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## Profile

Rachel

First Name

Royer

Last Name

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Email Address

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## Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Historic Landmarks Commission: Submitted

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## Are you a resident of San Jose?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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## Length of Residency

☒ Less than 1 year

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

☒ District 6

[REDACTED]

Street Address

[REDACTED]

Suite or Apt

San Jose

City

CA

State

95125

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Alternate Phone

Hunter Properties, Inc.

Employer

Director of Development

Job Title

[REDACTED]

Current Employer Address

Day & Zimmerman

Current Employer of Spouse



Address of Current Employer of Spouse

Senior Manager, Contracts

Spouse's Job Title

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

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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.**

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Washingtonville High School 1992-1996 State University of New York at Albany, B.A. Urban Planning, 1996-1999 University of Pennsylvania, M.S. Historic Preservation, 2001-2003

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

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Chair, Main Street Wilmington Design Committee, 2007-2010 Member, Board of Directors, Quaker Hill Historic Preservation Foundation, 2008-2010 Commissioner, Philadelphia Historical Commission, 2016-2018

English

Languages Spoken

**Special Awards or Recognitions Received**

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I have training and experience in Historic Preservation and am passionate about preserving historic resources. I am new to San Jose, but was very involved in the preservation community in Philadelphia for nearly 20 years and was appointed to the Philadelphia Historical Commission by the Mayor in 2016. I had to leave my post there when I moved out of Philadelphia and want to continue that important work in my new home City. I know there is a lot of development pressure in San Jose and I think it is important to balance that with preserving historic resources. I want to help protect San Jose's architectural history.

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

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I have extensive training and experience in historic preservation theory, techniques and practice. I can bring that hands-on preservation work and my experience as a real estate professional to the Historic Landmarks Commission.

**Do you own property in the City of San José?**

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☐ Yes ☒ No

**If yes, please list the addresses here.**

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**Do you rent property in the City of San José?**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

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

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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**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?**

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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.**

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Question applies to multiple boards

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☒ 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?**

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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**If yes, please explain in complete detail.**

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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).**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

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Jon Farnham

Reference 1 Name

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

David Hollenberg

Reference 2 Name

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Phone

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## Supplemental Questions

**Have you ever attended a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?**

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☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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☒ Yes ☐ No

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

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I was appointed to the Philadelphia Historical Commission by the Mayor to fill the seat of a Real Estate Development Professional in 2016. I served for 2 years, until I moved to San Jose. I also was a member of the Financial Hardship Committee of the PHC.

**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).**

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I have a M.S. in Historic Preservation from University of Pennsylvania and have been working in preservation, design and real estate development focusing on historic properties for over 15 years.

**What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?**

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The Commission has a responsibility to provide comments and recommendations to City Council regarding matters of historic resources and programs in San Jose.

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

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Balancing demand for development with historic resources. Protecting historic resources as density increasing in the areas around those resources. Providing ways to make preserving historic resources affordable and accessible.

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Question applies to Historic Landmarks Commission

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

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Historic Preservation in San Jose maintains and enhances historic resources in the City. The Commission has a responsibility to provide comments and recommendations to City Council regarding matters of historic resources and programs in San Jose.

**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.**

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I have many years of training and practical and professional experience in historic preservation. I have worked hands-on for many years to preserve historic buildings and adaptively reuse them. I was a Commissioner in Philadelphia prior to moving to San Jose. Having just moved here two months ago, I have not worked with many city staff yet, but am well-versed in doing so in other municipalities and can bring that outside experience to the process in San Jose.

**I would like to say . . .**

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I am passionate about historic preservation and would be honored to serve on the Historic Landmarks Commission in San Jose.

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(Optional) Please upload a resume.

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**Retirement Board Questions Only**

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## Verification

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

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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.

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☒ I Agree \*



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## Profile

Eric

First Name

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Last Name

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Email Address

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## Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Historic Landmarks Commission: Appointed

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## Are you a resident of San Jose?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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## Length of Residency

☒ 6 or more years

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☒ District 10

[REDACTED]

Street Address

[REDACTED]

Suite or Apt

San Jose

City

CA

State

95120

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Alternate Phone

Franklin McKinley School District

Employer

Educator

Job Title

[REDACTED]

Current Employer Address

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Current Employer of Spouse



Address of Current Employer of Spouse

Project Manager

Spouse's Job Title

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49-99 Library Advisory System: Advisory Board Member for Stanislaus County: 2008-2010

English

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**Special Awards or Recognitions Received**

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Certificated Staff of the Year: College Connection Academy (Franklin Mckinley School District), San Jose, CA. 2013 The John Randolph and Dora Haynes Recognition Award for Outstanding MPA Project: USC, Los Angeles, 2013

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As a Bay Area native, and 6th generation Californian, I feel very connected to our state and its rich, diverse history. I believe the bulk of my education has pivoted upon California studies - particularly in referencing the evolutionary aspects of California government, literature, land use, agriculture, transportation, and architectural artifacts. As member of the Historic Landmarks Commission, I would be interested in working to identify, preserve, and bring attention to San Jose's rich cultural artifacts.

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**Carl Stice**

Reference 1 Name

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

**Juliet Musso**

Reference 2 Name

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Phone

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Serving on the 49-99 Library Advisory Board was a transformative experience. I enjoyed getting to know other board members. I also enjoyed learning about public budgets, ethics, rules of order, soliciting public input, and positive decision-making. I was pleased and honored to serve the community in this capacity.

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As a public school educator, I have taken on many roles relevant to serving on a commission. I have served as Academic Lead, School Site Council, and Chair of the department. All of which careful analysis of budgets, policy, and public input. In addition, I enrolled in UC Davis Land Use and Environmental Planning Certificate Program. This program exposed me to site planning, CEQA, and an overview of the planning process. These courses led me to complete my Masters in Public Administration at USC. This coursework involved finance, economics, California Government, public policy, and leadership.

**What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?**

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I understand the purpose of the Historic Landmarks Commission is to offer comments and recommendations to city departments involved in planning near historic sites. The Commission also maintains an ongoing inventory of historic sites to be used as a dynamic reference when commenting on proposals dealing with these sites.

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

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1). Preserving historical landmarks under threat from increasing growth /density/limited housing. 2). Proactively educating the public of San Jose's rich historical heritage sites. 3). Provide opportunities for more public input on proposals dealing with San Jose's rich historical sites.

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Question applies to Historic Landmarks Commission

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

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The purpose of historic preservation is to connect citizens to the land - that they might respect and learn from history and their land. Not only does this educate and inspire future generations, it engenders a "life-place" / ownership attitude among residents - leading to a more consistent and stable government and populace.

Question applies to Historic Landmarks Commission

**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.**

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As a native Bay Area resident, I am passionate about preserving our historical sites and structures. In College, I majored in English because I was fascinated with local history. My graduate work in Public Administration and Public Policy are also rooted in a love for California history and land use. I also have taken courses in Land Use and Environmental Planning at UC Davis Extension.

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