

**Meeting Date:** 8/16/2016

**Report Type:** Staff/Discussion

**Report ID:** 2016-00680

Personnel and  
Public Employees  
Committee Report

915 I Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

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**Title:** Conduct Interviews for the Utility Rates Advisory Commission

**Location:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** 1) Conduct interviews of applicant(s) to the Utility Rates Advisory Commission for Seat A: A member who is a city resident; resides in, owns, or manages a multifamily residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution. Seat C: A member who is a city resident; owns, is a principle of, or is employed in a full-time management position for, a business that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution. Seat E: A member who is a city resident and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution. Seat G: A member who is a city resident and receives utility service and 2) continue the item to the next meeting for discussion and nomination(s).

**Contact:** Wendy Klock-Johnson, Assistant City Clerk, (916) 808-7509, Office of the City Clerk; Erin Treadwell, Program Specialist, (916) 808-4934, Public Works Department

**Presenter:** None

**Department:** City Clerk

**Division:** City Clerk

**Dept ID:** 04001011

**Attachments:**

1-Description/Analysis

2-Background

3-Board Details and Roster

4-Applications

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**City Attorney Review**

Approved as to Form  
Gary Lindsey  
6/16/2016 10:07:54 AM

**Approvals/Acknowledgements**

Department Director or Designee: Wendy Klock-Johnson - 6/15/2016 7:15:55 PM

## **Description/Analysis**

**Issue Detail:** Prior to forwarding nominations to the Mayor for appointment, the Personnel and Public Employees Committee conducts interviews of applicants for open board and commission positions.

**Policy Considerations:** None.

**Economic Impacts:** None.

**Environmental Considerations:** None.

**Sustainability:** None.

**Commission/Committee Action:** None.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** When a position on a City board or commission becomes available thru term expiration or resignation, the Office of the City Clerk conducts a recruitment for interested parties. When the application period has closed, the Personnel and Public Employee Committee conducts interviews of the applicants and forwards nominations to the Mayor for appointment.

**Financial Considerations:** None.

**Local Business Enterprise (LBE):** None.

## Attachment 02 – Background

### Utilities Rate Advisory Commission (Interviews)

**BACKGROUND:** There are two candidates applying to fill one vacancy in **Seat A:** A member who is a city resident; resides in, owns, or manages a multifamily residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution. There are **Seat C:** A member who is a city resident; owns, is a principle of, or is employed in a full-time management position for, a business that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution on the Sacramento. **Seat E:** A member who is a city resident and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution and **Seat G:** A member who is a city resident and receives utility service on the Utilities Rate Advisory Commission. The following is a brief history of compliance requirements for incumbents on this Commission.

### VACANCY INFORMATION

Seat Description	Term	Residency	Incumbent
<b>Seat A:</b> A member who is a city resident; resides in, owns, or manages a multifamily residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.	Full	Required	None (No prior appointment)
<b>Seat C:</b> A member who is a city resident; owns, is a principle of, or is employed in a full-time management position for, a business that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution on the Sacramento.	Full	Required	Carolyn Veal-Hunter (Term Maxed/ Did not re-apply)
<b>Seat E:</b> A member who is a city resident and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law,	Full	Required	Brian Biering (Term Expired Re-applied)

sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.			
<b>Seat G:</b> A member who is a city resident and receives utility service.	Full	Required	April Javist (formerly Butcher) (Term Expired Re-applied)

**INCUMBENT INFORMATION**

**There is no incumbent history for Seat A.** This seat has never been appointed.

**Carolyn Veal-Hunter** is the incumbent for **Seat C**. She was appointed to a full term on 1/27/2015 and will complete her third and final term on 8/2/2016, making her seat eligible for appointment to a full term. She is not eligible for re-appointment and has not re-applied.

**Brian Biering** is the incumbent for **Seat E**. He was appointed to a full term on 1/27/2015 and completed his first term on 8/2/2016, making his seat eligible for appointment to a full term. He is eligible for re-appointment and has re-applied.

Requirement	Status	Comments
Ethic Training:	Current	
Conflict of Interest:	Required	
Attendance:	11 Meetings	2 excused absences/1 unexcused

**April Javist** (formerly Butcher) is the incumbent for **Seat G**. She was appointed to a full term on 1/27/2015 and completed her first term on 8/2/2016, making her seat eligible for appointment to a full term. She is eligible for re-appointment and has re-applied.

