

CITY COUNCIL  
Princess Washington, Mayor Pro Tem  
Alma Hernandez, Mayor  
Michael J Hudson, Member  
Jenalee Dawson, Member



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**A G E N D A**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUISUN CITY COUNCIL,**  
**SUISUN CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SUISUN CITY,**  
**AND HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023**  
**6:30 PM**

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**Suisun City Council Chambers - 701 Civic Center Boulevard - Suisun City, California**

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**NOTICE**

*The following Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority meeting may include teleconference participation by: Council/Board Members Michael Hudson, Jenalee Dawson, Mayor Pro Tem Princess Washington, and Mayor Alma Hernandez, in accordance with subdivisions (b), (e), or (f) of Section 54953 of the Government Code, as applicable.*

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**WEBSITE:** <https://zoom.us/join>

**MEETING ID:** **830 7655 2326**

**CALL IN PHONE NUMBER:** (707) 438-1720

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(Next Ord. No. – 799)

(Next City Council Res. No. 2023 – 10)

Next Suisun City Council Acting as Successor Agency Res. No. SA2023 - 01)

(Next Housing Authority Res. No. HA2023 – 01)

**ROLL CALL**

Council /Board Members  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTIFICATION**

*(Any items on this agenda that might be a conflict of interest to any Councilmembers / Boardmembers should be identified at this time.)*

**REPORTS (Informational items only.)**

- 1 City Manager Update – (Folsom: gfolson@suisun.com).

**PRESENTATION/APPOINTMENTS**

*(Presentations, Awards, Proclamations, Appointments).*

- 2 Introduction and Swearing In of Suisun City Fire Department Personnel – (Lopez: bllopez@suisun.com).

*Recess to Short Break for Celebration of Fire Department Personnel.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*(Request by citizens to discuss any matter under our jurisdiction other than an item posted on this agenda per California Government Code §54954.3. Comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes unless allowable by the Mayor/Chair. Speaker cards are available on the table near the entry of the meeting room and should be given to the City Clerk. By law, no prolonged discussion or action may be taken on any item raised during the public comment period, although informational answers to questions may be given and matters may be referred for placement on a future agenda.)*

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

- 3 Council/Board Members Updates

**CONSENT CALENDAR NONE**

*Consent calendar items requiring little or no discussion may be acted upon with one motion.*

**PUBLIC HEARING NONE**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

City Council

- 4 Appointing \_\_\_\_\_ to the Vacant Councilmember Seat for the Remainder of the Current Term – (Folsom: gfolson@suisun.com).

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

- 5 Administer Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Council Member. *Remarks by Newly Appointed Council Member.*

**ROLL CALL OF NEWLY SEATED COUNCIL/BOARD MEMBERS**

**REPORTS: (Informational items only)**

6 Non-Discussion Items

**ADJOURNMENT** to Celebration for New Council Member.

### **Public Access To Agenda Documents**

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The City Council/Agency/Authority hopes to conclude its public business by 10:00 p.m. No new items will be taken up after 10:00 p.m., unless so moved by a majority of the City Council, and any items remaining will be agendaized for the next meeting. The agendas have been prepared with the hope that all items scheduled will be discussed within the time allowed.

### **Accommodations**

If you require an accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk at (707) 421-7302 or [clerk@suisun.com](mailto:clerk@suisun.com). The City's reasonable accommodation policy is available for review on the City's website at [www.suisun.com/government/city-council/](http://www.suisun.com/government/city-council/), you may request an electronic copy or have a copy mailed to you. Please note that for accommodations that are not readily available, you must make your request as soon as you can prior to the time of the meeting.

### **Decorum**

All participants are expected to conduct themselves with mutual respect. Conduct that disrupts meetings will be addressed in accordance with Section 54957.95 of the Government Code.

### **Ordinances**

Ordinances are city laws contained in the Suisun City Municipal Code. Enacting a new city law or changing an existing one is a two-step process. Government Code 36934 provides, except when, after reading the title, further reading is waived by regular motion adopted by majority vote all ordinances shall be read in full either at the time of introduction or passage; provided, however, that a reading of the title or ordinance shall not be required if the title is included on the published agenda and a copy of the full ordinance is made available to the public online and in print at the meeting prior to the introduction or passage.

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- Suisun City Fire Station, 621 Pintail Drive, Suisun City, CA;
- Suisun City Senior Center, 318 Merganser Drive, Suisun City, CA;
- Joe Nelson Center, 611 Village Drive, Suisun City, CA;
- Harbor Master Office, 800 Kellogg Street, Suisun City, CA.

I, Donna Pock, Deputy City Clerk for the City of Suisun City, declare under penalty of perjury that the above agenda was posted and available for review, in compliance with the Brown Act.

## AGENDA TRANSMITTAL

**MEETING DATE:** January 24, 2023

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**CITY AGENDA ITEM:** Appointing \_\_\_\_\_ to the Vacant Councilmember Seat for the Remainder of the Current Term.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

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**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Provide Good Governance.

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**BACKGROUND:** After the November 8, 2022, election, a current council member was elected to the office of the mayor. As such, that council member vacated their seat when sworn in as the new mayor. The result is that there is a vacancy on the City Council, which must be filled. The vacated office will terminate at the end of 2024.

Suisun Municipal Code Section 2.04.040 and Government Code Section 36512 govern the process by which vacancies in the elected offices of city council members are filled. Specifically, Section 36512 provides that a city council shall, within 60 days of the date of vacancy (i.e., no later than February 3, 2023), fill such vacancy by appointment, or call a special election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the vacated term. Section 36512 does not provide any specific guidance on the manner in which the City Council selects an individual to fill a vacancy. Council has provided direction for an application process to fill the vacancy.

At the Council meeting on December 6, 2022, the Council directed the City Attorney's office to return at the December 20, 2022 meeting with the appropriate documentation to adopt an application and interview process. At the January 17th meeting, the City Council interviewed 11 applicants for the vacancy, and selected the following 6 applicants to move on to the January 24th meeting:

1. Anthony Adams
2. Herbert I. Dardon
3. Katrina Garcia
4. Steven M. Orly
5. Amit Pal
6. Jonathan R. Richardson

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**STAFF REPORT:** On January 24, 2023, the City Council will deliberate on the six finalists and choose one candidate to fill the seat. The item may be continued further, but the City Council must take action no later than February 3, 2023, which is the date 60 days following the date the council seat was vacated (December 6, 2022). If the City Council does not appoint to the vacant seat by February 3rd, it will call a special election.

The following is the process that Council approved for the final interview process:

Procedure to conduct interviews and appoint a Councilmember

- Any applicant who is not physically present for the interview shall be disqualified unless the City

Council finds their absence excusable with just cause. Candidates who are excused must participate by Zoom, and have their camera on for the entirety of their interview.

