



# Folsom City Council Staff Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	2/23/2021
<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b>	New Business
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Appointment of At-Large Members to the Folsom Historic District Commission
<b>FROM:</b>	City Clerk's Department

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff is requesting that the Mayor, with the consent of the City Council, appoint two business seat representatives to the Historic District Commission for the terms ending as identified:

- A. Representative from a Historic District business outside the Sutter Street Subarea; *term ending December 2022*
- B. Representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street subarea; *term ending December 2021*

## BACKGROUND / ISSUE

The terms of all at-large appointments to City of Folsom commissions and committees (except three of the at-large appointments to the Historic District Commission) expire in December of even numbered years. Councilmember Rosario Rodriguez previously served as the representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street subarea; with her election to the Folsom City Council in November 2020, an appointment needs to be made to fill the remainder of that term.

## POLICY

Folsom Municipal Code Section 17.52.020 establishes the Historic District Commission as a seven member commission appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council. Specific seat requirements are set forth as:

- A. One representative who is actively involved with historic preservation;
- B. One representative who is a resident of the historic district;
- C. One representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street subarea;
- D. Two planning commissioners;
- E. One representative from a historic district business outside the Sutter Street subarea;
- F. One architect, landscape architect, or other design professional with expertise in historic preservation.

Folsom Municipal Code Section 17.52.040 provides that members of the Historic District Commission are appointed to serve two years.

## ANALYSIS

The following two seats on the Historic District Commission are currently vacant:

- One representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street subarea
- One representative from a historic district business outside the Sutter Street subarea

The vacancy was advertised in the Folsom Telegraph, on the city's webpage and on social media. The city has received three applications, which are now presented for the City Council's consideration and appointment.

- A. Representative from a Historic District business outside the Sutter Street Subarea;  
*term ending December 2022*
  1. Applicant: John Felts
- B. Representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street subarea; *term ending December 2021*
  1. Mark Dascallos
  2. John Voelz

The applicants are eligible for these seats based upon their businesses and the business location.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Applications:  
Mark Dascalos  
John Felts  
John Voelz
  
2. Current HDC Membership

Respectfully submitted,

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Christa Freemantle, CMC  
City Clerk



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# Folsom Commission and Committee APPLICATION

FOLSOM CITY CLERK'S DEPT  
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Thank you for your interest in serving on a Folsom commission or committee

**Before You Begin:**

- Please read this form and instructions carefully.
- Complete all pages and sign the application.
- Applications remain active for six months after submittal.

**Return completed applications to:**

City Clerk's Department, Folsom City Hall, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630

**Applicant Information:** (All information is required)

Name: Mark Dascalos

Residence Address: [REDACTED] Folsom, CA 95630

Email: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Employer and Occupation: OWNER CONSULT CO. 718 Sutter St.

Currently Serving on a Commission/Committee? If yes, please specify: Folsom Historic district association. FHDA

**Folsom Residency / Registered Voter Verification:** Commission and Committee members must be residents and registered voters of Folsom.

Registered to vote? Indicate  Yes / No  No **Select One**

**Financial Disclosure / Ethics Training:**

I understand that commission and committee members must file statements disclosing financial information.

Indicate Yes / No:

Select One

I understand that commission and committee members must complete ethics and harassment training.

Indicate Yes / No:

Select One

**Truth and Accuracy:** I certify that the information contained on this form is true and accurate:

Signature: Mark D

Date: 2-18-2021

**Important Public Records Information:** The city may receive requests from the public to review documents such as this form and the city is obligated to release these public records, including all information contained on the form.

FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Mark Dascallos

**Choice of Commission or Committee:**

(If you are interested in multiple commissions, please rank them numerically according to your preference)

- 2 Arts and Cultural Commission
- 1 Historic District Commission\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Landscaping and Lighting District Advisory Committee\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Library Commission
- 3 Parks and Recreation Commission
- \_\_\_\_\_ Planning Commission
- \_\_\_\_\_ Traffic Safety Committee\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Utility Commission

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Application Supplement Required:**

Supplemental information is required for the Historic District Commission, Landscape and Lighting District Advisory Committee, and the Traffic Safety Committee. These boards have special qualification requirements for certain seats.