Requirement	Status	Comments
Ethic Training:	Current	
Conflict of Interest:	Required	
Attendance:	11 Meetings	1 excused absence

**SUMMARY OF APPLICANTS**

Applicant Name	Seat	District	Interview Status
Anthony Jones	E or G	5	Attendance confirmed.
April Javist (formerly Butcher)*	G	6	Attendance confirmed.
Brian Biering*	C or E	4	Attendance confirmed.

Keith Ellis	A or E	4	Attendance confirmed.
Robert Carlson	A	5	Attendance confirmed.

Incumbent\*



# UTILITIES RATE ADVISORY COMMISSION

## BOARD DETAILS



**OVERVIEW**



**SIZE** 7 Seats



**TERM LENGTH** 2 Years



**TERM LIMIT** 3 Term

The commission shall: (1) Review and comment on proposals made by the department for changes to utility service rates (2) Develop and provide recommendations to the city council on issues relevant to the setting of rates, not including the level of service (3) Hold rate hearings on proposals to increase utility service rates or establish new rates and upon conclusion of the hearing, provide recommendations to the city council (4) Act as a liaison to encourage community understanding of, and participation in, the utility service rate setting process.

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	<b>BOARD TYPE</b>	Advisory
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### DETAILS

#### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Seat A: A member who is a city resident; resides in, owns, or manages a multifamily residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.

Seat B: A member who is a city resident; resides in or owns a single family residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.

Seat C: A member who is a city resident; owns, is a principle of, or is employed in a full-time management position for, a business that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.

Seat D: A member who is a city resident and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.

Seat E: A member who is a city resident and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution.

Seat F: A member who is a city resident and receives utility service.

Seat G: A member who is a city resident and receives utility service.

<b>WEBSITE</b>	None
<b>MANAGING AGENCY</b>	City of Sacramento/Public Works Department
<b>MEETING LOCATION</b>	915 I Street City Council Chambers - NCH Sacramento, CA 95814
<b>MEETING TIME</b>	5:30pm
<b>MEETING FREQUENCY</b>	Monthly
<b>STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST (SEI)</b>	Required
<b>SEI CONTACT NAME</b>	Sacramento City Clerk
<b>SEI CONTACT EMAIL</b>	clerk@cityofsacramento.org
<b>SEI CONTACT NUMBER</b>	(916) 808-7200
<b>FORMATION INFORMATION</b>	Sacramento City Ordinance 2012-0024, 2008-0001 ( <a href="#">City Code section 13.02</a> )
<b>FORMATION DATE</b>	2/13/2008
<b>ADDITIONAL DETAILS</b>	NA
<b>COMMENTS (INTERNAL)</b>	All members shall be City residents w ho receive utility service from the department.



City of Sacramento

# UTILITIES RATE ADVISORY COMMISSION

## BOARD ROSTER



**BRIAN BIERING**

**1 Term** Jan 27, 2015 - Aug 02, 2016

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat E-Application Closing Period 6/3/2016  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**APRIL BUTCHER**

**1 Term** Jan 27, 2015 - Aug 02, 2016

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat G-Application Closing Period 6/3/2016  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**ANDREW DAY**

**1 Term** Sep 02, 2015 - Aug 02, 2017

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat D  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**TIMOTHY HORNER**

**2 Term** Aug 02, 2015 - Aug 02, 2017

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat B  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**RYAN MCMANUS**

**1 Term** Sep 02, 2015 - Aug 02, 2017

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat F  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**CAROLYN VEAL-HUNTER**

**3 Term** Jan 27, 2015 - Aug 02, 2016

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat C-Application Closing Period 6/3/2016  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor



**VACANCY**

**Position** See board details for position description  
**Category** Seat A: Application Closing Period 6/13/2016  
**Appointed by** Nominated by P&PE/Appointed by the Mayor

### City Advisory Body Information

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Utilities Rate Advisory Commission

Seat # and Description (please indicate all Seats in which you are qualified for):

seat #E or G. I have a background in water quality, water supply and water distribution.