- The interviews will be the reverse order interviewed on January 17th as follows:

1. Herbert I. Dardon
2. Jonathan R. Richardson
3. Katrina Garcia
4. Anthony Adams
5. Steven Olry
6. Amit Pal

- Applicants will have up to 2 minutes to answer each of 4 questions from the City Council, one question from each Councilmember. Different questions may be asked of all applicants.
- Public Comment will open after all applicants have been interviewed and shall be limited to 2 minutes per speaker.
- Applicants will not be allowed to participate in Public Comment on this item.
- The City Council will deliberate following all interviews and Public Comment.
- The City Council has the option to do a preliminary vote to narrow down the pool of candidates further before deliberation.
- Following deliberation, City Council will select one candidate to fill the seat; alternatively, the proceedings may be continued. Once a candidate is selected, they will be sworn in immediately.
- The appointed councilmember will hold office for the unexpired balance of the vacated seat's term, as the vacancy occurred in the second half of the former incumbent's term, which runs through the end of 2024.
- The City Clerk will swear in the appointed Councilmember.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the City Council interview City Council applicants and appoint one candidate to fill the vacant seat on the City Council.

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**DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:**

1. Applications for City Council
2. Resolution No. 2023-\_\_\_: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Suisun City, Appointing \_\_\_\_\_ to the Vacant Councilmember Seat for the Remainder of the Current Term.

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<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Greg Folsom, City Manager
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	Greg Folsom, City Manager
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	Greg Folsom, City Manager

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1 [Applications for City Council.pdf](#)
- 2 [Resolution of the City Council of the City of Suisun City Adopting \\_\\_\\_\\_\\_ - to the Vacant Councilmember Seat for the Remainder of the Current Term.pdf](#)



# CITY OF SUISUN CITY

## CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023

CITY OF SUISUN CITY

Item 4  
Attachment 1  
Dardon, Herbert  
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### REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

Please type or print clearly.

Name: Herbert I. Dardon Date: January 09, 2023

Are you a registered voter? Yes  No  City Clerk will verify voter registration.

Are you a resident of Suisun City? Yes  No

How long have you lived in Suisun City? 35 years

**NOTE:** This application is a public record and will be included with the applicable City Council materials, posted on the City's website, and made available to the press and public. Personal data will be redacted.

This application is to fill a vacancy on the Council in the City of Suisun City. Only voters registered in Suisun City who have submitted a complete application packet by the deadline will be considered for appointment.

When submitting please include:  Application  Statement of Qualifications  Questionnaire

**A COMPLETED AND SIGNED APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK BY:**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 at 5:00 PM**

### BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**Private Versus Public:** Becoming a candidate for public office means that information about you will become a matter of public record immediately. With a few exceptions, this includes any and all documents submitted to the City during the course of the application period. As such, these documents must, by law, be available to the public for inspection and/or copying. Redacted copies of submitted applications will be available on the City website.

**Interview Process:** Interviews will take place in a "Town Hall" format and are scheduled for a Special Council meeting to be held on January 17, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. Applicant attendance is required.

**Term of Office:** The term of this office will be from the day of appointment and will expire in December 2024.

#### **City Council:**

Suisun City operates under the Council/Manager form of governance in which the electorate chooses members of the City Council and the City Council hires the City Manager to implement City Council policy and run day-to-day affairs.

The Mayor and City Council are elected independently in non-partisan elections to serve four-year terms in office. The Mayor Pro-Tem is appointed by the Mayor from among its members. Suisun City has no term limits.

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## CITY OF SUISUN CITY

### CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023

#### **Duties:**

- Attend all City Council meetings as an appointed member.
- Attend all special meetings, work sessions and other meetings as scheduled.
- Actively participate and serve on various outside agency liaisons, committees and commissions as assigned.
- Council Members are required, by law, to complete and file a Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests disclosing various financial interests.

**Meetings:** The City Council holds regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the City Council Chamber in City Hall at 701 Civic Center Blvd, Suisun City, California. If necessary to conduct City business, a regular meeting may be scheduled for any Tuesday.

More information can be found on the Suisun City website:

<https://www.suisun.com/government/city-council/>

*Civic service is both a privilege and responsibility of every American citizen. The value and importance of engagement by Suisun City residents cannot be measured. Your interest in serving on the City Council of the City of Suisun City is greatly appreciated.*



**CITY OF SUISUN CITY**  
**CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023**

**APPLICATION**

Please type or print clearly.

PERSONAL DATA			
Name: Herbert I. Dardon			
Address: [REDACTED]	City: Suisun City	State: CA	Zip: 94585
Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

EMPLOYMENT DATA		
Employer: Verizon Wireless		
City: Rocklin	Industry: Telecommunications	Dates: 10/2000 - Present
Employer: Bank Of America		
City: Walnut Creek	Industry: Banking/Network	Dates: 10/1979 - 10/2000

EDUCATION DATA			
College/Universities Attended (Name/Location)	Major	Degree	Year Completed
San Francisco State University	Sociology	N/A	1982
Los Medanos College, Pittsburg, Ca	Computer Science	N/A	2002
Solano Community College, Fairfield, Ca	General Ed	N/A	2000
Licenses or Special Certificates Held:			

CIVIC EXPERIENCE		
Prior or Current Civic Experience (Include Membership in Professional, charitable, or community organizations)	Office Held (if any)	Dates of Service/Membership
Suisun City Emergency Response Team	Member	February 2012
I Am Church Men's Ministry	Associate Pastor	June 2000 - Present
Norcal Christian Men's Group	President	August 2007 - June 2010
Neighbor Hood watch Block Captain	Captain	Present

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# CITY OF SUISUN CITY

## CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023

### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Attach a separate sheet of paper to this statement with your responses.

**Instructions to the Applicant:**

- This statement may include your name, age, occupation, and a brief description of your education and qualifications
- Prepare statement according to the following guidelines:
  - Statements are limited to no more than 200 words (See attached Word Count Guidelines)
  - Statements must be in PARAGRAPH BLOCK FORM.
  - Statements must be in UPPER and LOWER CASE.
  - You are limited to a recitation of your own personal background and qualifications and shall not in any way make reference to another person's qualifications, character, or activities.
- Statements which do not conform to the above guidelines may be rejected by the City Clerk.
- Check carefully for errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar before filing.
- After the statement has been filed, it will be distributed exactly as submitted.

My Name is: Herbert I. Dardon

My Age is (optional): 62

My Occupation is: Systems Engineer - Verizon Wireless

Statement and word count begin below:

My name is Herbert I. Dardon. I am 62 years old. Work for Verizon Wireless as a Systems Engineer. I was raised in San Francisco, Ca. where I developed a passion for helping people. As a "legal" immigrant from Guatemala, I have experienced challenges that can make or break a person. Have witnessed struggles and victories when raising a family.

Upon having Children, I wanted the best for them. I searched the Bay Area for a good and safe place to raise my two boys. Suisun City qualified as Good and Safe. I still believe in that.

I have taken Sociology classes as my interest has been to help my community at any capacity. I believe that in order to help someone, you first need to understand them and the need.

