

**CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**65950 Pierson Boulevard, Desert Hot Springs, CA, 92240 • www.cityofdhs.org • P: (760) 329-6411 F: (760) 288-3129**CITY COMMISSION/BOARD APPLICATION****GENERAL / CONTACT INFORMATION**

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DATE: January 8, 2018Appointed Commissioners must be a resident and registered voter of the City (**DHSMC \$2.24.040**)**Length of Residency in Desert Hot Springs:**

7 years

Registered Voter in Desert Hot Springs since:

2011

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.)

3rd	Planning Commission	Select One	Oversight Board to the RDA Successor Agency	➡	(Members not subject to residency requirements)
2nd	Public Safety Commission	Select One	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:** Business Development Manager, Desert Arc -- references furnished upon request

(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 judgment; 2) Diversity in commission membership; and 3) attendance at commission meetings prior to interview

Background / Work Experience / Civic Involvement:

I have lived in the Coachella Valley since 1991. I was the 4th graduating class at Cathedral City High School. Although, I have not demonstrated any Civic Involvement prior to this application, my education and background can serve to prove and demonstrate sound judgment. Additionally, I have been in Business Development for many years as well as studying Organizational Development in Academics; therefore, my interests include the development of areas--whether it be in business, operations, community, etc. Moreover, I have strong community involvement within the Coachella Valley which can be seen below.

Desert Arc, Palm Desert, CA
 Business Development Specialist, April 2016 - Present

IN-N-OUT BURGER-Home Store Operations, California, Arizona, Nevada, & Texas
 Shift Supervisor, September 1996 - September 2015

Education / Training:

University of Redlands, CA
 Master of Arts in Management (M.A.M.), January 2015

- Emphasis in Business Development & Operations (3.763 GPA)
- Elected Class Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and inducted into the Whitehead Leadership Society (WLS)

Roosevelt University, IL
 Master of Arts in Organizational Development (M.A.O.D), In Progress

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

☒ No

☐ Yes

If yes, complete below:

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:

Although I do not know all the CCAC regulations, my Academic and Business prowess will demonstrate my ability to learn these regulations as needed in order to serve without constraint. Since the CCAC functions are to recommend planned approaches for delivery of leisure, recreational, and community services for youth and seniors, my educational background, work experience, and extra-curricular activities demonstrate familiarity with working with an array of community programs. And I believe that with my experience and background will help provide the CCAC a new approach for community services development to the demographics we serve within the community of Desert Hot Springs.

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

While in graduate school, I was inducted to the Whitehead Leadership Society at the University of Redlands. This Society was an exclusive society that members were inducted strictly on the basis of their contributions to society. Once inducted, members meet globally each year to coordinate volunteering activities within their communities they work and live in. Many of these activities involve working with various non-profits to provide additional support and volunteers for their programs.

Additionally while in graduate school, I founded a non-profit charity recognized by the IRS as a 501c3. We help low income student athletes in the Coachella Valley. It is a start-up non-profit. Within just a couple years, we received a large Donor who supports our Mission from the Sacramento Region Community Foundation. Long term strategy for this project is to help mentor young student athletes when navigating from High School to +

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

In the 7 years I have lived in the City of Desert Hot Springs, I have seen the growth of the city expand in such a short time amount of time. There are very promising future strategies for the city as time moves forward. Especially with the growth of a very new industry in the community within recent months, development is increasing. With that comes an influx of population growth in an array of various demographics. Therefore in relation to the CCAC, a clear vision and strategy for upcoming changes in demographics and changes to cultural geography, and assess community programs accordingly to ensure that all the services provided by the CCAC's community services are met for those said demographics.

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:

Dawn M. Diaz 1/8/18
Applicant's Signature Date

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
65950 Pierson Boulevard
Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240 →