2015

Name of Company/Organization being Represented (if Applicable):

### Profile

Anthony

First Name

Jones

Last Name

[Redacted]

Email Address

[Redacted]

Street Address

Suite or Apt

Sacramento

City

CA

State

95820

Postal Code

Council District 5

Business Council District

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

Are you currently, or have you in the past, served on a city advisory body?

Yes  No

If Yes, provide the name of the meeting body and how that service supports your application:

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Do you, or any immediate family member, have any relationship (professional, financial or otherwise) that may present a potential conflict of interest for the meeting body applied for?

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Yes  No

If Yes, please explain:

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## Applicant Interest Statement

Please state the reason(s) you would like to be a member of this city advisory body and share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that would be helpful in evaluating your application.

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I have a strong background in water treatment, water quality, water supply and water distribution, holding a doctorate in oceanography. For about ten years, I was the Chief Technology Officer for a research and development firm that was developing advanced water treatment systems. I live in Colonial Height and have been to meetings of the neighborhood association including attending the Partnership on Stockton's security briefing. I participated in the City Attorney General's Citizens' Academy a couple years back and would like to contribute my knowledge and experience toward guiding the city's utilities in this age of post Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

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## Education

University of Hawaii

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Institution Name:

Oceanography

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Area of Study:

01/87 - 07/93

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Ph.D.

Degree Earned:

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San Diego State University

Institution Name:

Biology

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

MSc

Degree Earned:

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UC Berkeley

Institution Name:

Zoology and Marine Biology

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

BA

Degree Earned

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## Employment

10/12 to present

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Intake Works LLC

Employer:

5201 San Francisco Blvd.

Address:

## Job Duties

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Facilitated the introduction of new desalination technology. The State of CA is concerned about the intake of ocean water to supply desalination facilities along the coast. Working for Intake Works, I identified a Spanish drilling company that has successfully developed horizontal directional drilling technology. Initiated an agreement with the Spaniards, briefed private desalination developers and municipal water districts throughout southern CA, and introduced a novel technology that is under review by regulators and environmentalists.

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05/08 -- 10/12

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Campbell Applied Physics

Employer:

4790 Golden Foothill Parkway

Address:

**Job Duties:**

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Pioneered innovative seawater reverse osmosis system. Recruited to lead a team to design an advanced seawater desalination system. Led multi-national and cultural team, building a 1/8th scale system. Demonstrated a 30% lower overall energy use than conventional systems, and up to 70% lower carbon footprint. Hit all performance goals (energy consumption, water quality, production, and noise level).

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Employer:

Address:

**Job Duties:**

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**Business Enterprises**

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

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Business Name:

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Address:

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Type of Business or Service Rendered:

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## Felony Convictions

**Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

Yes  No

**If yes, please provide the date of conviction, location of court conviction, and specific description of the offense for each offense resulting in conviction.**

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## Civil Actions

N/A

List each civil action, if any, in which punitive or exemplary damages have been assessed against you, provide the trial date, the court judgement, and location of the court for each instance.

**List each civil action, if any, in which punitive or exemplary damages have been assessed against you, provide the trial date, the court judgement, and location of the court for each instance.**

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N/A

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## Accommodation Information

Please identify any special accommodations (if any) needed for equal participation

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## Demographics



Please select one:



Please select the appropriate racial/ethnic category:

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## How did you hear about the opening?

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- City of Sacramento Website
- Community Center Bulletin Board
- Channel 14
- Library Bulletin Board
- Social Media
- Employee Referral
- Other

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If Other, please describe.

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### City Advisory Body Information

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Ann Land and Bertha Henschel Memorial Funds Commission

Seat # and Description (please indicate all Seats in which you are qualified for):

Seat G

Name of Company/Organization being Represented (if Applicable):

### Profile

April  
First Name

Butcher  
Last Name

[Redacted]

Email Address

[Redacted]

Street Address

Suite or Apt

Sacramento  
City

CA  
State

95818  
Postal Code

District 6

Business Council District

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

Are you currently, or have you in the past, served on a city advisory body?

Yes  No

If Yes, provide the name of the meeting body and how that service supports your application:

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Do you, or any immediate family member, have any relationship (professional, financial or otherwise) that may present a potential conflict of interest for the meeting body applied for?