I became a Pastor in 2007 as my passion for people increased and my calling became stronger. I have participated in Prayer walks, organized conferences, directed men in their walk and participated in community events.

My work has trained me to be a leader with integrity. I have been trained to organize, develop and execute through proper planning. I believe in finding the need and fulfilling it correctly.

*I have reviewed the above statement, I understand no corrections or changes are allowed after it has been filed, and it will be printed as filed with the City Clerk. I hereby certify that the statement submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Applicant's Signature

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Date

January 09, 2023



## CITY OF SUISUN CITY

### CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023

#### QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

Attach a separate sheet of paper to this questionnaire with your responses.

1. What are your top 3 priorities for Suisun City? Why do you think these are most important?
2. What are the key issues you see facing our community? Why do you think these are the key issues and what might be the solutions?
3. What is your vision for Suisun City and how would you like the City to look in 10 years?
4. Please describe how your qualifications, education, and/or work experience/training would be relevant in your role as a Councilmember.
5. What has your previous involvement with the City of Suisun City been? Please include any service organizations or community engagement specific to Suisun City you have participated in and what your role was.
6. The City Council regularly meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. and periodically has additional special meetings and study sessions. Councilmembers also serve on a number of subcommittees, commissions, and outside agency boards. Please describe any time constraints or limitations/obligations that might limit your availability for regular meetings, special meetings, or community events.
7. Are you aware of the time commitment and the responsibilities associated with serving as a Councilmember and are you prepared to serve without reservation? **Yes** / No

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete. I legally reside in the City of Suisun City. I am 18 years of age or older. In compliance with State law, I understand that I will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interests upon appointment to office and annually thereafter. I understand that my application and materials will be considered a public record and thus will be available for public inspection and copying.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

January 09, 2023  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## **CITY OF SUISUN CITY**

CITY COUNCIL VACANCY 2023

### **QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

#### **1. What are your top 3 priorities for Suisun City?**

**Public Safety**

**Enhanced Communication and Participation**

**Environment**

#### **Why do you think these are most important?**

##### **Public Safety**

Ensure the protection of persons and property, Home, School and Place of Work.

Show the community that there is a commitment to potential dangers in the street. Develop a third-party complaint process for grievances related to homeless shelter services and subsidized housing, traffic, parks and shopping environments.

Recognize crime as a danger to public health, with an emphasis on prevention and remediation strategies: Crime prevention through environmental design. The right of all to enjoy public spaces, art, libraries, parks, and other non-commercial public spaces.

##### **Enhanced Communication and Participation**

Promote understanding of city government through education and public participation.

Ensure Sufficient funding and annual cost-to-continue increases for service providers.

Funded projects to have clear public benefits, and legally enforceable.

Strong support, adequate staffing, and funding for neighborhood planning, as well as stronger adherence to neighborhood plans and creation of neighborhood conservation districts.

## **Environment**

Enhance the community's quality of life through responsible development of land and stewardship of the natural environment.

Improved enforcement of the Suisun City General Ordinances.

Zoning codes and development of infrastructures that further sustainability, such as community gardens; edible landscapes; water catchments; urban agriculture; run-off capture and prevention.

Development and maintenance of pedestrian and bicycling paths and increase access to bicycling for people who do not own motor vehicles.

## **2. What are the key issues you see facing our community?**

**Public Safety is a key issue in the community.** There appears to be a lawless attitude being fostered amongst the younger citizens. There is no accountability and very little policing taking place. This is due to lack of law enforcement as the police force has not increased. The homeless population has increased and have become aggressive in their pan handling and are taking over parks and public walkways. Children do not feel safe in the parks.

**Lack of Businesses.** Small businesses have been leaving the city. There are no incentives to keep them in Suisun City. Businesses are folding due to lack of fundings or assistance from the city.

**Government in the city.** The council should represent the vast majority of its citizens. I would add that their characters should represent the communities. If everyone agrees on the same things there would be very little opportunity for challenges. The needs of each neighborhood should be addressed. Each person should have a voice in the council. I think it is time for residents and city government in Suisun City to deepen their relationship.

### **Why do you think these are the key issues and what might be the solutions?**

If the citizens don't feel safe in the city, they will meet their needs somewhere else. They will shop at another city; they will buy homes in another city; they will go to parks at another city; they will contact contractors, businesses from another city. They will look for all of their entertainment where it is safe.

If Small business owners don't feel safe in the city, they will not promote their businesses. If the small business owner encounters hard times and the city cannot offer financial tools for them such as grants or loans, the small business will have no incentive to stay.

Government in the city should be more open to hearing from the residents. If the resident does not come to the Council meeting, take the council meeting to the residents. Inform the residents and attend public events.

### **3. What is your vision for Suisun City and how would you like the city to look in 10 years?**

I believe the City Council should do the right thing for Suisun City families, do the right thing for a healthy community, and do the right thing for our common home.

I want to prioritize Suisun City working families in City decision-making, and I want to bring more compassion, collaboration, and community engagement to city government. That is why I am running to be your representative on the City Council.

I think the City Council should focus on issues that affect the quality of life for working families in Suisun City. Families are the foundation for Suisun City, and quality of life means thriving communities.

As Housing developments proceed, new housing will mean traffic impacts on existing roadways. Project decisions should therefore place a high priority on the needs of current working families.

My commitment is to listen to you respectfully and completely, and without telling you what to think or say. Transparency, honesty, respectful dialogue and active listening: these are the foundations to making city policy that works for you.

I think it is time for residents and city government in Suisun City to deepen their relationship: this means an exchange of meaningful commitments to each other. Residents should work to be as engaged with city government as they can; the City Council should commit to appointing more resident oversight commissions.

Residents can shape Suisun City by getting involved. And the needs and preferences of residents should be clearly reflected in City Council deliberations and decision making.

I believe that within 10 years, the community will flourish as they feel safe and look forward to patronizing the small businesses. They would be aware that Suisun City has programs to help the small businesses minded person. In Fact, the city should attract at least one big business to provide additional jobs.

This can only be done if the city officials make themselves visible and available to educate the residents.

Council meetings have been a great source. It's time to reach out to all neighborhoods.

### **4. Please describe how your qualifications, education, and/or work experience/training would be relevant in your role as a Councilmember.**

I consider myself to be of fair and reasonable character. I came to the United States as an immigrant. I learned the ways of a new culture. Attended public schooling and Private schooling through the catholic school system. I grew up with many different cultures and learned to appreciate their ways. I learned to speak another language without losing my identity.

I attended San Francisco State University where I was exposed to additional cultures and was able to study them through Ethnic Studies and Black Studies opportunities. The opportunity to take psychology and sociology classes cemented my desire to support the growth of others.

My job opportunity opened up in the banking industry where I learned process and procedure. I better understood the process and the cycles used when retail stores closed and small owners depended on the bank's bookkeeping to maintain their payrolls and conform with legal requirements. Furthering my career in the networking aspect allowed me to serve the country by maintaining the integrity of the business components which relied on computers, networks and specialize people in specific roles to make the process work. I was a grunt worker promoted to team leader, promoted to manager.

