

Application for Appointment to a Citizen Commission, Board, Committee, or Task Force



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Acknowledgement

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens, and residents and electors of the City of Huntington Beach during the appointment process and term, and may not hold more than one membership at a time.
- Pursuant to the [Municipal Code Chapter 2.100](#), no members of boards or commissions shall hold any paid office or employment in the City personnel system.
- All Council appointed commission, board, and committee members are required to take two hours of AB1234 public service ethics training and AB1661 harassment prevention training every two years and thereafter.
- All Council appointed commission, board, and committee members must comply with the City's [Huntington Beach Code of Ethics Policy](#), [Social Media Policy for Elected and Appointed Officials \(AR 509\)](#), [Equal Employment Opportunity Policy \(AR419\)](#), [Anti-Harassment Policy \(AR 412\)](#), and [Workplace Violence Policy \(AR 416\)](#).
- You are applying for a public position. As such, the information provided in your application becomes a public record once the appointment process is completed, and may be subject to public inspection pursuant to the California Public Records Act.
- If appointed, you will be required to take an Oath of Office and are subject to filing a Statement of Economic Interests pursuant to the [City's Conflict of Interest Policy](#) (Resolution 2023-01).

I acknowledge and certify that I meet the requirements listed in the notice above.

| Last Name * | First Name * | Middle Initial | Date * |
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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force *

Environmental & Sustainability Board

Length of Residency in Huntington Beach *

10 years current

Occupation *

Professor of Geology and Environmental Science

If you are not a U.S. citizen, or if you are currently serving on a board, you will be disqualified from the application process.

United States Citizen? *

Yes No

Currently Serving on a City Board or Commission? *

Yes No

If so, which one? *

Environmental & Sustainability Board

Home Address: *

Street Address

[REDACTED]

Address Line 2

City

Huntington Beach

State

California

Postal / Zip Code

92647

Phone Numbers

Personal

Phone Numbers

Business

Type * (?) Number *

cell

[REDACTED]

Type (?) Number

[REDACTED]

Personal Email *

[REDACTED]

Educational Background*

B.S, Geology, Environmental Science and Economics
Masters in Civil Engineering Hydrology

Professional Licenses and/or Associations*

Member of Geological Society of America (GSA)
Surfrider Foundation Blue Water Task Force (BWTF) Testing ocean water from the Huntington Beach to the O. C L.A County line. Involved in Beach, Channel and Harbor Cleanups on a regular basis

Professional Experience*

Worked in the environmental field in mining environmental regulations and remediation
Full Professor of Geology Golden West College

Special Knowledge or Skills*

Background in Business and science worked for private enterprise and government able to bridge the gap between environmentalist and business people. I understand a broad spectrum of Political and environmental beliefs and act as an independent not tied to one political party

Civic Interests and/or Service Memberships?*

Past member of the Huntington Beach Environmental Board Currently part of the core group of the Surfrider Foundation. BWTF coordinator and education outreach

How will your qualifications best serve the citizen advisory group that you are applying for, and why do you wish to serve on this group?*

By provide residents with accurate information on environmental issues facing the city and listen to their concerns and respect the opinions of others. Also act as an open minded person as a go Between the city and the Huntington Beach public. Inform my students at Golden West College current events and environmental concerns. Bringing real world local examples that occur in Huntington Beach have a great impact on Student learning and it provides real life situations that impact our community. I have done this in the past and it is an effective learning tool for our students. In addition, I inform Surfrider and its membership on current Huntington Beach environmental issues.

I certify that all statements made on this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read and understand the duties and responsibilities of the particular position that I am applying for and authorize the release of this information.

Signature*



It is the policy of the City Council to make appointments to the citizen commissions, boards, and committees, based on the needs of the city, as well as the interests and qualifications of each applicant. Selection will be made without discrimination based on the applicant's race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, political affiliation, veterans' status, disabilities, or any medical condition or any other basis protected by federal and state statutes.

All applications will remain active for one (1) year from the date received and be kept on file for 2 years for the position(s) applied for.

Additional information concerning a particular commission, board, committee, or task force or the application process is available through the staff support department identified above. General questions can be directed to Cathy Fikes, (714) 536-5553.