



Commission/Board Application

Your Application will be considered by the Desert Hot Springs City Council provided that a vacancy exists on a Commission/Board for which you have applied. If there is no vacancy, your application will be kept on file for 1 year to be considered when an opening does occur.

REQUIREMENTS:

Appointed Commissioners must be a resident and registered voter of the City of Desert Hot Springs (DHSMC § 2.24.040)

Residency *

Length of Residency in the City of Desert Hot Springs

1 year

(Example: 2 Years)

Registered Voter *

Are you a Registered Voter in the City of Desert Hot Springs?

☒ Yes

☐ No

GENERAL INFORMATION

Last Name *

Johnson

First Name *

Karen

Address *

Street Address

[REDACTED]

Address Line 2

City

Desert Hot Springs

State / Province / Region

CA

Postal / Zip Code

92240

Country

United States of America

Phone Number *

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

WHICH COMMISSION/BOARD ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING

Number in order of preference.

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Community & Cultural Affairs Commission

☐ 1st Choice ☐ 2nd Choice ☐ 3rd Choice ☒ Not Interested

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Planning Commission

☐ 1st Choice ☐ 2nd Choice ☒ 3rd Choice ☐ Not Interested

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Public Safety Commission

☒ 1st Choice ☐ 2nd Choice ☐ 3rd Choice ☐ Not Interested

QUESTIONS

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 consideration.

Background / Work Experience / Civic Involvement

I have taught elementary and middle school in Desert Hot Springs for nineteen years. I lived in the Dos Palmas neighborhood for 13 years and moved just north of Wardman Park a little over a year ago.

Occupation and Employer (If retired, indicate last occupation/employer)

I am the President of the Palm Springs Teachers Association, and I am employed by the Palm Springs Unified School District. I am a teacher.

Education / Training

I earned a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Arts both in elementary education from the University of Minnesota.

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

☒ No ☐ Yes (If yes, please describe below)

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 below)

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

The Public Safety Committee acts as a go-between for the city leaders, police and fire department, and the residents of Desert Hot Springs. They support the Desert Hot Springs High School's Public Safety Academy. They listen to reports from Animal Control, the Police Department, and the Fire Department, and they use the public committee meetings to listen to concerns from residents of Desert Hot Springs, review budgets and proposals regarding public safety, and conduct business regarding safety concerns in Desert Hot Springs.

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

I have a positive attitude, I work well with a multitude of personalities. I serve on the Palm Springs Unified School District Safety Committee.

What specific issues or problems face the Commission/Board? Do you have suggestions to address these issues or problems?

Growing our city in a safe and responsible manner. Looking at traffic safety, bicycle paths, safe routes to schools, the safety of our pedestrians, ADA compliance, and the crime rates in our area.

Appointed Commissioners may be required to submit a Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), Statement of Economic Interests Form (Form 700) pursuant to CA Government Code § 87200 and/or Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code § 2.20.050. As an appointed commissioner or boardmember, State law requires two hours of training in general ethical principles and ethics laws every two years. More information will be provided upon appointment. Some or all of the content contained in this application and its attachments may be subject to disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act (CA Government Code § 6250, Et Seq.)

Signature *

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

A black rectangular box used to redact the signature of the applicant.