During my experiences, I attended classes which guided me through the job requirements and helped to understand the purpose of the job and how it impacted the community. I learned and wrote procedures to support productivity in each position that I have held. I understand the importance of understanding and documenting every process. Everything is interdependent on the next to make it work successfully.

I have been a Pastor sixteen years. During this time, I've had the opportunity to assist families towards a better outlook towards life. I have dedicated most of my time to help educate men in their roles in the family and to look at the bigger picture. Our families are used to thinking that their life consists of going to school, work, and hope for the best. My philosophy has been to educate them on their purpose in life, show them how much others care and need them, remind them of principles and standards and help them see through their spiritual eyes. Not everything is black and white when living. There is always room for growth through faith and knowledge.

**5. What has your previous involvement with the City of Suisun City been? Please include any service organizations or community engagement specific to Suisun City you have participated in and what your role was.**

I have been a resident of Suisun City since 1989. I brought my Kids here From San Francisco for a better opportunity. Our first involvement was enrolling my kids in Suisun City Little League. I wanted to get more involved so I participated as a coach for at least 4 years. I saw a need and met it by participating.

My wife and I became involved with the SERT team (CERT) because we wanted to ensure the safety of our community. We were involved in multiple search and rescue activities. Mostly searched as the people we were looking for were normally found with hours.

I have participated in Prayers walks where we prayed for the city leadership as well as the specific neighborhoods. I've been involved in Officiating weddings, funerals and Baby dedications as well as water baptism to encourage the residents.

Help united churches by participating with NORCAL Christian Men's Group. We united Men's Ministries throughout Solano County in effort to unite and encourage men so that they may be strong in the home while learning principles to live by.

My Wife and I have been Block Captains for the Neighborhood Watch for multiple years. Our neighbors have felt safe knowing that there is a voice in the community. We have been Block captains in three different neighborhoods. We have brought awareness regarding community safety and facilitated their acknowledgement of the City Council Members including the Mayor, Police Chief and Fire Chief.

I have noticed that most people do not like to get involved but will support someone who will represent their voices.

**6. The City Council regularly meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. and periodically has additional special meetings and study sessions. Councilmembers also serve on a number of subcommittees, commissions, and outside agency boards. Please describe any time constraints or limitations/obligations that might limit your availability for regular meetings, special meetings, or community events.**

I do not have time constraints to serve on the City Council. I am aware of time commitments. I am also aware that the council member is expected to participate in subcommittees, commissions, and outside agency boards. I acknowledge the commitment of a City Council.

**7. Are you aware of the time commitment and the responsibilities associated with serving as a Councilmember and are you prepared to serve without reservation? Yes / No**

I am aware of the time commitment and responsibilities associated with serving as a Council Member



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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL VACANCY
Please type or print clearly.

Name: Jonathan R. Richardson Date: 1/10/2023
Are you a registered voter? Yes [X] No [ ] City Clerk will verify voter registration.
Are you a resident of Suisun City? Yes [X] No [ ]
How long have you lived in Suisun City? 8 YRS
NOTE: This application is a public record and will be included with the applicable City Council materials, posted on the City's website, and made available to the press and public. Personal data will be redacted.

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### APPLICATION

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PERSONAL DATA			
Name: Jonathan R. Richardson			
Address: [REDACTED]	City: Suisun City	State: CA	Zip: 94585
Home Phone: N/A	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

EMPLOYMENT DATA		
Employer: State of California		
City: Fairfield, CA	Industry: Law Enforcement	Dates: 12/5/2007 - Present
Employer:		
City: N/A	Industry: N/A	Dates: N/A

EDUCATION DATA			
College/Universities Attended (Name/Location)	Major	Degree	Year Completed
University of Phoenix	Communication	Associate of Arts	2010
University of Phoenix	Communication	Bachelor of Science	2011
Licenses or Special Certificates Held:			

CIVIC EXPERIENCE		
Prior or Current Civic Experience (Include Membership in Professional, charitable, or community organizations)	Office Held (if any)	Dates of Service/Membership
Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District (FSUSD)	Board Member	2014-2022
Suisun City Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs (ATOD)	Volunteer	
Suisun City Hop for Hope (VnA's)		
FSUSD and Suisun City Joint Committee		

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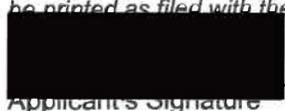
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My Name is: Jonathan Richardson  
 My Age is (optional): 41  
 My Occupation is: State of California Peace Officer / Business Owner / Entrepreneur

Statement and word count begin below:

Effective governance is key to the success of any council. The obligation to listen and respond within reason with the perspective of the best interest of the city is foundationally important. As a communication major, it will be important to listen, hear and communicate effectively with our city. With approximately 30,000 residents, and our 4 mi(2) geographic area, we have a unique opportunity to make Suisun a phenomenal destination for businesses, travelers from abroad and a beautifully place we call home. As a noncommissioned officer and veteran of the United States Air Force, I will bring task critical perspectives and effective leadership principles to add to the diverse makeup of our new council. With the experience of overseeing a budget of approximately 300,000,000.00 annually, I will bring accountability, sound stewardship and creativity as we seek to blossom as a city within our geographical boundaries. As a member of the law enforcement community, the safety of our residents as well as the security of our businesses will always remain priority one. My experience in community policing in addition to extensive training in implicit bias helps me to listen and respond regarding matters that are important to us all.

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## 1. Top 3 Priorities

### **Economic stability**

Suisun has its geographical limitations that require creativity and strategy to overcome. Considering that the city is landlocked from the opportunity for organic expansion, the city council in collaboration with the community must be committed and dedicated to the process of re-imagining Suisun City. Our region has many examples of smaller thriving cities that attract visitors and that have experienced economic increases. I believe this reality remains true for our city and I am committed to doing work with the existing council to make dreams our reality.

### **Public Safety**

We must continue to fund and support our public safety entities. Our police and fire departments are essential to our city infrastructure. Historically, the Suisun Fire Department carried a volunteer component. It is important that the city has a fully funded and staffed public safety agencies to protect and serve our citizens.

### **Infrastructure Investments**

Deferred maintenance reveals itself over time. It is important to make priorities to improve streets and areas of our city that lack the maintenance that our city deserves. Our public works department has done as much as possible with the resources provided. We must plan and act on improving the curb appearance of our city in the most fiscally responsible way possible.

## 2. Key Issues

### **Measure S – Sale Tax**

We must gain support to continue the existing Measure S Sales Tax in addition to recommended increases to ensure that we avoid losing our city.

### **Funding Police / Fire**

We must maintain a staff and equipped public safety force in our community. With the increases to crime across the county and our immediate annual threat to wildfires, it is important that we are prepared and ready to face any forms of adversity that threaten our city infrastructure and citizens.

## 3. 10 Year Vision

In the next 10 years, I believe that Suisun can be a vibrant and thriving city within our region. We have the ability to consider how we build and expand downtown in collaboration with businesses and companies to make our area and destination place for the Tri-City area and beyond.

