

Boards and Commissions Application

Profile

Anthony

First Name

Strawa

Last Name

[Redacted]

Email Address

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

I am applying under the following stakeholder categories (Pick top 3): *

- Community Outreach
- Education/Research Center
- Energy Advocate

Are you a resident of San Jose?

Yes No

Length of Residency

6 or more years

What district do you live in? To verify, please click here: <https://eservices.sccgov.org/rov/?tab=dt> *

District 1

[Redacted]

Street Address

[Redacted]

Suite or Apt

San Jose

City

CA

State

95129

Postal Code

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

[Redacted]

Alternate Phone

retired

Employer

Commissioner

Job Title

Current Employer Address

[Redacted]

Current Employer of Spouse

retired

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

[Redacted]

Spouse's Job Title

NA

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

I receive a pension from the Federal Government.

Demographics (Optional)

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Question applies to multiple boards

Ethnicity

Question applies to multiple boards

To which gender identity do you most identify?

[Redacted]

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.

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, MS, PhD, Aeronautical Engineering 1986 Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI, MS in Management 1983 United States Air Force Academy, CO, BS, Aeronautical Engineering 1973

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

04/2011 – Present; Chief, New Pursuits Office and Director New Opportunities Center 04/2011 – Present; Catholic Climate Ambassador and Chair Diocese of San Jose Catholic Green Initiative 04/1997 - 04/2011; Lead, Aerosol and Cloud Physics Group, Earth Science Division 04/1992 - 03/1997; Research Scientist, Earth Science Division 09/1986 - 04/1993; Lead, Hypervelocity Free Flight Facility 07/1985 - 10/1977; USAF, Captain

Languages Spoken

English

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Distinguished Performance Rating 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012. NASA Honor Award: 2014, 2009, 2003, 2001. Space Act Award: 2006. Spotlight Award: 2015, 2002, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996. Monetary Superior Performance awards: 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1990, 1988, 1987. NASA Group Achievement Award: 2009, 2003, 2002, 2001, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1992, 1991

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As an Atmospheric Scientist, I am keenly aware of the impact that our decisions about energy are having on our community and our world. I believe that Community Choice Energy is a critical way to achieve a more sustainable energy profile and wish to do what I can to see it succeed in San Jose. I believe that my experience as a scientist and project manager at NASA, educator, and environmental justice activist, will help my work on this Commission.

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

I was Chair of the Diocese of San Jose Green Initiative for 9 years, active in promoting environmental and social justice issues in the community. I am an active member in the Citizens Climate Lobby. I taught Environmental Studies at Santa Clara University in 2007 and 2008 and have made numerous presentations on environmental issues at universities and local parishes.

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

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 of your financial interest beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment. Please review the scopr 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.

None.

Reference 1 Name

Jennifer Thompson

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Steve Zornetzer

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Phone

[REDACTED]

Supplemental Questions

If applicable, have you ever attended 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.

4 yrs as member of the SJCECAC.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, professional, social, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment to the selected commission(s).

I have over twenty-five years of experience at NASA leading teams (4-40 people) in executing projects on time and within budget. I have an understanding of the technical issues involved in sustainability and experience with the critical thinking needed to evaluate new and on-going projects through over twenty years as an atmospheric scientist and promoting NASA technologies. I am aware of the potential environmental and social justice issues that can arise from implementing energy policy having acted as Chair of the San Jose Diocese Green Initiative for 9 years. I have experience providing outreach to the community on environmental issues having served as a Catholic Climate Ambassador for 8 years, giving many talks on environmental and social justice issues at conferences, universities and parishes. I am familiar with the issues specific to implementing a CCA in San Jose because of my active involvement with the San Jose Community Energy group, attending meetings and San Jose City Council meetings.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

The purpose of the Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission is to provide advice to the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and SJCE Director about all aspects of SJCE operations. The Commission would provide advice to ensure that the best risk mitigation practices are followed in an effort to provide San Jose residents with clean, affordable, and resilient electric energy. Commission members will also be involved in outreach to the community to ensure that community needs are met to mitigate opt-out risk and meet the City's renewable energy goals.

