

Boards and Commissions Application

Profile

Anthony

First Name

Rossello

Last Name

Email Address

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.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Housing and Community Development Commission: Submitted

Neighborhoods Commission: Submitted

Are you a resident of San Jose?☒ Yes ☐ No**Length of Residency**☒ Less than 1 year

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

☒ District 4

Street Address

Suite or Apt

San José

City

CA

State

95134

Postal Code

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

King Digital (Activision-Blizzard)

Employer

Software Engineer

Job Title

Current Employer Address

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.

N/A

[REDACTED]

☒ [REDACTED]

☒ [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.

High School: St. Brendan Catholic High School, Miami, FL College: University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
Jan 2015 - May 2019 B.S. in Computer Science, May 2019

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

N/A

Languages Spoken

English, Spanish, Japanese

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

N/A

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.

California, San José included, is facing a housing crisis which threatens the livelihood of its residents, especially low-income residents and those of color. To remedy this, everyone agrees that more housing needs to be built, even if they disagree on how or where development should take place. I believe that the housing crisis is one of the biggest challenges facing the city and I want to serve our growing community and the residents who call it home. I am applying to both the Neighborhood Commission and the Housing and Development Commission with the following objectives in mind (in no particular order): a. Ensuring that neighborhoods in District 4, including my own in North San José, have a voice in future development. b. As the RHNA Housing Element sixth cycle approaches, supporting and advising on robust, achievable, and sustainable housing targets that include affordable housing in "high-opportunity areas" (i.e. those areas with easy access to transportation). c. Advocating for Hispanic/Latino residents and other residents of color in District 4 in matters regarding to housing and development. d. Advocating for development is environmentally-friendly.

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

I am a Cuban-American, the child of two refugees who fled an oppressive regime to find freedom in the United States. Having grown up possessing an intimate familiarity with the immigrant experience in the United States, I believe I have an understanding of the challenges facing immigrants and communities of color, particularly Hispanic/Latino communities and I will advocate for their interests. It is people of color, Hispanics and Latinos included, who are disproportionately affected by California's housing crisis and they need community leaders to listen and give them a voice.

Do you own property in the City of San José?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list the addresses here.

N/A

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 indentifies 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.

N/A

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

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If yes, please explain in complete detail.

N/A

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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

Shyanne Amoyo

Reference 1 Address

[REDACTED]

Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Charles Fussell

Reference 2 Address

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.

N/A

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 volunteer for a housing advocacy group (YIMBY Action and South Bay YIMBY) where I have received and will be receiving training in understanding the California RHNA Housing Element process, as well as how cities can effectively expand housing access.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

The purpose of the Neighborhood Commission is to give the residents of San José neighborhoods a voice in matters that affect daily life in their communities.

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

1. The housing and homelessness crisis is the biggest issue facing the City at this time. Commissions like the Neighborhood Commission and Housing and Development Commission should address this issue by expanding access to affordable housing through both public-sector and private-sector housing development. 2. Issues related to the COVID-19 crisis continue to be a huge challenge to the City. The Commissions can address this by advocating for and advising on programs aimed at increasing access to vaccination centers, as well as those providing temporary and permanent lodging for our homeless residents (such as with Project Homekey). 3. The City currently is facing a problem of illegal dumping which affects the quality of life in our neighborhoods. While there has been some progress on this front in regards to reporting illegal dumping, there is more that can be done to remedy this and it should be addressed by the Neighborhood Commission.

Question applies to Housing and Community Development Commission

If you live in, own, lease or manage property subject to a City rent ordinance (i.e., the Mobilehome Rent Ordinance or Rental Dispute and Mediation Ordinance), please list the address here. This includes mobilehomes, mobile home parks, and apartments/apartment buildings building during or before 1979.

N/A

Question applies to Housing and Community Development Commission

If your employer or other source of income owns, leases or manages property subject to a City rent ordinance (i.e., the Mobilehome Rent Ordinance or Rental Dispute and Mediation Ordinance), or if you are unsure, please list your employer's name or other source of income and address here.

N/A

Question applies to Housing and Community Development Commission

What experience do you have with affordable housing issues?

I moved to California after securing a full-time job offer here at Moffett Field in Mountain View. Although I had previously lived in San José during a college internship, I could not afford to live here and had to live in Hayward and make the long commute down to Mountain View. This was my first experience with California's housing crisis. Now that I can finally afford to live in San José, I have gotten involved in housing advocacy groups like YIMBY Action and South Bay YIMBY to advocate for an increase in housing development. As part of my volunteering, I have received presentations and will continue to receive training on California's RHNA Housing Element process.

Question applies to Housing and Community Development Commission

Please explain your familiarity with the Community Development Block Grant Program?

The Community Development Block Grant Program is provided by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds are crucial in addressing the challenges and concerns in our communities of color and our low-income communities.

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I am applying for a Low- or Moderate-Income Position on the Commission. See requirement below.

☐ Yes ☒ No

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I qualify for a Low- or Moderate-Income Seat on the Housing and Community Development Commission. Please indicate how you qualify by selecting one of the following:

None Selected

Question applies to Housing and Community Development Commission

I meet the requirements for one of the Housing and Community Development Commission Special Eligibility Seats. Please note, if you indicate you are mobilehome resident or landlord representative, you will need to submit a copy of a letter from that organization indicating their nomination of you as their representative.

☒ n/a

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Do you have experience in any of the following areas? *

☒ None

I would like to say . . .

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(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 *