## 4. Qualifications

As a former board member to the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District, I have learned many fundamental principles of effective governance. The professional relationship between

members of a governing body is the first of many steps of making a positive impact for the city. As a member of the school board, I received Masters in Governance certification after attending multiple cohort sessions in areas to include Brown Act, human resource, budget and governance team relationships. It is with his experience that I bring a wealth of knowledge and perspectives to local governance and local control. As a communication major, I have learned and implemented tools and techniques that help to establish effective communication with my colleagues in addition to the community partners/stakeholders who will be impacted by each decision made from the dais. Conflict resolution in addition to knowledge regarding branding/marketing are additional skill sets that can add to the building resume of experience each member of the existing council brings as abilities.

## **5. Involvement**

As a member of the education community, I served multiple years as a member of the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District and the City of Suisun Joint Committee to discuss various developments in the city and school district and ways that each respective entity could collaborate to benefit families in the city. I have volunteered to support city co-sponsored events like Hop for Hope, car shows and community celebration events honoring our veterans and various events supporting our community at our premier waterfront.

## **6. Meetings**

As an active member of the law enforcement community, I only need advance notification of meetings to make adequate adjustments to my schedule to be available for the various meeting and committees. It will remain my priority to support all things Suisun and be a visible representative of our city.

## **7. Commitment**

I am aware of the time commitments and responsibilities associated with serving the citizens of Suisun City on council. I am prepared to serve without reservation.

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Garcia, Katrina
JAN 10 2023
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Name: Katrina Garcia Date: 1/10/23
Are you a registered voter? Yes [X] No [ ] City Clerk will verify voter registration.
Are you a resident of Suisun City? Yes [X] No [ ]
How long have you lived in Suisun City? 4 yr.
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Address: [REDACTED]	City: <i>Suisun City</i>	State: <i>CA</i>	Zip: <i>94585</i>
Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

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Employer: <i>Self-Employed</i>		
City: <i>Suisun City</i>	Industry: <i>Consulting</i>	Dates: <i>2022 - Present</i>
Employer: <i>Independent Contractor</i>		
City: <i>Suisun City</i>	Industry: <i>Health &amp; Wellness</i>	Dates: <i>1996 - Pres 2022</i>

EDUCATION DATA			
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<i>Vista Community College, Berkeley</i>	<i>N/A</i>		
<i>Shiloh Bible College, Oakland</i>	<i>Theology</i>		
<i>Contra Costa Community College, San Pablo</i>	<i>Communications</i>		
<i>American Association of Christian Counselors</i>	<i>Counseling</i>		
Licenses or Special Certificates Held: <i>Certified Life Coach, R.E.A.C.T. trained by C.E.R.T., Certificate-California PAL PRO Act trained Innovations in Policing</i>			

CIVIC EXPERIENCE		
Prior or Current Civic Experience (Include Membership in Professional, charitable, or community organizations)	Office Held (if any)	Dates of Service/Membership
<i>Public Safety &amp; Emergency Management Committee</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>2022</i>
<i>Tools of Learning for Children</i>	<i>VP</i>	<i>2022</i>
<i>Suisun City Neighborhood Crime Watch</i>	<i>Coordinator</i>	<i>2019-2021, 2022</i>
<i>Adopt A Neighborhood</i>	<i>Development and Education</i>	<i>2021-2023</i>

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My Age is (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

My Occupation is: Homeschool Consultant Coordinator

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## **Statement of Qualifications:**

Katrina Garcia  
Homeschool Consultant Coordinator

Suisun has become so much more than just our forever home; it's where I explore, engage and give back. As an Air Force Veteran's daughter who was born in the Philippines but traveled all around the world, this community truly provides me with a unique experience of resourcefulness that continuously propels us forward together as one. From being one of Adopt-A-Neighborhood's founding members to serving on Suisun City Police Department and Public Safety/Emergency Management Committees – my loyalty lies here in furthering safety initiatives for beautifying neighborhoods through connection & collaboration.

As your City Council member, I will bring our values into action. My background in mental health and education help me understand the need for more activities for our youth as well as implementing them. As a small business owner and my background in marketing, I can find innovative ways to support small businesses and open spaces. Since living in Suisun City, I have seen the need for responsible use of public funds which has resonated deeply with me. My experiences within these capacities have all taught me invaluable lessons about being part of a team and given me insight into what it takes for meaningful progress through systemic change.

More details on [Katrina4suisun.com](http://Katrina4suisun.com)



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## Suisun City Questionnaire Katrina Garcia

1. As a city council member, I prioritize honor and integrity to office with a strong sense of family values. My top 3 priorities are maintaining and improving community health, ensuring long term economic viability by investing in infrastructure and encouraging economic opportunities, and strengthening internal and external communications. To ensure these 3 points, I plan to hear the needs of our citizens now rather than later. Additionally, I plan to ensure projects started under the previous city council are maintained- to completion. Lastly, when it comes to communications, I will work towards updating systems that department heads have asked for as well as involve our local residents so that we can create an exchange of ideas between our city council and the community it represents.

2. The city of Suisun is a unique area with an array of cultural diversity and an abundance of local businesses. However, due to safety concerns and lack of resources, many parents feel like they have to travel far for activities for their children or simply avoid the area altogether. In order to ensure that no one is left behind, we must invest in our infrastructure, budgets, resources and collaboration from local businesses and people of culturally diverse backgrounds. We must also innovate in order to mitigate any environmental concerns such as flooding or fires that might occur in the future. It is my goal to make Suisun City a safe, thriving, and sustainable city where people can come for the weekend and enjoy the local shops and waterfront.

### **Safety First**

The key factor in achieving our goal of making Suisun City a safe place to live is fortifying it against crime. This means investing in our police department so that there are enough officers on duty at all times to respond quickly to calls for help. Additionally, we should focus on community outreach programs such as neighborhood watch initiatives that can help promote safety awareness among citizens. We should also increase funding for initiatives such as after-school programs that provide supervised activities for children and teens so they aren't out on the streets alone late at night.

### **Thriving Economy**

In order to make Suisun City a thriving place to live, we need to invest in our local economy by creating jobs for residents and encouraging businesses to move into the area. This could be done through incentives such as tax breaks or grants for small business owners who want to open up shop in Suisun City. Additionally, we should focus on providing resources such as affordable housing options so that families can stay in town without having to move away due to rising costs of living. Finally, we should encourage collaboration between local businesses by providing networking opportunities so they can share ideas and resources with each other.

### **Sustainable Solutions**

Finally, we must focus on mitigating any environmental concerns such as flooding or fires that might occur in the future by investing in sustainable solutions. This could include things like

installing green infrastructure such as rain gardens or permeable pavement systems that can absorb stormwater runoff while also beautifying neighborhoods; planting native vegetation along creeksides which can reduce erosion. These solutions not only help protect the environment but also benefit everyone living in Suisun City by reducing utility costs over time while helping create more jobs within the city limits.

