

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*

Patrick

First Name

Waite

Last Name

Email Address

Street Address

Suite or Apt

San Jose

City

CA

State

95135

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)****[selected=dt&electionId=133&distance=5&navtab=vc&asm=simple](https://rovservices.sccgov.org/Home/IndexPost?selected=dt&electionId=133&distance=5&navtab=vc&asm=simple) ***☒ District 8**Mobile:**

Primary Phone

Home:

Alternate Phone

Length of Residency

☒ 6 or more years

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Senior Citizens Commission: Submitted

Retired	Retired
Employer	Job Title

Current Employer Address

N/A

Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Spouse's Job Title

N/A

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

Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Il., B.S. Economics (Political Science Minor), 5/1982, Magna cum Laude Willamette University, Salem, Or., M.B.A. Finance & Statistics, 5/1984, Highest Honors

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

Vice President, Finance, Seagate Technology, 1999-2004 Director, Finance and Manufacturing Controller, Lam Research, 1997-1999 Director, Engineering Finance, Tandem Computers, 1996-1997 Manufacturing Controller, Unisys Personal Computer Manufacturing, 1992-1996 Treasurer & Controller, Boole & Babbage Corp., 1990-1992 Assistant Corporate Controller, System Industries, 1988-1990 Finance Manager, Unisys Corporation, 1984-1988

Languages Spoken

English

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

Extensive budgeting experience, strong leadership skills, significant community involvement.

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. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I want to be a part of making San Jose the best city that it can be. I have broad experience with the issues faced by our city government based on my long history of volunteering in our community and my work with our elected officials and government employees. In addition, I have an extensive network throughout our City, which I believe makes me an ideal candidate for this commission. My intent is to help make our City a place where seniors can live comfortably and feel like welcome members of our community with access to services critical to their needs.

For special seats such as Early education seats or HCDC mobile home/low income seats, please describe how you qualify for those special seats. Please visit https://library.municode.com/ca/san_jose/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT2AD_CH2.08BOBUCO to see if the board for which you are applying has special seats.

Do you own property in the City of San José?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the addresses here.

[REDACTED]

Do you rent property in the City of San José?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

☐ 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. If applying for multiple commissions, please include information for all selected.

Reference 1 Name

Richard Crowley

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Email address

Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Pete Adams

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Email address

Reference 2 Phone

[REDACTED]

Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

Member, Board of Regents, Archbishop Mitty High School, 9/2004 - 5/2010 (President 9/2008 - 5/2010) Board Member, Expandability (previously Transaccess), 7/2006 - 12/2018 (President 1/2010 - 12/2015) Member, Board of Trustees, Willamette University, 5/2010 - 5/25 Board Member, The Catholic Community Foundation, 9/2009 - 12/2018, 8/2020 - Present Member, Independent Monitoring Commission, Santa Clara Valley Water District, 10/2010 - 11/2012 Board Member, Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility, 1/2014 - Present (President 2015, 2016 - Present) President, District 8 Community Round Table, 1/2022 - Present President, Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility, 6/2011 - Present

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

Deeply involved in community matters, especially as they relate to interaction with the City of San Jose. Deep connections to the Evergreen community, including numerous friends in The Villages.

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.

I served 2 years on the SCVWD Clean, Safe Creeks Independent Monitoring Commission. I attended every general meeting of the Commission, as well as numerous subcommittee meetings. I enjoyed the experience and it helped me better understand how dedicated government employees are to their mission.

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.

I am a creative problem solver willing to listen to all points of view in order to create the best solution to whatever problem is being addressed. I have a broad network that spans our City and its political spectrum, which should help me in determining what our residents think is right for our City.. Through my work with Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility I have developed a significant understanding of the intricacies of our City government and the difficulties that our Mayor, Council and staff face as they attempt to do what is best for our City.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

To advise the Council on actions that can make our City more responsive and attractive to older adults and elderly people.

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

1) Many older residents live on fixed incomes. San Jose needs to explore creative ways to help these residents get more for their money. 2) Make sure that recreational facilities are accessible to older adults and elderly residents with mobility issues, so that they can share in enjoying our parks and recreation centers. 3) Figure out ways to create interactive environments that help our senior residents avoid becoming reclusive and alone.

Describe recent San José arts activities you have participated in during the last twelve months (up to five activities) and what drew you to attend?

N/A

Describe the ways in which you believe the arts bring value to the general community, and what role should the City of an Jose have in arts and cultural development.

N/A

Should the City of San José have an active role in arts and cultural development? If so, in what ways and why?

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

What is the purpose of historic preservation in San José and what is the role of the Historic Landmarks Commission in achieving that purpose?

Where appropriate, to maintain the character of historically significant areas of the City.

Please explain your prior experience with historic preservation, with San José's public planning processes, and in working with City or other public agency staff.

We at the Meadowlands have been debating for years how to address the sad state of the barn at Metzger Ranch, located at the entrance to our community.

Do you have a background in early care and education issues?

☐ Yes ☒ No

What involvement have you had in library and/or early education issues?

Would you be willing to attend local special events/meetings as a representative of the Library and Early Education Commission?

Please describe your experience in working with governmental agencies.

As a Parks and Recreation Commissioner, how would you handle a situation where you have a volatile Community group which is opposed to a staff proposal?

Can you provide examples of major public policy issues that you have been involved in and what your role was in the issue?

What is a major issue facing San José's older adults and what do you see as the Commission's role in this issue?

As mentioned above, San Jose is an expensive place to live, and many older adults are on fixed incomes. The Commission should serve as a source of ideas for addressing this based on commissioners outreach to the target population.

Please describe a leadership role you have assumed within the last five years.

Please see my list of positions above. In addition I currently serve as the board chair of the Catholic Community Foundation and the Chair of Catholic Charities Finance Committee.

How would you handle differences in opinions or positions on issues being heard at a Senior Commission meeting?

I like to listen and find points of agreement to focus on in determining best outcomes.

What makes you knowledgeable about senior issues in the community?

I am a senior myself and spend much time with people in my age group. I have quite a few friends in The Villages and attend a variety of events there.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I think San Jose is one of the best cities in our nation. We have a generally civil and tolerant culture, amazing climate, and consistently rank among the safest large cities in the country. I would be honored to have the opportunity to help make San Jose even better.

(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 *

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

[Redacted Address]

[Redacted City/State/Zip]

[Redacted Phone Number]

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