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**CITY OF MORGAN HILL  
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO  
COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE**

City Clerk

(In order to be considered for appointment, this application form must be fully executed and all questions answered by applicant, including those who are Incumbents. If you prefer to type your answers on the form, an electronic version will be e-mailed to you upon request.)

Name: Ramesh S. Mantri \*E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

\*Home address: [REDACTED] \*City: Morgan Hill

\*Telephone: (Work) [REDACTED] (Home) [REDACTED]

Occupation: Software Engineer Employer: Adroit Resources (INTEL)

Number of Years lived within City Limits: 10.00 Are you a registered voter? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not a MH resident, years worked in City Limits:            -or-

Years lived within the MH School District boundary:           

Do you have any relatives currently employed by the City of Morgan Hill? Yes ☐ No ☒

Properties owned in Morgan Hill/Address(es):  
[REDACTED]

\*I consent to the release to the public of the above contact information marked with an \*: Yes ☒ No ☐

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

(Please attach additional sheets, as necessary, to provide complete answers)

1. Please attach a resumé, or briefly describe your background, listing the qualifications and skills, which you can contribute to the Commission.

Questionnaire answered on an attached document.

2. Have you served on any other citizen advisory commissions or committees? If so, please list and briefly explain the purpose of each committee.

3. What do you believe to be the role of the Commission, and why you would like to serve on this Commission?

4. What skills and experience do you believe would be important to your role as a Commissioner?

5. How would you know if the Commission is successful in supporting the City Council's Goals?

6. What would you like to accomplish as a member of the Commission?

7. What are the greatest opportunities facing the community in regards to this Commission?

8. If you are an incumbent seeking reappointment:

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| • Are you currently serving on a Committee?                      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • Are you next in line to serve as Chair or Vice-Chair?          | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • Are you assigned to a special project?                         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| • If assigned to a special project, please identify the project: |                              |  |

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Name of commission

9. I am interested in serving on the following Commission or Committee? Please indicate:

☒ **LIBRARY, CULTURAL AND ARTS COMMISSION**

The Library, Culture and Arts Commission provides the City Council with advice and recommendations regarding the adequacy of library facilities; seeks opportunities for city sponsored artistic and performance opportunities; encourages community involvement in the arts; and reviews and recommends works of art to be acquired by the City or installed on public property. This seven member Committee meets on the second Tuesday of odd numbered months at 7:00 p.m. at the Morgan Hill Library.

☒ **PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**

The Parks and Recreation Commission provides the City Council with advice and recommendations on recreation programs, activities and resources. The Commission also plans for the future growth and development of parks facilities and recreation programming. This seven member Commission meets on the third Tuesday of odd numbered months at 7:00 p.m.

☒ **PLANNING COMMISSION**

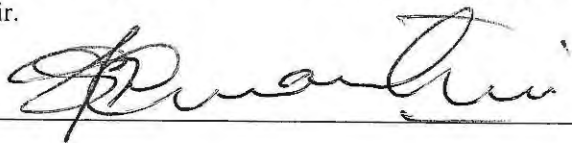
The Planning Commission performs duties and exercises power and authority with regard to planning, subdivisions, zoning, zoning administration, residential development control, and other land use regulatory controls as prescribed by ordinance and state law. The Commission serves as an advisory body to the City Council on Zoning and General Plan related matters. The Commission is a seven member body, and each commissioner serves a term of four years and meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month.

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By my signature below, I acknowledge that I will be subject to the City's Conflict of Interest Code; the City Council's requirement of a two hour "Fair Political Practices Commission ABI234 Ethics" training session, and the requirement to file Statements of Economic Interest forms with the City of Morgan Hill when I assume office, annually thereafter, and when leaving office.

By my signature below, I consent to comply with all government regulations, should I be appointed to serve on a City of Morgan Hill Commission or Committee, and confirm that I have read the attached Ethics Policy; that I do subscribe to this Policy; that I will apply it to the specific responsibilities which I may be assigned; and that I will practice the core values set forth in this Policy in my public service for the City of Morgan Hill. Additionally, I commit to attend and participate in all Commission and Committee meetings to which I am appointed, unless excused by the Chair.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "P. Mantini", written over a horizontal line.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Please attach a resumé, or briefly describe your background, listing the qualifications and skills, which you can contribute to the Commission.

I have a Master's in Computer Science from a University in India. I taught at another University in India for 3 years and worked in Software Development in the US for almost 20 years. My daughter attended Sobrato High School for 4 years. Morgan Hill is a nice small town. I would like to learn more about our town and give back a little to the community by serving on one of the commissions, preferably the Planning commission.

2. Have you served on any other citizen advisory commissions or committees? If so, please list and briefly explain the purpose of each committee.

NO. I didn't serve on any other citizen advisory commissions or committees.

3. What do you believe to be the role of the Commission, and why you would like to serve on this Commission?

The role of the Planning commission is to assist the City Council in its goals and to ensure that the city is an inhabitable place for its residents. This is our community and as residents we should strive to ensure that our city is developed in a planned manner with a vision towards its welfare and environmental future. I am interested in helping to the necessary extent if required and if possible.

4. What skills and experience do you believe would be important to your role as a Commissioner?

I have had a fair amount of experience in planning during my brief teaching career and a long software development career. A fair and reasonable ability to comprehend problems and attempt to provide solutions is something that could prove to be useful on the commission.

5. How would you know if the Commission is successful in supporting the City Council's Goals?

The board needs to periodically review the progress and ensure it is on the proper track.

6. What would you like to accomplish as a member of the Commission?

I view this as an opportunity to learn and serve our community. It is a collective and cooperative effort from all the members of the board and not so much an individual effort. The goal is to ensure proper planning and development of our city and provision of essential services to its residents.

7. What are the greatest opportunities facing the community in regards to this Commission?

There is a tremendous amount of opportunity for the Planning commission to make Morgan Hill an improved place. We need to create more decent paying jobs and affordable housing for the residents. Adequate health and social services must be provided. City development must be regulated so that the city isn't overcrowded and adequate agriculture and greenery is preserved. It is critical to preserve our Environment through renewable sources of energy. Several residents commute to the Bay area. It is important to provide adequate incentive to use public transportation which helps reduce carbon emissions and also reduce congestion on highways. Most important of all is adequate and affordable schools for the community. Affordable Education is critical to ensure that the Youth have necessary learning as well as skills necessary to train them for professions of their choice. Equally important is to ensure the teachers are adequately rewarded for their efforts and not afraid of losing their employment. We must also ensure that our drinking water is safe and healthy for consumption.