To make sure no one is left behind when it comes to enjoying all that Suisun City has to offer—from its vibrant culture and interesting shops along the waterfront—we must invest in our infrastructure, budgets, resources and collaborations from local businesses and people of culturally diverse backgrounds; fortify against crime; create jobs; encourage collaboration between local businesses; provide resources like affordable housing options; implement infrastructure solutions with minimal environmental impact. By following these steps, we will achieve our goal of making Suisun City a safe, thriving place where people can come together and enjoy its offerings while protecting its environment at the same time!

3. With a 10 year plan I envision Suisun City to be a safe, thriving, and sustainable city where people would come for the weekend and enjoy the local shops and waterfront. Parents should not have to travel far for activities for their children due to safety or lack of opportunities. We will invest in our infrastructure, budgets, resources, and collaboration from local businesses and people of culturally diverse backgrounds to make sure no one is left behind. We must innovate in order to mitigate any environmental concerns such as flooding and fires that might occur in the future. Together we can make Suisun City a beautiful small town fortified against crime and catastrophic disasters that protects our planet's precious resources for generations to come.

4. I have exemplified excellence in leadership, academics and athletics throughout my lifestyle. In 1996, I was the recipient of a Rotary Youth Leadership Award before studying entrepreneurship at UC Berkeley. After graduating high school, I traveled to Israel for an enriching experience abroad. I married shortly after settling down back home as a health and wellness direct sales consultant in the San Francisco Bay Area, CA.

For the past 25 years, I have been an advocate for opportunity and empowerment: beginning as a Youth Employment Opportunity Specialist in 1996 to my current role at Suisun City PD. Along the way I have worked retail, held positions with nonprofits dedicated to counseling and advocacy services; home educated students while earning a Biblical Counseling Certificate from American Association of Christian Counselors; developed programs locally within La Cheim School Inc.; facilitated student leader development through 180 Degrees Program processes; returned college improving skills 15+yrs later - even becoming top revenue earner in class! Finally settling into Community Engagement & Certified Life Coach roles currently.

5. As a devoted member of the community and loving mother, I am excited to be applying for a City Council position. Throughout my life, I have seen firsthand how local government can impact everyday people's lives. From bringing services and resources to individuals in need to working hard to foster economic growth. Since living in Suisun City, I have seen the need for responsible use of public funds which has resonated deeply with me. Long before this opportunity became available, I found myself striving to make our city better—from participating

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  - Church-wide clean up projects in various Suisun city zones
  - Washing, drying and folding evacuees Red Cross blankets
  - Volunteering and expanding PTSA in the Suisun-Fairfield School District

6. None at this time.

7. YES, I have gone on public record attributing how many hours city councilmembers spend to do their job. 20-42+ hours a week.



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Adams, Anthony
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Name: Anthony Adams Date: 12/25/2022
Are you a registered voter? Yes [X] No City Clerk will verify voter registration.
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Address: [REDACTED]	City: Suisun City	State: CA	Zip: 94585
Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

EMPLOYMENT DATA		
Employer: Sacramento Regional Transit District		
City: Sacramento	Industry: Government/Transportation	Dates: 1/3/2023 - current
Employer: Washington Metro Area Transit Authority		
City: Washington DC	Industry: Government/Transportation	Dates: 7/5/22 -12/31/2022

EDUCATION DATA			
College/Universities Attended (Name/Location)	Major	Degree	Year Completed
California Polytechnic University	City & Region Planning	Masters	2011
California Polytechnic University	Engineering	Masters	2011
San Fransisco State University	Urban Studies	Bachelors	2008
Licenses or Special Certificates Held:			

CIVIC EXPERIENCE		
Prior or Current Civic Experience (Include Membership in Professional, charitable, or community organizations)	Office Held (if any)	Dates of Service/Membership
Suisun Planning Commission	Chair	01/2021 - Current
Suisun City Coucil	N/A	01/2019 - 12/ 2020
Suisun Parks & Recreation Commission	Chair	01/2018 - 01/2019

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My Name is: Anthony Aams  
 My Age is (optional): 39  
 My Occupation is: Director of Planning for Sacramento Regional Transit

Statement and word count begin below:

My entire academic and professional life has been centered around the basic tenant of public service. I earned two Master's degrees from Cal Poly, in City & Regional Planning and Engineering. This knowledge base set the foundation for over a decade of work in government. While I was successful working within government, I realized it was the decision makers that were driving policy.

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I am a competent and thoughtful leader, who listens to criticism and makes decisions based on the facts at hand. The fiscal outlook for the City is not good. Roads keep getting worse, landscaping is clogged with trash, and code enforcement seems non-existent. These real-world issues can be solved, with smart thinking and tough choices. I have the education, experience, and enthusiasm to make sure Suisun is a place we can be proud of.

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Applicant's Signature

12-25-22  
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1-8-23

Date

## Suisun City Council Application Questions & Answers

Anthony Adams  
1/8/2023

### 1. What are your top 3 priorities for Suisun City? Why do you think these are most important?

My top three priorities and the reasons for their importance are stated below:

1. Fiscal Stability – Suisun City's budget is less than robust. In fact, Suisun City has a smaller general fund budget (\$23M) than the City of Dixon (\$28M), who is only 2/3<sup>rd</sup> the population of Suisun. Suisun city gets on average 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the sales tax revenue per capita as other California Cities. This results in a myriad of civic shortcomings, which can be seen in our landscaping, policing, and road maintenance. Furthermore, the temporary sales tax, Measure S, is scheduled to end in 2024, putting a \$2-3M hole in an already meager budget.
2. Maintaining Existing Assets – Suisun is a mature and storied city. While the age of this City provides character, it also results in costly maintenance. The City has not kept up with existing landscaping and park maintenance. The City has not kept up with road maintenance. The City has not kept up with homeless response and code enforcement. Because the City has limited resources, we are left with making difficult choices and our existing assets are deteriorating as fast rates. We must turn attention to maintaining what we have in good condition, before bigger bills come due.
3. Sustainable Development – Sitting at the edge of an environmentally sensitive marsh, with sea-levels rising, Suisun must take a future-proof approach to development. Rising water will not only create environmental harm, but will damage infrastructure, homes, and affect businesses. Planning for future scenarios and promoting a mix of high-quality industrial, commercial, and transit-oriented developments will ensure Suisun is environmentally and fiscally sustainable for generations to come.

### 2. What are the key issues you see facing our community? Why do you think these are the key issues and what might be the solutions?

The City of Suisun City faces many issues that are shared with communities in California. Homelessness, cleanliness, providing public safety, and fiscal stability. I believe these are the key issues, because they have an impact on our daily lives and are ones we as a community can actually change.