**Historic District Commission:**

Please identify which seat you qualify for:

- representative who is actively involved with historic preservation;
- representative who is a resident of the Historic District
- representative who owns a business within the Sutter Street Subarea
- Planning Commissioners
- representative from a Historic District business outside the Sutter Street Subarea
- architect, landscape architect, or other design professional with expertise in historic preservation

**Landscaping and Lighting District Advisory Committee:**

Please advise which L&L District you live in:

District of residence : \_\_\_\_\_

**Traffic Safety Committee:**

Please identify which seat you qualify for:

- representatives representing a wide cross section of interests
- representative who has demonstrated an interest in or a concern for pedestrian and bicycle safety

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FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Mark Dascalos

**Informational Questions:** (you must answer all four questions, for all commissions or committees you are applying for):

1. Why do you want to serve on this commission or committee:

I own a business on Sutter St. Since 2016, I have been involved in the district since day one. My seat on the PHDA Board was important because I care about the Historic District & its future. I feel I could help with this commission because I'm very detailed & passionate that we make the right decisions for all who live & work in this very special piece of historic land.

2. What do you think is(are) the top issue(s) facing this commission or committee:

Making sure we protect the great qualities that already exist. When new projects are presented they need careful thought and direction to comply with this district's standards. I feel we need a healthy balance between the Board Residents & the business owner so we can all enjoy this district equally.

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FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Mark Dascellos

3. Briefly describe how your experiences qualify you to serve on the commission or committee:

My father was an Architect & served on the Santa Rosa Planning Commission back in the 70's & 80's. I grew up listening to discuss ideas for the city & how much thought goes into every project before approval. I've been a business owner for most of my adult life & believe in helping others around me to succeed to create the best community possible.

4. Which commission or committee meetings have you attended?

~~I was part of a meeting~~  
I was part of a meeting when I applied for my ABC 47 approval. I also attended a few meetings prior to this, I feel I would be a good fit.

Sorry for the DR's handwriting

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**Applicant Information:** (All information is required)

Name: John Felts

Residence Address: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Employer and Occupation: E55 Technologies, Inc (Owner) Tech Consulting

Currently Serving on a Commission/Committee? If yes, please specify: No

**Folsom Residency / Registered Voter Verification:** Commission and Committee members must be residents and registered voters of Folsom.

Registered to vote? Indicate Yes / No Yes

**Financial Disclosure / Ethics Training:**

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I understand that commission and committee members must complete ethics and harassment training. Indicate Yes / No: Yes

**Truth and Accuracy:** I certify that the information contained on this form is true and accurate:

Signature: [Signature] Date: 12/15/2020

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FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: John Felts

**Choice of Commission or Committee:**

(If you are interested in multiple commissions, please rank them numerically according to your preference)

- Arts and Cultural Commission
- Historic District Commission\*
- Landscaping and Lighting District Advisory Committee\*
- Library Commission
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FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: John Felts

**Informational Questions:** (you must answer all four questions, for all commissions or committees you are applying for):

1. Why do you want to serve on this commission or committee:

I am a resident of the historic district and own a business with the address of 509 Figueroa St. I care about what happens in my neighborhood and want to make sure it is an area where people can thrive at their business. I know most of the other business owners in the district and want to make sure that the district remains a viable place to operate.

2. What do you think is(are) the top issue(s) facing this commission or committee:

Currently I think keeping storefronts full with operating businesses is important. I also feel that keeping the "hometown" feel of the Historic District is crucial to the success of all of the businesses. I feel that maintaining the momentum that has been created in the district over the past 2-3 years is absolutely necessary to maintain the value that has been built here.

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FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: John Felts

3. Briefly describe how your experiences qualify you to serve on the commission or committee:

I've been a business owner for over 15 years the last 14 of which I have lived in the district. I have been a member of the FHDA for 2 years and I am familiar with all of the business and many of the residents in the district.