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

Assisting the City in reducing its carbon footprint while providing affordable, reliable energy to the community; Insuring that implementation of the SJCE maintains the vibrant business community and improves employment in the City, particularly in the sustainability sector, and addresses the concerns of the underrepresented communities in the City; Encouraging sustainable practices in new and retrofit housing.

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

Based on the stakeholder categories you selected, please briefly describe your qualifications and applicable experience. Please attach resume at the end of the application.

Community Outreach - As a Catholic Climate Ambassador, I have spoken at colleges, scientific conferences, and local community gatherings on the ecological crisis, its effects locally and globally, and the importance of taking action locally and nationally. I was Chair of the Diocese of San Jose Green Initiative which advocated for environmental action at parishes in San Jose. I have written many articles on the effects and responses to climate change in the Diocese newspaper, the Valley Catholic.

Education/Research - I have been an active researcher at NASA in the Earth Science Division studying the effects of solar radiation and particulate matter on climate and human health. I have over 55 peer-reviewed publications. I have taught Environmental Sciences at Santa Clara University and at San Jose State University. I have lectured on environmental issues at universities, colleges, and high schools in the US.

Energy Advocate - I am an active member of the San Jose Community Energy Group and have attended City Council meetings in support of establishing Community Choice Energy in San Jose. I am an active member of the Citizens Climate Lobby and have attended their International Convention in Washington DC and met with Members of Congress and Senators to advocate for responsible national energy policies. I collaborated with the local Sierra Club to organize and teach groups of local Climate Action Teams.

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Given the small number of committee members, having a quorum is essential. Please describe your ability to make a commitment to attending and actively contributing to the committee (The committee will meet at least quarterly and in the evenings, but may meet more frequently in the early stages)

Attending Committee meetings will not be a problem. My evening are free to attend evening meetings. While I need to travel occasionally, I have a good deal of flexibility with my schedule.

I would like to say . . .

I am excited for the opportunity to serve my community as a Commission member in an area so closely aligned with my interests and experience.

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

Retirement Board Questions Only

Anthony Strawa

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 *

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Ruth
First Name

Merino
Last Name

[Redacted]
Email Address

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- Environmental (Association, Advocacy, Justice)

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Yes No

Length of Residency

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District 6

[Redacted]
Street Address

[Redacted]
Suite or Apt

San Jose
City

CA
State

95128
Postal Code

[Redacted]
Primary Phone

[Redacted]
Alternate Phone

Retired
Employer

Retired
Job Title

Current Employer Address

[Redacted]

Current Employer of Spouse

Retired

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

[Redacted]

Spouse's Job Title

Retired

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Ruth - City of San Jose pension.

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Interests & Experiences

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UC Berkeley, January 1974 - March 1978, BS Business Administration – Finance and Accounting

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

San Jose Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission - Member - February 2018 to present. San Jose City Auditor's Office – 1986 to 2010. Retired as a Senior Program Performance Auditor. Santa Clara County League of Conservation Voters - Volunteer Board Secretary - 2012 to present. San Jose Community Energy Advocates (a community group) - Volunteer Chair - January 2015 to present.

Languages Spoken

Spanish - fluent

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Yes, for audit work. Also, the community group I chair, San Jose Community Energy Advocates, received the City of San Jose Climate Smart Champion of the Year Award - 2019.

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 you are applying for the Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices, please indicate any familiarity or experience you may have with campaign laws.

