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CITY COMMISSION/BOARD APPLICATION

GENERAL / CONTACT INFORMATION

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DATE: December 20, 2017

Appointed Commissioners must be a resident and registered voter of the City (**DHSMC \$2,24,040**)

Length of Residency in Desert Hot Springs:

2014

Registered Voter in Desert Hot Springs since:

2014

Indicate the following Commissions/Committees/Boards in which you are most interested in serving.

Number in order of preference (Example: #1 for 1st choice, #2 for 2nd choice, #3 for 3rd choice, etc.)

Not Interested ☐ Planning Commission

Not Interested ☐ Oversight Board to the RDA Successor Agency

➔ (Members not subject to residency requirements)

Not Interested ☐ Public Safety Commission

Not Interested ☐ Architecture and Landscape Review Committee

1st ☒ Community & Cultural Affairs Commission (CCAC)

See attachment for Commission/Committee/Board descriptions or visit the City's website at www.cityofdhs.org for more information

Occupation and Employer: Retired/ self-employed/business owner

(If retired, indicate last occupation/employer)

The following information consists of some of the factors used by the City Council, and/or subcommittee thereof to select final applicants: 1) Background, education, experience to demonstrate sound judgement; 2) Diversity in commission membership; and 3) attendance at commission meetings prior to interview

Background / Work Experience / Civic Involvement:

I have a Bachelor's degree from the University of Utah. I owned an upholstery manufacturing business for 31 years at which I employed 10-20 people. I served as Chair of the Stonewall Democrats, the LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party in Utah for 6 years.

I have been active with Desert Hot Springs' non-profits and am on the boards of both the Friends of and Advocates(CFO) for the Desert Hot Springs Library.

I am a volunteer with the Mayor's Office and an administrator of DHSdaily.com.

I work with the Spa City Palletteers on the placement of art in the City Council Chamber.

Education / Training:

See above. Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree which helped me in my business and in public speaking.

As stated above, I have had extensive OJT working with groups both here in DHS and Salt Lake City, Utah.

My education has given me the ability to work with people for a common goal.

Have you served on a City Commission or Board in Desert Hot Springs or any other City?

☐ No ☒ Yes If yes, complete below:

Desert Hot Springs	CCAC Commissioner	2014	3 months
CITY	COMMISSION/POSITION	WHEN	LENGTH OF SERVICE
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Have you ever attended a City Council Meeting? ☐ No ☒ Yes

Have you ever attended a City Commission Meeting? ☐ No ☒ Yes If yes, list which commissions and approximately how many.

Describe your knowledge of the functions, regulations and procedures of the Commission (1st choice) on which you would like to serve:

I have attended numerous meetings of the CCAC, as this is a passion for me. I believe the functions of the Commission need to focus much more on outreach and programs for Seniors and youth of our city. The CCAC oversees so much more than art and art in public places. Attempts have been made to have music events with little follow through. I believe this is a great idea for our city and should be developed. I understand that the function of the CCAC is being re-assessed and there may be new opportunities to connect the City with the citizens through programs supported by and implemented by the CCAC.

What specific skills, attitudes, and experience do you think you have that will enhance the work of the Commission?

An understanding of the need for art and the greater need for the seniors and youth, as previously mentioned. Having been on many boards and having run a Congressional campaign for Utah's third District, I believe I have the understanding and experience that is needed on the CCAC. I realize that this position will require more time from me, so I will be looking at which positions I will need to leave to focus on the Commission.

What specific issues or problems face the commission? Do you have suggestions to address these issues or problems?

As mentioned, I was on the CCAC shortly after I moved here. I resigned due to the fact that I did not have the knowledge and the history with the city at that time to serve. There has been a push for "art" in public places with a disregard for the other, and in my opinion, much more important duties of the Commission. I believe more information needs to be shared so the public can and will understand all that the Commission does for the city. More can be done for the youth through the Library, the Boys and Girls Club and the Boys and Girls Scouts, to name a few of the entities that serve the youth in our Community. I believe that outreach through social media and other means to the ethnic, religious and racial groups needs to be developed, as this is one of the functions that the CCAC is expected to do and one that is most frequently ignored.

Appointed Commissioners may be required to submit a Fair Political Practices Act, Statement of Economic Interests (pursuant to Government Code §87200 and/or Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code Section §2.20.050)

NOTE: This document is a public record and is subject to disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act. Personal contact information will not be released without consent. Your Application will be considered by the City Council, provided that a vacancy exists on a Commission or Board for which you have applied. If there is no vacancy, your application will be kept on file for two years, to be considered when an opening does occur.

I hereby certify that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

Applicant's Signature

Date

12.20.17

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Save the application for your records
AND Submit the application to jsoriano@cityofdhs.org
OR Print and mail to: City of Desert Hot Springs
Office of the City Clerk
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