1. Homelessness – Nearly every city has a homeless population, but not all cities handle it the same way. Turning a blind eye and waiting for someone else to fix the problem has not been working. The locations that have the biggest impact on homelessness are the ones that create partnerships. If things are going to change, we have to change the ways we are doing things. Suisun must partner with Fairfield, the County, and the State to consolidate resources and adopt a plan. Strict enforcement along with presentation of opportunities for the homeless will get them out of our neighborhoods and into the facilities or locations that are more appropriate. Homelessness is not a crime, but people living in public spaces is not the solution.
2. Cleanliness – There is already a volunteer organization the Suisun City Clean Team that helps keep our City clean. They do a fantastic job, but more is needed. It is not right to ask citizens to pick up trash that is blowing from a business's trash can or homeless encampment. We need enforcement of commercial trash receptacles along with

providing more public trash cans around the City. I would also like to explore partnering with the City of Fairfield to have the homeless population get paid for picking up trash in our community. It has been shown to be effective in Fairfield and San Jose.

3. Public Safety – Police and Fire in Suisun City are underfunded. While they provide great service with the resource they are provided, their pay and staffing are not on par with other Solano Cities. This results in high turnover rates and unfilled positions. The City must plan to increase revenues and increase public safety worker pay along with it.
4. Fiscal Stability – Nearly all the issues that have been stated before are a result of Suisun's poor fiscal health. Rich communities don't have these issues. They can pay for a healthy public works department, public housing, and a fully staffed police and fire department. In Suisun, we make due with what we have. That is not good enough anymore. The City must plan for fiscal growth and stability for the near and long term. This means conducting a land-use analysis of remaining parcels to identify best developments that would maximize tax revenue. This also means a renewal of Measure S.

3. What is your vision for Suisun City and how would you like the City to look in 10 years?

My vision for Suisun City is a sustainable one. One that has identified developments for the remaining parcels and is under construction for most of them. One that has planned for sea-level rise and developed partnerships to fund improvements. A Suisun City that has a vibrant downtown, with people of all ages being able to find entertainment and dining experiences. In 10 years I want Suisun City to look like it is embracing the 21<sup>st</sup> century by creating transit-oriented development at the train station and mixed-use developments downtown. I want Suisun in 10 years to look like it paves its streets and takes care of its landscaping. In 10 years, I want Suisun City to look sustainable, maintained, and inviting.

4. Please describe how your qualifications, education, and/or work experience/training would be relevant in your role as a Councilmember.

I have earned two master's degrees from Cal Poly, one in City and Regional Planning and one in Engineering. I have used these degrees to attain employment in the government transportation field. I worked for the Solano Transportation Authority for 9 years and recently began working as Director of Planning for SacRT. I know how government works, I know how the funding works, and I know how to build relationships with partner agencies. I am inquisitive, a strong listener, and make decisions based on the facts at hand. I do not follow political party lines when making decisions for the community.

5. What has your previous involvement with the City of Suisun City been? Please include any service organizations or community engagement specific to Suisun City you have participated in and what your role was.

I have been involved in Suisun civic service since 2018. Originally serving as chair of the Parks & Recreation Commission, I was appointed to Suisun Council in 2019. I was the chair of the Climate and Environment Committee for two years. After losing a close election, I was appointed to the Planning Commission, where I was elected to the position of chair. I am also on the Board of Directors for a local non-profit, Sustainable Solano. I am committed to Suisun City's success.

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As my role as Director of Planning at SacRT, I may be required to attend Board meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays.

7. Are you aware of the time commitment and the responsibilities associated with serving as a Councilmember and are you prepared to serve without reservation?

Yes



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Olry, Steven
JAN 10 2023
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Please type or print clearly.

Name: Steven M. Olry Date: Jan 9, 2023
Are you a registered voter? Yes [X] No [ ] City Clerk will verify voter registration.
Are you a resident of Suisun City? Yes [X] No [ ]
How long have you lived in Suisun City? approx 6 years
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### APPLICATION

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PERSONAL DATA			
Name: <i>STEVEN M. OLRY</i>			
Add: [REDACTED]	City: <i>Suisun</i>	State: <i>Cal</i>	Zip: <i>94585</i>
Home Phone: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

EMPLOYMENT DATA		
Employer: <i>retired</i>		
City:	Industry:	Dates:
Employer:		
City:	Industry:	Dates:

EDUCATION DATA			
College/Universities Attended (Name/Location)	Major	Degree	Year Completed
<i>Contra Costa College</i>	<i>Bus Adm</i>	<i>AA</i>	<i>1969</i>
<i>Sacramento State 1 year</i>	<i>Bus Adm</i>		
Licenses or Special Certificates Held: <i>Real estate 1983-1997</i>			

CIVIC EXPERIENCE		
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<i>STA pedestrian Adv. committee</i>	<i>Suisun rep</i>	<i>2021-22</i>
<i>Suisun environment committee</i>	<i>member</i>	<i>2021-22</i>
<i>Suisun Public Safety</i>	<i>member</i>	<i>recently appt.</i>

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My Name is: Steven M. Olry  
 My Age is (optional): \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Occupation is: Retired

Statement and word count begin below:

RESIDENCY: Since purchasing a home here in Suisun my family are six year residents of this community.

CAREER: I had a 40plus year career with Lucky Stores including twelve years in middle management. After achieving the level of Asst. Mgr., I was recruited as a licensed Real Estate Agent for 12 years with Security Pacific Real Estate. In addition, I have owned and managed investment properties for 30plus years. My skills included contract negotiating, closing many transactions. I am well familiar with financing and budget portfolios on numerous short-term and long-term investment properties.

Prior to moving to Suisun, I served as a board member for seven years on a 240 unit condo HOA. In addition, I have attended Suisun Council meetings for over 4 years and am familiar with the various complex issues that challenge Suisun City.

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Applicant

Date

Jan 9, 2023

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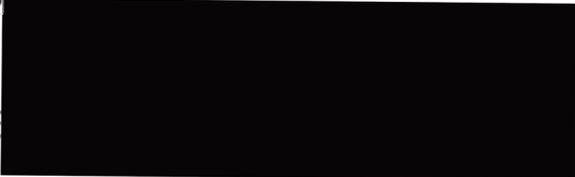
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## Questionnaire

- ① - Maximize revenue  
to maintain public safety + infrastructure
- Emphasize transparency with public  
to encourage community engagement
- To pursue remedies for treatment of  
our homeless mentally ill.
- ② Addressing lack of adequate revenue  
to effectively cope growing demands
- ③ To eventually achieve financial stability  
and independence.
- ④ My life experiences emphasize the need  
for financial independence - both family  
and city levels.
- ⑤ Besides serving on 3 Suisun  
committees, I have occasionally  
volunteered in several clean-up  
efforts and by attending countless  
city council meetings, am well  
acquainted with citizen frustrations.
- ⑥ Availability poses no problem.
- ⑦ yes



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Pal, Amit
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Name: Amit Pal Date: 01/10/23
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*See ATTACHED.*



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**APPLICATION**

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Name: <b>Amit Pal</b>			
Address: [REDACTED]	City: <b>Suisun City</b>	State: <b>CA</b>	Zip: <b>94585</b>
Home Phone:		Cell Phone: [REDACTED]	
Email Address: [REDACTED]			

EMPLOYMENT DATA			
Employer: <b>LionExt</b>			
City: <b>Santa Fe Springs</b>	Industry: <b>Logistical, E-Commerce, Real Estate</b>	Dates: <b>03/01/2021</b>	
Employer: <b>PG&amp;E</b>			
City: <b>San Francisco</b>	Industry: <b>Utility</b>	Dates: <b>05/2011 - 06-17</b>	

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<b>CSU Sacramento</b>	<b>Criminal Justice</b>	<b>Bachelors</b>	<b>2010</b>
Licenses or Special Certificates Held: <b>FEMA Incident Command Services Cert.</b>			

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<b>Board of Directors: Fairfield-Suisun, Solano Hispanic</b>		
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<b>Suisun City Planning Commission, Suisun</b>		
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My Age is (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Statement of Qualifications**

My name is Amit Pal, age 36. I have been a resident of Suisun City since my parents moved from India to Suisun City in 1993. I attended the local schools and graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice from CSU Sacramento.