I am applying for my second term on the Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission. I believe that by participating in the SJ Clean Energy commission I can try to help ensure the successful continued operations of SJ Clean Energy. As chair of San Jose Community Energy Advocates, a volunteer community group, I previously spent 2 1/2 years advocating with our partner organizations for the establishment of the San Jose Clean Energy program. We also reached out to members of the community who joined our efforts that resulted in the unanimous approval of the program by the City Council in 2017. My current objectives on the commission include advocating for the passage of SB612 in 2022 - to ensure that all ratepayers equally share the costs and benefits of the energy they pay for; and the transparency provisions will result in reduced costs for all ratepayers. This year, I called in during the State Energy Committee hearing regarding SB 612 to voice my support; submitted a letter on behalf of SJ Community Energy Advocates to the State Senate Appropriations Committee in support of SB 612, and reached out and called my state senator to support SB 612. In addition, I want to see SJCE offer the highest percentage of renewable energy content at competitive rates. Also, I want the City to include planning for distributed energy resources as soon as possible. I want to advocate to have SJCE receive Smart Meter Data on a timely basis. Currently, PG&E and the other IOUs in California are not providing Smart Meter data to CCAs in a reliable and timely fashion, and this his oversight is causing numerous market inefficiencies, cost allocation issues, and system stability risks. Also, I want advocate for the the California Independent System Operator, (CAISO) to address the problem of exports on pricing, especially during heat waves when market forces and processes allowed by CAISO drive up prices. According to CAISO's root cause analysis of the August 2020 heat waves, some exports which should not have occurred happened because of software problems, which have been fixed, and other exports because of their processes. My understanding is that some but not all of the market processes relating to unnecessary exports during heatwaves (resulting in higher prices) have been fixed. And according to CAISO's 3Q3 2020 Report on Market Issues and Performance: "The total estimated wholesale cost of serving load in the third quarter of 2020 was about \$1.3 billion more than in the same quarter of 2019" page 9 <http://www.aiso.com/documents/2020thirdquarterreportonmarketissuesandperformance-feb4-2021.pdf> This problem of the exports increases pricing and thus SJCE expenses. Also, in 2018, on behalf of SJCE, I opposed SB 237, the Direct Access bill. Unfortunately, it passed. I plan to continue to stay abreast of other legislative and regulatory issues pertaining to SJ Clean Energy.

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

n/a

Do you own property in the City of San José?

Yes No

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[Redacted]

Do you rent property in the City of San José?

Yes No

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

Yes No

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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.

Reference 1 Name

Ann Hancock

Reference 1 Address

[Redacted]

Reference 1 Phone

[Redacted]

Reference 2 Name

Rod Diridon

Reference 2 Address

[Redacted]

Reference 2 Phone

[Redacted]

Supplemental Questions

If applicable, have you ever attended 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 have served on the Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission for almost four years. During my term I have been engaged with the issues facing SJCE, and have been active in providing feedback at the meetings, as well as drafting written comments for inclusion in staff memos to the City Council. Also, as Chair of SJ Community Energy, I led our core team to expand our membership to include other individuals and partnerships through outreach, networking, our web presence, and social media. We had monthly meetings where we strategized our work. We advocated for the program with City Council members (and candidates) and attended Council and committee meetings. During a 2017 state legislative session, I sent a letter on behalf of SJ Community Energy, to all forty state senators opposing a last-minute legislative amendment, which if it would have passed, would have negatively affected not only San Jose Clean Energy, but also emerging CCE jurisdictions throughout the state. Previously, I have also sent advocacy letters on behalf of SJCE to the CPUC. On behalf of SJ Community Energy, I participated on the interview panel for the Director of the San Jose Department of Community Energy. I also serve as Board Secretary on the Board of the Santa Clara County League of Conservation Voters.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, professional, social, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment to the selected commission(s).

My experience serving on Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission for the past almost four years qualify me for another term. Also, I have served as the Chair of SJ Community Energy Advocates for six years. In addition, I am a retired City of San Jose Senior Program Performance Auditor where I developed knowledge of the City's policies and processes. I have good writing, interpersonal, research and advocacy skills. While advocating for SJ Clean Energy, I used my auditing skills to research and benchmark CCE factors including financing and the protection of the general fund.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

The purpose of the commission is outlined in the announcement - The CECAC will provide essential advice to the Mayor and City Council, City Manager, and the Director about all aspects of SJCE start-up and operations.

