

BOARD of SUPERVISORS



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**Application for Boards / Commissions / Committees / Task Forces
INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION**

San Francisco is a diverse City and County with a wide range of people and issues affecting it. In order to take advantage of the extensive experience and knowledge available throughout our communities, various Boards/Commissions/Committees/Task Forces have been established to bring that knowledge together. These groups and their membership requirements are established by legislation approved through the local, state, and/or federal government.

In addition to setting up the purpose and goals of the various groups, the governing legislation outlines the type of person - in terms of desirable skills and/or knowledge - who can contribute their knowledge and perspective. In this manner, a group of San Franciscans, who are representative of the City and County, can be active participants in addressing issues affecting the entire City and County.

If you are interested in serving the City and County of San Francisco, the following procedures are provided:

1. A list of vacancies and expected vacancies, with their qualifications, can be found at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, at the San Francisco Main Public Library, and online on the Board of Supervisors' website (<https://www.sf.gov/board-of-supervisors-boards-commissions-task-forces-vacancy>). Please review this list for positions of interest.
 2. Submit an application (https://media.api.sf.gov/documents/vacancy_application_english.pdf)
(List all of the appropriate seat number(s) and/or category/categories for which you qualify. We request applications be received ten (10) days before the scheduled hearing.)
Applicants may also need to submit a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests (<https://www.fppc.ca.gov/Form700.html>), along with their application for all bodies listed in [Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.1-103\(a\)\(1\)](#).
 3. If the seat(s) you are applying for is vacant and requires the Board of Supervisors' confirmation, the Rules Committee may schedule your application for review. Applicants should expect to appear before the Rules Committee to speak on their qualifications and answer questions during a public hearing.
(There are no set instructions on what you are expected to present to the Rules Committee; however, a brief description of how your qualifications distinguish you from other applicants, reasons for your interest in the subject, and/or a short summarization on why you would make a good candidate is appropriate.)
 4. The Rules Committee may or may not make a recommendation for appointment. If a recommendation is made by the Rules Committee, the recommendation is forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval. It generally takes approximately 15 days from the date the Rules Committee makes their recommendation, for the individual to become officially appointed.
 5. Depending on the type of organization, a new appointee may need to take an Oath of Office.
- If there are no vacancies, your application will be retained for one year. If any openings occur during this time, your application will be submitted to the Rules Committee for review.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-5184. If you require detailed information concerning the operations of a particular Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force, please contact the administering department directly.

(Applications must be submitted to BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org or to the mailing address listed above.)

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Planning Commission

Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 1

Full Name: Malea Lopez Chavez

Zip Code: 94110

Occupation: Lawyer

Work Phone: 415- Employer: Mission Economic Development Agency

Business Address: 2301 Mission Street suite 301 Zip Code: 94110

Business Email: mchavez@medasf.org Home Email: [REDACTED]

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of residents of the City and County of San Francisco who are 18 years of age or older (unless otherwise stated in the code authority). For certain appointments, the Board of Supervisors may waive the residency requirement.

Resident of San Francisco: Yes ☒ No ☐ If No, place of residence: _____

18 Years of Age or Older: Yes ☒ No ☐

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(1), please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:

I am a resident of the Mission District. I was born in the Mission and I currently work at the Mission Economic Development Agency helping families to build generational wealth and helping small businesses to thrive. I am a second generation Latina born at St. Luke's hospital. My son was also born at St. Luke's hospital. My grandparents moved to San Francisco from El Salvador (maternal) and Mexico (paternal) and they met in San Francisco.

As an attorney I have worked for decades in housing and family law. I have followed the work of the planning commission for over twenty years and my experience can be an asset to the interest of the City and County of San Francisco. As a renter, I also understand the challenges of affordability in the city.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

I am an attorney with over 20 years of experience working with housing stability, supporting small businesses, working with Spanish-speaking communities, and participating in conflict resolution and mediation services.

I have been serving communities throughout San Francisco with legal clinics from the Mission District to the Bayview. I have also taught law school classes and mediation training for JusticeCorps members, law students, paralegals, and lawyers.

My curiosity and continuous learning can be assets to the planning commission. I can keep up with high levels of work and quick turnaround times.

Civic Activities:

I have served on the following Boards of Directors:

Project Legal Link 2020 - current

Homerise (formerly Community Housing Partnership) 2019 - 2024

Bar Association of San Francisco Barrister 2006 - 2022

Coleman Advocates for Children & Youth 2014 - 2018

Parents for Public Schools-San Francisco 2013 - 2014

La Cocina, Women Food Business Incubator 2011 - 2013

Dolores St. Community Services 2006 -2010

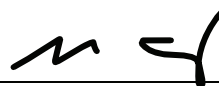
President of IFPTE Local 21 2008 - 2011

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes ☒ No ☐

An appearance before the Rules Committee may be required at a scheduled public hearing, prior to the Board of Supervisors considering the recommended appointment. Applications should be received ten (10) days prior to the scheduled public hearing.

Date: 7/17/26

Applicant's Signature (required):



(Manually sign or type your complete name.)

NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year. Once completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Appointed to Seat #: _____ Term Expires: _____ Date Vacated: _____