

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT  
TO A CITIZEN COMMISSION, BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR TASK FORCE**

(Please type or print clearly)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: Before applying, you need to know the following:**

- ☆ All Council appointed commission, board, and committee members are required bi-annually to take harassment training and two hours of ethics training.
- ☆ You are applying for a public position. As such, the information provided in your application is a public record and cannot be kept confidential.

This application should be returned to the City Council Offices, P.O. Box 190, Huntington Beach, CA 92648 or in person to the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of City Hall, 2000 Main Street (at Yorktown).

NAME McGowan Kathleen C DATE 12/14/2018  
Last First Middle Initial

NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, OR TASK FORCE Environmental Board

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY 6 yrs OCCUPATION Environmental Consultant

UNITED STATES CITIZEN? Yes CURRENTLY SERVING ON A CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION? No

IF SO, WHICH ONE? \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME ADDRESS:**

**BUSINESS ADDRESS:**

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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

B.S., Chemical Engineering, The Johns Hopkins University

M.S., Environmental Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES AND/OR ASSOCIATIONS**

Registered Professional Engineer in Chemical Engineering, CA License No. CH 4989

California Stormwater Quality Association, subcommittee on Watershed Mgmt. & Impaired Waters

American Institute of Chemical Engineers, member

(currently working toward certification as an Envision Sustainability Professional)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

My environmental consulting experience spans 30 years of work in watershed protection and industrial and hazardous waste management. My current consulting practice is focused on stormwater/urban runoff management and watershed protection for municipal clients in LA County. I have taught environmental technology courses at the college level, and also served as Education Director and Executive Director of a non-profit land conservancy.

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**SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR SKILLS**

Effective writing, grant writing, technical and regulatory testimony and analysis.

Familiar with coastal sage scrub habitat/plant communities in the area.

Experience reviewing CEQA EIRs, mitigated negative declarations, etc.

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**CIVIC AND/OR SERVICE MEMBERSHIPS**

Previously served as appointed citizen on the Palos Verdes Landfill Advisory Committee (2 years)

Previously served as adult leader and merit badge counselor in Boy Scouts of America (5 years)

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**CIVIC INTERESTS**

I am interested in sustainable infrastructure and development and supporting local government leadership in this area.

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**HOW WILL YOUR QUALIFICATIONS BEST SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY?**

If I am selected to serve on the Environmental Board, I will strive to work with my colleagues to find effective, evidence-based solutions to the challenges posed to us by the City Council.

I will apply my technical and regulatory expertise to provide effective analysis on which the Council can rely for decision-making and policy setting.

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**WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE ON A VOLUNTEER CITIZEN'S BODY?**

In consulting for small municipalities I have worked closely with city councils and have seen how local government comes closest to the democratic ideals envisioned by our country's founders.

By providing my environmental expertise to our local elected officials I hope to help them develop effective, technically informed environmental policies in the best interests of our community.

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**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 race, creed, gender, or sexual orientation of the applicant.**

**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.**

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