Currently, I live with my loving wife and two children. My background in business, community service, and public service has prepared me well to be qualified as a candidate for the vacancy for the City Council. My Parents and extended family are also residents.

As a past candidate for City Council, and member of the Suisun City Planning Commission, I will be able to hit the ground running to continue sensible economic vitality for our City. I was one of the founding members of the Suisun City Community Foundation to help save July 4th activities during the budget constraints.

I understand the needs of our business community and our residents to provident sensible governance with community input.

I look forward to the town hall to share with the Mayor, Council, and the public my qualifications to be considered for the vacancy to the Suisun City Council.

Thank you for the opportunity.



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## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

1) My top three priorities for Suisun City are public safety, economic vitality, and homelessness. Our community must enjoy all the great things our city has to offer. If we have economic vitality and continue to encourage business development and retain our businesses to generate the funds to help pay for Public Safety (Police and Fire) and help fix our streets. Homelessness is not a Suisun City, Fairfield, and/or Solano County issue. It is a national issue, that needs our community, regional, and state officials' support.

2) My key concern is our City's budget. In the event there is a downturn in the economy it will impact the budget of the City and therefore we need to use a cautious approach to our spending and continue to retain our current businesses and market Suisun City to attract business to help generate tax dollars. The unfunded liability is a concern that the council needs to address, as any deferred maintenance i.e. road repair. We need innovative ideas such as researching alternative slurry that uses recycled tires for paving saving costs and increasing the area paved.

3) My vision for Suisun City is for it continues to be a diverse community, where my kids will want to live. I want to see more retail, restaurants, and opportunity hub. I want growth, but within City limits. I would like to request a strategic session with the Community about what their needs and wants are.

4) I have also wanted to give back to my community. I served Suisun City as a volunteer Police Cadet with Suisun City Police Department, Suisun City Community Foundation, and the Suisun City Planning Commission.

The men and women of our police department encourage and helped in my education and earning my degree in Criminal Justice. My job as a District Representative for State Senator Lois Work, Public Affairs for PG&E, Municipal Manager for Republic Services, and now Businessperson. I feel that I will bring a unique perspective to the Council with my experience in Government, Corporate, and entrepreneurship. I understand how we can work with our representatives in the Capitol when it comes to bills that may have a direct and/or indirect impact on our City. Community outreach and building consensus, working with my business contacts to market Suisun City for businesses to invest in.

In my role with PG&E, I was designated as an emergency responder and was in the County's EOC during the LNU fire. I understand the ICS structure to be sure our community is ready in the event of a major disaster.

5) My service in Suisun City began as a volunteer Police Cadet. I would work the swing shifts and help officers with parking tickets, traffic control, and duties that were assigned. I was one of the founding members of the Suisun City Community Foundation where we worked with community members and businesses to help raise funds to continue the July 4th celebration when the City did not have the budget. I was appointed to the Suisun City Planning Commission

and served as Chair as well. I worked with the Community, staff, and business to ensure that we were able to help businesses remove restrictions on their hours such as the new brewery that opened. As Chair of APAPA, worked with Mr. CC Yin to help provide masks during Covid-19 to our Community.

6) At the moment I do not have any time constraints to attend the meetings. However, if there is a business trip I will plan accordingly.

7) I am aware of the time commitment and responsibility associated with serving as Councilmember and I am prepared to serve without reservation.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUISUN CITY  
APPOINTING \_\_\_\_\_ TO THE VACANT COUNCILMEMBER SEAT  
FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENT TERM**

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**WHEREAS**, after the November 8, 2022 election, a then-Councilmember whose term was set to end in 2024 was elected to the office of the Mayor. Once the Councilmember was sworn in as Mayor, her Council seat became vacant.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Suisun City Municipal Code Section 2.04.040 and Section 36512 of the Government Code, the Council must fill the vacancy by appointment, or call a special election to fill the vacancy, within 60 days of the vacancy, i.e., by February 3, 2023. Government Code Section 36512 does not provide any specific guidance on the manner in which the Council selects an individual to fill a vacancy.

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 36512(b)(2)(B) also provides that “if the vacancy occurs in the second half of a term of office, the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall hold office for the unexpired term of the former incumbent.” Because the vacancy occurred in the second half of the councilmember’s term, any appointment will run through the end of the term.

**WHEREAS**, at the Council meeting on December 6, 2022, the Council directed the City Attorney’s office to return at the December 20, 2022 meeting with the appropriate documentation to adopt an application and interview process.

**WHEREAS**, on December 20, 2022, the Council agreed on an application and interview process and, accordingly, the Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-167, adopting the procedures related to the filling of the vacancy on the City Council.

**WHEREAS**, the Council reviewed and considered all properly submitted applications and interviewed 11 applicants on January 17, 2023, during a publicly noticed “town hall”-style public meeting, and selected six applicants to move on to the January 24, 2023 Council meeting, for further discussion and deliberation regarding the remaining applicants.

**WHEREAS**, at the Council meeting on January 24, 2023, the Council conducted a further interview of the remaining applicants and, afterward, discussed and deliberated for the purpose of selecting one applicant to appoint to the vacant councilmember seat.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Suisun City as follows:

**Section 1.** The recitals hereto are true and correct and by this reference incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** Pursuant to Suisun Municipal Code Section 2.04.040 and Government Code Section 36512, the Council hereby appoints \_\_\_\_\_ to fill the vacant seat on the City Council for the remainder of the vacated seat’s term, which will terminate at the end of 2024.

**Section 3.** If any provision of this Resolution or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable. The Council declares that the Council would have adopted this Resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion of this Resolution.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately after its adoption by the Council, and shall expire upon the expiration of the vacated seat’s term.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Suisun City duly held on January 24, 2023, by the following vote:

- AYES:** Council Members:
- NOES:** Council Members:
- ABSENT:** Council Members:
- ABSTAIN:** Council Members:

**WITNESS** my hand and the seal of said City this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

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Anita Skinner  
City Clerk