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Yes  No

If Yes, please explain:

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## Applicant Interest Statement

Please state the reason(s) you would like to be a member of this city advisory body and share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that would be helpful in evaluating your application.

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I am concluding the City Management Academy, hosted by the City of Sacramento, I have decided that I would like to continue my involvement by joining a commission that needs residents. I am applying for both this and the Utilities Commission and feel I can do both. I decided to apply for Ann Land/Bertha Henschel Memorial Fund Commission because it requires all of the skills I already use in my job and it looks like the City needs someone. Because the Sacramento Public Library Foundation holds endowments we manage funds per our investment policy and disburse funds according to a spending policy. We receive donations, legacies and bequests and on rare occasion, we receive personal property. I think my skills could help this commission. Thank you for your consideration.

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## Education

F.W. Olin Graduate School of  
Business, Babson College

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Institution Name:

Finance

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Area of Study:

**09/97-05/98**

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

**Masters**

Degree Earned:

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Institution Name:

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Degree Earned:

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Institution Name:

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Degree Earned

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## **Employment**

**05/07-Current**

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

**Sacramento Public Library  
Foundation**

Employer:

**828 I Street, Sacramento CA 95818**

Address:

## Job Duties

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Organizational sustainability, fund-raising, day to day accounting, oversee endowments and investments, outreach to literacy organizations, board management.

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Employer:

Address:

## Job Duties:

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Employer:

Address:

## Job Duties:

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Business Name:

Address:

Type of Business or Service Rendered:

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## Felony Convictions

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

Yes  No

If yes, please provide the date of conviction, location of court conviction, and specific description of the offense for each offense resulting in conviction.

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## Civil Actions

List each civil action, if any, in which punitive or exemplary damages have been assessed against you, provide the trial date, the court judgement, and location of the court for each instance.

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## Accommodation Information

Please identify any special accommodations (if any) needed for equal participation

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## Demographics



Please select one:



Please select the appropriate racial/ethnic category:

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## How did you hear about the opening?

- City of Sacramento Website
- Community Center Bulletin Board
- Channel 14
- Library Bulletin Board
- Social Media
- Employee Referral
- Other

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If Other, please describe.

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### City Advisory Body Information

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Utilities Rate Advisory Commission

Seat # and Description (please indicate all Seats in which you are qualified for):

Seat C or E

Brian Biering; Ellison, Schneider & Harris (Seat 3)

Name of Company/Organization being Represented (if Applicable):

### Profile

Brian

First Name

Biering

Last Name

[Redacted]

Email Address

[Redacted]

Street Address

Suite or Apt

Sacramento

City

CA

State

95818

Postal Code

Council District 4

Business Council District

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

Are you currently, or have you in the past, served on a city advisory body?

Yes  No

**If Yes, provide the name of the meeting body and how that service supports your application:**

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I am a current Board member on the URAC

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**Do you, or any immediate family member, have any relationship (professional, financial or otherwise) that may present a potential conflict of interest for the meeting body applied for?**

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Yes  No

**If Yes, please explain:**

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## **Applicant Interest Statement**

**Please state the reason(s) you would like to be a member of this city advisory body and share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that would be helpful in evaluating your application.**

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I am a resident of the City of Sacramento, and I am also a partner at a local law firm, Ellison, Schneider & Harris. I am interested in continuing to serve on the URAC. I am particularly interested in how the Department of Utilities serves its residential and business rate-payers and communicates changes in rates, costs of service and planned infrastructure to city ratepayers. The Department of Utilities has very important work underway through the installation of water meters and various plans for capital improvements to utility infrastructure. The refinement of rates and oversight of the Department's finances are integral to seeing these projects to fruition and also responding to future environmental and drought conditions. I see the Utility Rate Advisory Commission as playing an important role in both evaluating rate proposals on behalf of the Council and Mayor and ensuring transparency in the establishment of utility rates.

