



CITY OF MILPITAS PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION

City Clerk's Office

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Thank you for your interest in serving on the City of Milpitas Planning Commission. The Planning Commission advises the City Council on matters related to land use, development, and planning permit decisions. Milpitas Municipal Code requires a Planning Commissioner to be a resident of the City of Milpitas and a registered voter. Planning Commissioners typically serve three-year terms and may serve up to three consecutive terms.

This Application is intended to provide basic information about your background and experience in relation to the work of the Planning Commission. City staff and members of the City Council will review this information and make recommendations to the Mayor for possible appointment to the Planning Commission. In addition to this Application form, applicants are required to complete the attached Supplemental Questionnaire.

PLEASE PROVIDE COMPLETE INFORMATION (in black ink)

☐ Mr. ☒ Mrs./Ms.

Milpitas Resident? YES

Registered voter? YES

Personal Information:

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First Middle Last

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E-mail Address

Occupation Broker / Consultant American Gateway Real Estate F.S. Inc.
C-21 Real Estate Alliance Present Employer

Business Address 929 Canada Drive Milpitas CA 95035 510-468-2347
Business Phone

Education:

College, Professional, Vocational, or other schools attended	Major Subject	Certificate or Degree?
<u>St. Paul's College, B.A. Degree</u>	<u>BUS. ADM / MGMT.</u>	<u>BA Degree</u>
<u>Real Estate Finance & Dev.</u>	<u>BUS. ETHICS</u>	<u>Licensed</u>

Experience:

Briefly describe any personal experience or work in the community that you believe would be an asset to your service on the Planning Commission (additional information may be attached):

Real Estate Profession, residential & Commercial Broker over 28 yrs.
Commissioner: PS/EPC for past 8 years & volunteer
Consultant, volunteer for past 25 years - Non Profit Organizations
Resident of Milpitas since 1989; Love My City & Milpitas.

I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true and that I am a registered voter and a resident of the City of Milpitas. If appointed, I have enough time to devote to this responsibility and will attend the required meetings.

Mercedes Albana
Signature

02/21/2020
Date

Note: All Commission Applications are Public Record. Applications will be kept on file by the City Clerk for one year.

Please Mail or drop off your completed application and supplemental questionnaire to:

City Clerk, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas, CA 95035

Phone: (408) 586-3001 - Fax: (408) 586-3030 - E-mail (mlavelle@ci.milpitas.ca.gov)



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PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

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(Please type or print responses below or use a separate sheet of paper).

1. Why are you interested in serving on the Planning Commission?

As a resident of Milpitas for 33 years and being in the Real Estate profession for over 20 years serving this community, I'd like to somehow contribute into implementing proper zoning and development of land use.

2. What do you think are important skills or attributes for a Planning Commissioner, and why?

Focusing on preparation and planning, maintaining good ethics and relationships with Team members, learning to listen, to connect and support in unity the vision and goals of the City and its citizens. Maintaining respect and integrity (in our private life as well as in our public life).

3. How will your personal or work experience contribute to your role as a Planning Commissioner?

By maintaining a better-than-good work ethics, healthy relationship with Team members
Using some organization and administrative skills that can add value to the Team
(City Staff, City Council, and other Planning Commissioners)
Having passion and a heart to serve Milpitas and its citizens

4. From your viewpoint, what are the most pressing land use or development issues in Milpitas?

Housing, education, parking, environmental issues
Balancing the use of having more attractions for Milpitas residents, restaurants and commercial development (for City income)

5. How would you typically prepare for a Planning Commission meeting?

By doing a lot of reading, studying and reviewing materials presented by the City Staff, Attorney, Commissioners, issues that impact the City, present and in the future
Seek deeper understanding and knowledge from City Attorney /Coach about zoning /development values

6. What do you see as the different roles of City staff, the Planning Commission, and City Council?

Our roles may be different but we should strive to transcend our differences and fulfill being unified as 'one body,' like a living organism that has a shared life, with a thousand cells but one shared life for Milpitas. Different key roles, not one greater than the other, working together toward one great function.