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**Sent:** Friday, May 11, 2018 3:06 PM  
**To:** Sheri Hartz; Lorrayne Leong; Mary Bolt; Catherine Firpo  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Board / Committee / Commission Application

## Board / Committee / Commission Application

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Full Name:\*** Ryan Greenberg  
**Email Address:\*** [REDACTED]  
**Gender:** Male

**Please specify the Board, Commission or Committee you are applying for:\***  
[Planning Commission V]

**Which position(s) on the Advisory Body are you applying for?**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Representative            | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commissioner         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Labor Representative          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resident           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Member        | <input type="checkbox"/> Resident (Dog Owner)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Business Representative      | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Community Member       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Business Representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business Representative |

**I am currently a member of the above Committee, and am seeking reappointment.\***

☐ Yes ☒ No

**If you are seeking re-appointment, has any of your information changed within the last 12 months?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

*If your answer is yes, please complete the rest of this form.*

*If your information has not changed within the past 12 months, please only enter your name and email information above. You do not need to complete the remainder of this form.*

### RESIDENCY / EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

<b>Home Address:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>City:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>State:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>Zip Code:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Phone Number:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>How long have you lived in Emeryville?</b> 1 year		
<b>Place of Employment:</b> BigCommerce	<b>Occupation:</b> Software Engineer		
<b>Business Address:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>City:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>State:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>Zip Code:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Phone Number:</b> [REDACTED]	<b>How long have you worked in Emeryville?</b> 0		

### EDUCATION / EXTRACURRICULAR INTERESTS

<b>High School:</b> Kern Valley High	<b>College:</b> UC Santa Barbara
<b>Trade or Business School(s):</b> Learners Guild	
<b>Other Interests:</b> Tabletop gaming, Motorcycles, Windsurfing, Rafting	

**ADVISORY BODY EXPERIENCE / INFORMATION**

**Are you currently serving on other Boards, Commissions or Committees?**

☐ Yes

☒ No

**Have you served on a Board, Commission or Committee before?**

☐ Yes

☒ No

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

n/a

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

n/a

**Please list all organization memberships and positions held.**

East Bay Young Democrats Delegate in Democratic State Central committee Volunteer in Tech for Campaigns

**Please list any relevant work and volunteer experience.**

I am a hobbyist policy wonk who volunteered to help under resourced campaigns in the central valley. That is where the bulk of my political research experience comes from.

**Why are you interested in serving on this Board, Commission or Committee?**

I feel it's important as a new member of the community to look out for those that nobody else seems to. Housing is vital in the Bay Area. Even though our city is small, I want to help us continue to punch above our weight and make sure that we have an Emeryville that continues to embrace mixed use development and is as responsive as possible to the housing needs of our population. I am tired of hearing about friends and neighbors getting pushed out of their homes. The upcoming bond measure (which I feel will pass) creates a great opportunity to ramp up affordable housing nearby and I want to help make it as successful as possible.

**PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS ONLY**

**Please provide a short (300 words or less) statement discussing your ideas and attitudes about planning in Emeryville. Please consider issues such as traffic, industrial and commercial development density, affordable housing, maintaining community diversity and jobs/housing balance.**

When it comes to the happenings of Emeryville, I find it hard to isolate any complaints. Every time I think that the city should be pursuing some metric or initiative, I'll discover that the city is already undertaking steps in that direction, and usually in a much more ambitious way than I imagined. My history dealing with government comes from the campaign side of things, I currently help out with the policy committee in the East Bay Young Dems. I typically stay out of day to day affairs in municipalities but when I noticed multiple openings on a variety of local boards, I became worried that my fellow residents may not be taking as active a role in government as they should, so here I am to help do the best I can for the leaders of the city.

With the enthusiastic passing of Measure C, the path we all must take seems obvious. We must work tirelessly to create as much affordable housing stock as possible fight like hell for every unit of inclusionary housing while pursuing the highest sustainable densities possible. Emeryville's physical location places it within a nexus of public transport. I'm proud to be able to live in one of the few places in the U.S. where car ownership is truly unnecessary. One of the best choices we could make is to prioritize people over parking when the choice arises. By being a jobs and retail center in the East Bay, we're creating options to avoid the tolls, traffic, or squeezing into the transbay tube at rush hour. It will increase everyone's standard of living if jobs continue to expand in the area.

It is my hope I will be able to adequately serve the city council's needs.

Sincerely,  
Ryan Greenberg