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

As I indicated in my response to the question above regarding my objectives, these are three issues facing SJCE that the commission should address: SJCE needs to continue to support SB 612 state senator to support SB 612. SJCE needs to plan for distributed energy resources. SJCE should receive Smart Meter Data on a timely and reliable basis. Also, SJCE needs lobby the the California Independent System Operator, (CAISO) to address the problem of exports on pricing, especially during heat waves when market forces and processes allowed by CAISO drive up prices.

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

Based on the stakeholder categories you selected, please briefly describe your qualifications and applicable experience. Please attach resume at the end of the application.

I have served on the Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission for almost four years. Also, I have served as Chair of SJ Community Energy for six years where I advocated for the City to establish a community energy program in order to use more renewable energy. I have described my qualifications above. In addition to the work experience listed above, I also worked for Bank of America from 1978 to 1986 primarily as a loan officer.

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

Given the small number of committee members, having a quorum is essential. Please describe your ability to make a commitment to attending and actively contributing to the committee (The committee will meet at least quarterly and in the evenings, but may meet more frequently in the early stages)

I am committed to attending all the meetings.

I would like to say . . .

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for this commission. I support SJCE's mission to procure clean, cost-effective energy for the benefit of its customers. I am a SJCE 100% renewable energy customer, and I drive a 2019 Kia Niro electric vehicle.

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

Retirement Board Questions Only

Verification

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

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I Agree *

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Profile

Victor
First Name

Niemeyer
Last Name

[Redacted]
Email Address

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Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

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Electricity Field (e.g. Electrical Utilities, Energy Production, Efficiency, Demand Reduction, Technology, Financing, Policy)

Are you a resident of San Jose?

Yes No

Length of Residency

6 or more years

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Primary Phone

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Alternate Phone

retired from Electric Power Research Inst.
Employer

Senior Tech Exec, independent consultant
Job Title

Current Employer Address

[REDACTED]

Current Employer of Spouse

retired from Live Oak Adult Day Services

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

[REDACTED]

Spouse's Job Title

Program Director

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none

Demographics (Optional)

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Ethnicity

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To which gender identity do you most identify?

[REDACTED]

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.

UC Berkeley, AB Economics UT Austin, PhD Economics

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

Member, Environmental Advisory Council of the New York Independent System Operator (ongoing)
Founding Board Member, Moreland Educational Foundation, representing Country Lane Elementary, for two year term when MEF was first founded (~1990) Advisor to Mayor's Commission on Electric Rates for City of Austin (~1976)

Languages Spoken

English, Spanish

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Many at work, no civic awards

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 you are applying for the Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices, please indicate any familiarity or experience you may have with campaign laws.

Have followed SJCE since its approval by the City Council in 2017. Believe I have professional experiences and perspectives that can support SJCE's mission in accelerating the transition to renewable energy while managing the financial risks to the City.

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

Have spent my professional life in electric system planning, rate design, environmental risk analysis, environmental markets, power markets, climate policy analysis, and technology assessment of renewables and storage. I am a member of the NYISO's (New York's version of CAISO) Environmental Advisory Council.

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

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Yes No

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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.

none

Reference 1 Name

Tom Wilson

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Gary Davidson

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Phone

[REDACTED]

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Yes No

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

Yes No

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Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, professional, social, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment to the selected commission(s).

A lifetime of experience in electric power system planning, economics, power markets, and environmental policy. Growing up in Latin America and the Philippines gave me early experience appreciating diverse cultures, and the fortunate circumstances of my own birth. It made me appreciate the importance of preserving diversity for a functioning representative democracy. That, and after four decades working in a not-for-profit with policy makers, regulators, technical colleagues, students, environmentalists, and scientists, I have developed a sense of the qualities people need to work together respectfully toward common goals. I would apply that experience toward selecting strong candidates for the City's commissions.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

Provide advice to the City Council on major issues and decisions related to the Council's management of SJCE

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

Supplying clean energy, keeping it affordable, avoiding costly financial market mishaps that would damage the city

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Have the availability, and honoring commitments is important to me

I would like to say . . .