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## **Education**

University of Oregon

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Institution Name:

**Law**

Area of Study:

**09/05 - 05/08**

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

**Juris Doctorate**

Degree Earned:

**UC Davis**

Institution Name:

**Managerial Economics**

Area of Study:

**09/00 - 06/04**

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

**Bachelor of Science**

Degree Earned:

Institution Name:

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Degree Earned

**Employment**

**09/08 - present**

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

**Ellison, Schneider & Harris**

Employer:

**2600 Capitol Ave, Suite 400,  
Sacramento CA 95816**

Address:

## Job Duties

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I was recently named a partner at Ellison, Schneider & Harris, which is a medium sized law firm based in Sacramento. We represent clients on a variety of environmental, regulatory, and transactional matters. Most of our clients are involved in the water and energy industries. My practice has focused on regulatory and transactional work for energy companies (including generators, utilities and power marketers). I have also done some work in general rate cases for small investor owned utilities before the California Public Utilities Commission.

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

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Employer:

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Address:

## Job Duties:

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

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Employer:

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Address:

## Job Duties:

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## Business Enterprises

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

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Business Name:

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Address:

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Type of Business or Service Rendered:

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## Felony Convictions

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

Yes  No

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## Civil Actions

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## Demographics



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Please select one:



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Please select the appropriate racial/ethnic category:

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## How did you hear about the opening?

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City of Sacramento Website

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If Other, please describe.

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Name of Company/Organization being Represented (if Applicable):

### Profile

Keith

First Name

Ellis

Last Name

[Redacted]

Email Address

[Redacted]

Street Address

Apartment #12

Suite or Apt

Sacramento

City

CA

State

95814

Postal Code

Council District 4

Business Council District

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

Are you currently, or have you in the past, served on a city advisory body?

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Yes  No

**If Yes, provide the name of the meeting body and how that service supports your application:**

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n/a

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**Do you, or any immediate family member, have any relationship (professional, financial or otherwise) that may present a potential conflict of interest for the meeting body applied for?**

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Yes  No

**If Yes, please explain:**

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n/a

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## **Applicant Interest Statement**

**Please state the reason(s) you would like to be a member of this city advisory body and share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that would be helpful in evaluating your application.**

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I wish to serve on the Sacramento City Utilities Rates Advisory Commission to be an engaged resident of the city. Recently, there have been increases to city utilities rates which seems to be a regional trend; I would like to serve in this capacity to offer insights on efficiencies and the residents proscriptive on city utilities rates. These rates affect us all and those affects are as diverse as our community. Furthermore, I believe my education and professional experience would provide a unique synthesis for the city. As an undergraduate student at UC Merced I served on several campus committees that dealt with accounting, finance, budgeting, and strategic planning. Most notably of these committees were the Student Fee Advisory Committee that made recommendations to the Chancellor on use of the Student Services Fee as well as provided oversight to the various departments using campus based student fees. Also, I served on the Merced Division of the University of California Academic Senate Committee on Academic Planning & Recourse Allocation that reviewed the academic strategic plans for the campus as well as provided input to the Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost on strategic research investments and allocations. Thank you.

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## **Education**

**California State University,  
Sacramento**

Institution Name:

**Education: Higher Education  
Leadership & Policy Studies**

Area of Study:

**06/2014 - 05/2016**

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

**Master of Arts**

Degree Earned:

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**University of California, Merced**

Institution Name:

**Management & Political Science**

Area of Study:

**08/2007 - 05/2012**

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

**bachelor of Science & Bachelor of  
Arts**

Degree Earned:

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Institution Name:

Area of Study:

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Degree Earned

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**Employment**

**11/2014 - Present**

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

**Los Rios Community College**

District at Cosumnes River College

Employer:

8401 Center Parkway Sacramento,  
CA 95823

Address:

## Job Duties

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Under general supervision of an assigned manager/supervisor, provides continuing educational support services to disabled students in Disabled Student Programs & Services; assists with program development, planning, and implementation; and performs related work as assigned. Provides training and assistance to students, faculty, and staff on the use of assistive and adaptive technology hardware and software including: CCTV's, Windows, Mac OS X, iOS, and Android applications. Provide back up support to the alternative educational media specialist. Also, provide test proctoring support for assistive technology. Serves as initial source of information and assistance to persons contacting DSP&S; orients students to the program and its resources and assists with the intake process. Assists in the interviewing, hiring, training, and oversight of student help. Assists in creating an aesthetic, warm atmosphere of acceptance; and advises students to assist in their development of educational goals. Maintains student records and confidentiality. Assists in advocating for disabled students from related agencies and campus community; establishes and maintains working relationships.

