board or Commission make decisions that may affect sources of income, interests in real property, personal finances or investments of you or your spouse?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain. Please identify any organizations, associations, corporations, or entities by which you are employed or associated that might be affected by decisions of this Board or Commission, and the positions you hold in these entities.

Question applies to multiple boards

If appointed, you will be required to fill out a disclosure statement, which identifies certain of your financial interests beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment and annually on or before April 1 of each year thereafter. Please confirm that you have read Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Form 700 Reference Pamphlet and agree to file required FPPC Form 700 Statements of Economic Interest, as required by current City Council Conflict of Interest resolution.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

Have you ever been required to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700) and failed to do so?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to multiple boards

If yes, please explain in complete detail.

Question applies to multiple boards

Please confirm that you have reviewed and agree to comply with the San Jose Municipal Code Chapter 12.08 (Prohibition of Gifts), City of San Jose Ethics Policy (City Policy Manual 1.2.1), and City of San Jose Gift Policy (City Policy Manual 1.2.2).

☒ Yes ☐ No

Reference 1 Name

Rich Oliver

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Email address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Jerry Stodulka

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Email address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Phone

[REDACTED]

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Supplemental Questions

Question applies to Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices,Civil Service Commission,Planning Commission

Are you a registered voter in the City of San Jose? (Please note, your voter registration will be independently verified)

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to Civil Service Commission,Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices,Planning Commission

Please provide the name and residential address under which you are registered to vote. If it is the same as listed above, please note see above.

See above

Question applies to Appeals Hearing Board,Civil Service Commission

Are you an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of California? If you are, please provide your California State Bar Association Number:

No

Question applies to Civil Service Commission

If you are applying to the Attorney-at-Law position on the Civil Service Commission, please indicate how long you have been licensed to practice law in the State of California. Note, you must have been licensed at least five years to be considered eligible for the position. If this question does not apply to you, select 'n/a'.

None Selected

If applicable, have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please describe your experience in serving on a Commission or Board.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, School, professional, social, Commissions, Boards, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment.

While a officer I was on several oral boards for entry level city employee hiring. Some boards were for police officers and some were for police service aides, a civilian position.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

To be present for oral presentations from the City and employees or their representatives for discipline or termination from city service.

Please list three issues facing the City that you feel the Council should address.

Hiring competent employees , retaining competent employees, promote competent employees

Question applies to Civil Service Commission

Council Policy prohibits former or current City employees to serve on the Civil Service Commission. Have you previously been employed by the City of San Jose?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to multiple boards

Do you meet the requirements for appointment to this commission?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Anything else you would like us to know?

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

Retirement Board Questions Only

Verification

By checking the box below, you agree with the following statement.

I agree that all of the information contained in my responses to the questions on this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further agree that, by checking the box below and submitting this application, online or otherwise, I am affixing my digital signature to this form as of the date submitted.

☒ I Agree *