I have attended more than a dozen SJCE meetings, two as a Commissioner, and I have been impressed with the commitment and thoughtfulness of the Commission members and the SJCE staff. Continuing to serve on the Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission would be an honor.

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

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Garfunkel
Last Name

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Street Address

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Suite or Apt

San Jose
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CA
State

95125
Postal Code

[Redacted]
Primary Phone

[Redacted]
Alternate Phone

Retired
Employer

Retired
Job Title

Current Employer Address

[Redacted]

Current Employer of Spouse

Veggielution

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

[Redacted]

Spouse's Job Title

Environmental Education Manager

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no pension (currently)

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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.

PhD in Physics from University of Illinois, 1982-88. BS in Physics from MIT, 1977-81.

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Co-founder of San Jose Community Energy Advocates Currently serving on San Jose Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission (~Aug'21 - present)

Glen Garfunkel

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english

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I have been deeply concerned about climate issues for several decades. I believe CCA's are a great mechanism for local communities to bring about meaningful substantial progress toward GHG reductions. A CCA's impact is just local, but it serves as a model for other communities, throughout the state and country. I started advocating for a CCA for San Jose in 2014. My objectives on the commission would be to provide community based feedback and input, help support SJCE's basic mission (lobby Sacramento, community outreach, etc) and its financial stability, and provide general critical review and input towards its operations and roadmap, where needed.

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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 of your 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

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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.

none

Reference 1 Name

Ruth Merino

Reference 1 Address

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Reference 1 Phone

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Reference 2 Name

Julie Allingham

Reference 2 Address

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Reference 2 Phone

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Supplemental Questions

If applicable, have you ever attended 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.

Have been serving on CECAC Commission since about Aug. The experience has been very positive; have learned a great deal in the past few months about California energy sector, San Jose City, SJCE, and CECAC, and feel I am in a better position to contribute to the success of SJCE. Have been serving on the special Ad Hoc Committee (within CECAC), which is reviewing a range of SJCE issues.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, professional, social, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment to the selected commission(s).

Experience managing engineering teams in a professional environment. Familiar with CCA history and community, PCIA issues, EJ and equity concerns and some legislative issues. Experience in environmental and community outreach (East Palo Alto).

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

CECAC provides advice to the City Council and Mayor, and key staff, about all aspects of SJCE operations and development. It seeks to identify areas of concern including legislative issues, track CCA best practices state wide and new opportunities for GHG reductions. It also serves as liaison channel to the San Jose community, including the DAC (community).

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

Assure the robust financial solvency of SJCE, in light of PCIA, COVID, and other impediments that impact the balance sheet. Facilitate transition to EV/clean transportation, and general electrification efforts; these provided the greatest opportunity for SJ GHG reductions. SJCE roadmap for continuous and substantial GHG reductions and equity improvements.

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

Based on the stakeholder categories you selected, please briefly describe your qualifications and applicable experience. Please attach resume at the end of the application.

(Please see the other question entries.) SJCE Advocate cofounder, strong believer in CCA concept and the ability of local communities to have a big impact. Professional, technical, science and physics background, with a long standing concern about climate change, and a commitment to the urgent need for GHG reductions. Attending CECAC mtgs.

Question applies to Clean Energy Community Advisory Commission

Given the small number of committee members, having a quorum is essential. Please describe your ability to make a commitment to attending and actively contributing to the committee (The committee will meet at least quarterly and in the evenings, but may meet more frequently in the early stages)

As I am retired, I can attend any meetings at any time.

I would like to say . . .

(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 *