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From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Employer:

Address:

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Address:

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## Business Enterprises

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

Business Name:

Address:

Type of Business or Service Rendered:

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## Felony Convictions

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

Yes  No

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n/a

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n/a

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## Accommodation Information

Please identify any special accommodations (if any) needed for equal participation

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Digital documents are preferred: PDF or word doc.

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## Demographics



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Please select one:



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Please select the appropriate racial/ethnic category:

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### How did you hear about the opening?

City of Sacramento Website

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If Other, please describe.

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### City Advisory Body Information

#### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Utilities Rate Advisory Commission

#### Seat # and Description (please indicate all Seats in which you are qualified for):

Seat A: A member who is a city resident; resides in, owns, or manages a multifamily residence that receives utility service; and possesses expertise or has demonstrated leadership in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection and treatment, solid waste collection and disposal, recycling, storm water collection and conveyance, water quality, or water supply and distribution

Name of Company/Organization being Represented (if Applicable):

### Profile

Robert

First Name

Carlson

Last Name

Email Address

Street Address

Suite or Apt

Sacramento

City

CA

State

95817

Postal Code

Council District 5

Business Council District

Primary Phone

Are you currently, or have you in the past, served on a city advisory body?

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Yes  No

If Yes, provide the name of the meeting body and how that service supports your application:

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Do you, or any immediate family member, have any relationship (professional, financial or otherwise) that may present a potential conflict of interest for the meeting body applied for?

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Yes  No

If Yes, please explain:

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I currently work for the California Department of Resource Recovery and Recycling (CalRecycle), the state department responsible for the oversight of solid waste in the State. I work in the policy development office and while I don't believe there will be a conflict of interest, there may be depending on the specifics of the situation at hand.

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## Applicant Interest Statement

Please state the reason(s) you would like to be a member of this city advisory body and share any additional experience, community activities, or other qualifications that would be helpful in evaluating your application.

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I have spent the previous 9+ years working on issues related to solid waste in California from a state-wide basis. While much of my work involved interaction with local governments, NGOs, and private businesses my work rarely involved working directly with citizens. I own and live in a multi-family home in Oak Park and decisions regarding utilities (solid waste as well as others) affect me personally. I am looking forward to engaging more directly with the utilities planning activities for my city and bringing the expertise and experience I have gained from my work with the State to the City of Sacramento

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## Education

California Polytechnic State  
University: San Luis Obispo

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Institution Name:

Ecology and Systematic Biology:  
Wildlife Management

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Area of Study:

08/01 - 03/04

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

B.S.

Degree Earned:

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American River College

Institution Name:

Mathmatics and Physical Science

Area of Study:

05/00 - 05/01

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

A.S.

Degree Earned:

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Diablo Valley College

Institution Name:

Hospitality management

Area of Study:

09/96 - 05/98

Attended (mm/yy - mm/yy):

Certificate

Degree Earned

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## Employment

02/16 - Present

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

CalRecycle

Employer:

801 K St, Sacramento, CA

Address:

## Job Duties

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I am currently responsible for managing the work of 5 scientists working on topics related to state-wide solid waste management, recycling, and composting. We utilize statistical analysis tools and geospatial software to identify trends on a state-wide basis so that policy objectives can adjust with the changing landscape.

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09/10 - 02/16

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

CalRecycle

Employer:

1001 I St, Sacramento, CA

Address:

### Job Duties:

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Served as the state-wide used oil and household hazardous waste expert and provided technical assistance to local government program managers in the successful implementation of household hazardous waste and used oil collection programs. Engaged in complex and politically sensitive scientific analysis related to used oil and used tires, leading a series of public workshops and culminating in two reports to the California Legislature with policy recommendations.

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01/07 - 09/10

From (mm/yy) - To (mm/yy):

California Integrated Waste  
Management Board

Employer:

1001 I St

Address:

### Job Duties:

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Served as the state-wide paper and packaging material expert, performed complex scientific and statistical analysis in order to inform policy recommendations for the Board's consideration. Provided assistance to local government program managers and to private businesses. I also served on the research team investigating the potential use of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs as a mechanism to reduce waste management costs to Californians while increasing solid waste diversion. This effort has resulted in the statutory formation of three state-wide EPR programs; for paint, carpet, and mattresses.

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