

Application for City Council Vacancy

To qualify to serve as a Council Member, the applicant must be a resident and registered voter in the City of Emeryville. Registered voters in Emeryville must be U.S. citizens, residents of Emeryville, 18 years of age or older, and not currently in prison or on parole for a felony conviction.

Please note: home address and phone number will be redacted from the completed application form and/or resume when it is forwarded to the City Council or provided in response to public records requests in order to protect individual privacy.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:*

Dr. Eugene Tssui

Email Address:*

[REDACTED]

Home Address:*

[REDACTED]

City:*

[REDACTED]

State:*

[REDACTED]

Zip Code:*

[REDACTED]

Phone Number:*

[REDACTED]

Are you a registered voter in the City of Emeryville?*

Yes

No

Place of Employment:*

TDR. Inc.

Occupation:*

Architect, City and Regional Planner, Author, Professor

Upload Your Résumé:

[REDACTED]

EDUCATION / EXTRACURRICULAR INTERESTS

High School:

University of Minnesota High School

College:

Columbia University, University of Oregon, University of Cali

Trade or Business School(s):

West Bank School of Music, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Extracurricular Interests:

Eight-Time World Amateur Boxing Champion; Four-Time Senior Olympic Gymnastics All-Around Champion; Eight-Time US Presidential Sports Award winner conferred by Us Presidents, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush; Minnesota State Swimming Championship finalist, 100 Yard Breaststroke; Minnesota State Track and Field Championships, 5th Place, 400 Meter Relay

ADVISORY BODY EXPERIENCE / INFORMATION

Please list all past and current City of Emeryville advisory boards.*

None.

Please list any past and current board, commission or committee memberships outside of Emeryville.*

Design Principal, Committee for the Development of Shen Bao City (30,000 square acres), Toisan, China; Design Principal, Committee for the Development of Yao Mountain City (400 square kilometers), Guizhou, Province, China.

Please list all organization memberships and positions held.*

San Francisco Chinese American Democratic Party; Asian Pacific Islander Society; Green Party of California; Chinese Historical Society of America, Sierra Club, Union of Concerned Scientists; Democratic Party of California; American Insitute of Architects, American Planning Association; Union of International Architects; Greenpeace

Please list any relevant work and volunteer experience.*

Assistant to the Executive Director, Bay Area Open Space Council to develop the 25 year plan to predict growth in the San Francisco Bay area including population growth, vehicular growth, housing growth, environmental depletion, economic growth, pollution modeling and park area growth, and Co-Founder, Emeryville People's Garden; President of the Parent/Teachers Association--Emeryville High School 2007-2008; Co-Director, Watergate Finance Committee (residential complex of 3000+ persons); Teaching Volunteer, Oregon State Juvenile Detention Facility; Teaching Volunteer, Rivendale Kindergarten, Eugene, Oregon; Teaching Volunteer, Krishnamurti School, Victoria, Canada; Senior Lecturer in architecture and ecology, University of California, Berkeley; Professor of Architecture, San Francisco State University; Professor of Architecture, San Francisco Institute of Architecture; Visiting Endowment Professor, University of Ohio; International Professor of Architecture and Ecology in China at Shenzhen University, South China University of Science and Technology, Harbin University School of Architecture and City Planning. Beijing University Department of Energy and the Environment. City Design Director for the creation of Shen Bao City (30,000 square acres), Toisan, China; Principal City Designer, Yao Mountain Cultural City (400 Square kilometers), Guizhou Province, China

Please provide a short (300 words or less) statement discussing your education, experience, qualifications and preparation for serving on the Emeryville City Council.*

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota. During primary school and middle school at the University of Minnesota, I, was part of an experiment in creativity and talent development initiated by educational psychologist, E. Paul Torrance, in the 1960's. I attended Columbia University, the University of Oregon, and the University of California, Berkeley, where I received an Interdisciplinary doctorate in architecture and education. I worked for the Organizing Committee of the 1976 Montreal Summer Olympics and with the revolutionary American and German architects, Bruce Goff and Dr. Frei Otto. I opened my own California-based firm in 1990 and was asked to teach architecture and ecology at elite universities in China from 1999 to 2015, and at UC Berkeley. I am author of 7 international books on architecture, ecology, and behavioral change; 4 design portfolios, and over 100 internationally published articles. I have won grant awards from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Graham Foundation, and the American Institute of Architects. There have been three documentary films made about me and my work. In 2013 I was given the title, "Guardian Angel of the Planet", sharing this title with Jane Goodall and Jean Michael Cousteau, conferred by Project Coyote, a national coalition of scientists and educators. I am a Four-Time Senior Olympic Gymnastics All-Around Champion, Eight-Time Amateur Boxing World Champion, and an Eight-Time US Presidential Sports Award winner conferred by US Presidents, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush. I am a composer and my piano pieces have been performed in the USA and China. I have been featured on numerous television programs such as National Geographic, Discovery Channel, PBS, CNN, The McNeil/Lehrer Report, MTV Cribs, The Learning Channel, Disney Channel, History Channel, CCTV China, EuroTV, NBC, ABC, CBS and others. I am married to sociologist/educator, Dr. Elisabeth P. Montgomery. I have three children and four grand-children, and reside in Emeryville since 1989--34 years. In 2020, one of my Berkeley architectural designs won the Best of Berkeley Design Award.

* indicates required fields.

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