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CITY OF COACHELLA

COMMISSION APPLICATION

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COMMISSION:

- ☒ Planning
- ☐ Cultural and Arts
- ☐ Parks and Recreation
- ☐ Utilities User Tax Citizen Oversight (UUT)
- ☐ Youth Advisory (To be eligible for appointment to the Commission you must be enrolled in high school. Please state your age and high school you currently attend in the "other comments" in section 5.)
- ☒ Social Justice & Public Safety

To be eligible for appointment to any Commission you must be a resident of the City of Coachella. Members may only serve on one commission/committee.

Note: In the event a member of the commission has three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from meetings of the Commission, the City Council may declare the office of such member vacant.

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PLEASE FURNISH BRIEF RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

1. Why do you think you should be appointed? What is there specifically in your background, training, education and interests that qualifies you as a candidate?

My background in environmental justice, community advocacy, and community engagement makes me a qualified candidate. I have experience as an education specialist and have been an active advocate in the Eastern Coachella Valley. I bring a focus on intersectionality, particularly my work supporting disabled individuals, multilingual learners, and communities of color, highlights your ability to bring diverse voices into decision-making processes.

2. What do you see as the goals and objectives of the Commission? How would you help achieve these objectives and goals?

To ensure equitable, inclusive, and sustainable action that uplift marginalized voices, improve quality of life, and promote social and environmental justice within the community. This can be achieved through addressing systemic inequities, fostering community collaboration, and promoting inclusive practices.

3. What special qualities can you bring to the Commission?

I bring a unique combination of lived experience, professional expertise, and a deep commitment to equity, inclusion, and community-driven solutions. My background in advocacy, environmental justice, and accessibility equips me to ensure that underrepresented voices are at the center of decisions that shape our community's future.

4. Do you have any questions or comments about the Commission's structure or functions?

The Commission should seek to adopt decolonized frameworks to guide policies that challenge traditional, inequitable systems.

5. Other comments and/or ideas as to how you as a member of the selected Commission could benefit the City of Coachella.

We should also advocate for a participatory budgeting process to allow residents to directly influence how resources are allocated.

Signature

Stephanie Ambriz

Date 11/20/2024

Note: Members of commissions shall be appointed for four-year terms or less. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

Youth Advisory Commission Note: The term of a Commissioner is one year from August to June; mirroring the local school district's school year.

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

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City of Coachella
53-462 Enterprise Way
Coachella, CA 92236

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