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BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY 2024

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY

Please type or print clearly.

Name: Raymond Ojeda Date: 6-06-2024

Position Applying For: **Union Sanitary District Board Director, Ward 3 (see Ward map)**

Are you a registered voter? Yes No Board Clerk will verify voter registration.

Are you a resident of Ward 3? Yes No How long have you lived in Ward 3? 1969

NOTE: This application is a public record and will be included with the applicable Board of Directors materials, posted on the District's website, and made available to the press and public. Personal data will be redacted.

This application is to fill an unscheduled vacancy on the Union Sanitary District Board of Directors. The term of this seat is from the date of appointment until results of the 2026 Primary Election have been certified. Only Ward 3 registered voters who have submitted a complete application packet by the deadline will be considered for appointment.

When submitting please include: Application Responses to Questionnaire

Please email completed application packets to reginam@unionsanitary.ca.gov
or mail to: Board Clerk, Union Sanitary District, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, CA 94587

A COMPLETED AND SIGNED APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE BOARD CLERK BY:

MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2024, at 5:00 PM

BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE UNION SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Private Versus Public: Becoming a candidate for public office means that information about you will become a matter of public record immediately. With a few exceptions, this includes any and all documents submitted to the District during the course of the application period. As such, these documents must, by law, be available to the public for inspection and/or copying. Redacted copies of submitted applications will be available on the District website.

Interview Process: Interviews will be scheduled for Special Board meeting(s), dates to be determined. The District Board must make an appointment by July 15, 2024, or choose to call a special election.

Term of Office for this Unscheduled Vacancy: The term of this seat will be from the day of appointment until results of the 2026 Primary Election have been certified.

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PERSONAL DATA			
Name: <i>Raymond Ojeda</i>			
Home Phone: [REDACTED]		Cell Phone: [REDACTED]	
Email Address: [REDACTED]			
Address: [REDACTED]		City: <i>Fremont</i>	State: <i>CA</i>
			Zip: [REDACTED]

Union Sanitary District Board of Directors

The Union Sanitary District Board of Directors is made up of five members of the community elected by ward in Newark, Union City, and Fremont. Each Director position has a term of four years. Board elections are held biannually with the Primary Election of even numbered years, with the number of open seats being filled alternating between two and three. Board members receive compensation at the rate of \$218.99 per day of service for a maximum of six days per month as well as medical, dental, and vision benefits.

Duties:

- Attend Board of Directors meetings.
- Attend special meetings, workshops, committee meetings, and other meetings as scheduled.
- Actively participate and serve on various outside agencies, committees, and commissions.
- Board Members are required, by law, to complete and file a Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) [Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests](#) disclosing various financial interests.

Meetings:

Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Union Sanitary District Administrative Offices Boardroom, 5072 Benson Road, Union City, California.

More information about the Union Sanitary District Board of Directors can be found on the Union Sanitary District [website](#).

Please indicate your availability for interviews to be held the following dates:

- Tuesday, June 25, 2024, beginning at 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 27, 2024, beginning at 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 8, 2024, beginning at 4:00 p.m. (if necessary)

Civic service is a privilege and responsibility of our citizens. The value and importance of the participation of our citizens cannot be measured. Your interest in serving on the Union Sanitary District Board of Directors is greatly appreciated.

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Please answer the following questions and attach your responses to your application.

1. Please provide a Statement of Qualifications (250 word maximum).
2. What are the key issues you see facing the District and the communities we serve? Why do you think these are the key issues and what might be the solutions?
3. What is your vision for Union Sanitary District and how would you like it to look in 10 years?
4. Have you ever held a public office? If yes, name the office title, dates of service and describe the duties.
5. Please describe your qualifications, education, and work experience/training that you believe would be relevant in your role as a Board member.
6. What has your previous involvement with the Union Sanitary District been? Please include any service organizations or community engagement you have participated in and what your role was.
7. The Board of Directors regularly meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 4:00 p.m. and has additional special meetings, committee meetings, and workshops. Board members also serve on a number of external committees for outside agency boards. Please describe any time constraints or limitations/obligations that might limit your availability for special meetings or community events.
8. Are you aware of the time commitment and the responsibilities associated with serving as a Board member and are you prepared to serve without reservation? Yes No
9. Is there anything else you would like to share with the Board?

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete. I legally reside in Union Sanitary District, Ward 3. I am 18 years of age or older and a registered voter. In compliance with State law, I understand that I will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interests upon appointment to office and annually thereafter. I understand that my application and materials will be considered a public record and thus will be available for public inspection and copying.


Applicant's Signature


Date

Date: June 06, 2024
From: Raymond Ojeda
Occupation: Industrial manufacturing, Probation Officer

Candidate for Board of Directors Appointment

My education and qualifications are: Bachelor of Science Degree from Cal-State Hayward. Graduate/Summer Institute of Public Policy Cal-Berkeley.

My knowledge and experience gained by working with Kaiser Aluminum Can Company, previously located in Union City, CA., includes recycling and filtering waste water, contaminated by industrial manufacturing.

I have been an active member of the Fremont Elks Lodge and an elected officer of the Fremont Freemason's Lodge #167.

My duties, as an officer of the Freemason's lodge, have been to work with other officers, in managing the budget, the business, and maintenance operations of the lodge.

Working in the Criminal Justice system for 22 years has given me insights and understanding of working within a diverse community.

In the next 10 years, as the Bay Area population continues to expand, bigger demands will impact our limited water supply, and waste water facilities.

It is imperative, that the Union Sanitary District, explore new methods, and technologies that will allow the district to reclaim waste water, for alternative uses, in the future.

Artificial Intelligence may provide the Union Sanitary District with new ways of solving old problems.

The future looks bright, and it is my hope, that this Board of Directors will consider my application, and appointment, to this vacant position.

Respectfully,

Raymond Ojeda