4. Which commission or committee meetings have you attended?

I have been to several FHDA Meetings with my wife Amber who also owns a local photography business. I have attended and participated in several community organizations as well including HFRA.

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### Applicant Information: (All information is required)

Name:

John Voelz

Residence Address:

[Redacted]

Email:

[Redacted]

Phone:

[Redacted]

Employer and Occupation:

Owner: Reset

Currently Serving on a Commission/Committee? If yes, please specify:

No

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Yes



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Signature:

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Date:

January 8, 2021

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**FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION**

Applicant Name: John Voelz

**Choice of Commission or Committee:**

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- Arts and Cultural Commission
- 1  Historic District Commission\*
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## FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Applicant Name: **John Voelz**

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**Informational Questions:** (you must answer all four questions, for all commissions or committees you are applying for):

**1. Why do you want to serve on this commission or committee:**

First, our business is here in the District. The major reason we have our business located in the Historic District is because of the the story it tells and the vibe that is created there. Reset's commitment to a quasi-Victorian artistic space would not have translated the same in any other area of the city.

Second, our family is connected to the District. My wife and I have lived nearly half of our married years in the Folsom area. We've owned three homes here. The Historic District has always played a huge part in our Folsom life. When we dated as teenagers, we would come to the District. I used to play music in the median on Sutter Street when I was in my 20s and 30s--often times right out in front of the building that I currently own a business in. Our children's memories are full of Historic District restaurants and outings. We always dreamed of living in the District and purchased a home here 5+ years ago. Protecting what I've known for the last 30+ years is important to me.

Third, I believe I have something to offer as an innovator. I have a penchant for problem solving and generating ideas. I don't want to just occupy space in the Historic District, I want to give back to her and have her be the best possible version of herself.

**2. What do you think is(are) the top issue(s) facing this commission or committee:**

The historic and cultural character of the City's Historic District are challenged aesthetically, functionally, and in regard to its personality and vibe. This is true of any Historic District that lives and seeks to thrive through change and progress. In order to thrive and not be caught off-guard by changes, a Historic District must have a futurist mindset--to get ahead of changes and lead through them.

We need to better tell the beautiful story of the District and attract more people to her.

Parking continues to be an issue for the District for business owners and homeowners alike--especially homeowners just removed from Sutter Street off of Figueroa.

COVID has obviously presented problems for all of us. The City and the District have been very lenient and flexible to help businesses succeed. Moving forward, the District needs to be proactive in revisiting conditional use permits, signage, and consistent design.

Educating or re-educating merchants on life in the district--the do's and don'ts and rules of the road. Some merchants may not know what's expected and some disregard those expectations.

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**FOLSOM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATION**

**Applicant Name:** John Voelz

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**3. Briefly describe how your experiences qualify you to serve on the commission or committee:**

**I am both a Historic District homeowner and business owner and believe I can intelligently add to the conversation because I am steeped in the life of the District ever single day.**

**Over the years, I've volunteered for events, played concerts in the ampitheatre, played music in restaurants. The District is in my blood.**

**I have a 30-year history as a pastor in local churches where I've lead teams through solving issues, managing and promoting good interpersonal communication, and spearheading the future innovations of organizations while preserving the things that are sacred.**

**4. Which commission or committee meetings have you attended?**

**I'm a regular participant in Historic District merchant meetings. I've also attended special meetings with issues regarding parking and development. Recently, I started attending Folsom Historic District Association Board meetings.**

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# Historic District Commission Membership

Effective 02/11/2021

Commissioner	Term Ending	Representing
Kathleen Cole - Vice Chair	12/21	Historic District Resident
Daron Bracht - Chair	12/21	Historic Preservation
Kevin Duewel	12/22	Planning Commission Representative
Daniel West	12/22	Planning Commission Representative
Mickey Ankhelyi	12/22	Architect
pending	12/22	Business Rep Outside Sutter Street Subarea
pending	12/21	Business Owner Within Sutter Street Subarea