

Giselle Hale, Mayor  
Diana Reddy, Vice Mayor  
Alicia C. Aguirre, Council Member  
Lissette Espinoza-Garnica,  
Council Member  
Jeff Gee, Council Member  
Diane Howard, Council Member  
Michael A. Smith, Council Member



MEETING LOCATION  
CITY OF REDWOOD CITY  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1017 Middlefield Road  
Redwood City, CA 94063  
[www.redwoodcity.org](http://www.redwoodcity.org)

**CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Wednesday, June 15, 2022  
6:00 PM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Vice Mayor Reddy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Council Members Aguirre, Gee, Howard, Smith and Vice Mayor Reddy were present. Council Member Espinoza-Garnica and Mayor Hale were absent.

Staff present: City Clerk Pamela Aguilar

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following members of the public spoke:

- Pat W.

4. **INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

- **City Council interviewed Arts Commission applicants for appointment to 3 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.**
  - 3 applicants:
    - Elise Dimick
    - Jason Newblanc
    - Allison Trinklein
- **City Council interviewed Board of Building Review applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.**
  - 5 applicants:
    - Mike Kastrop
    - Cliff Keith
    - Joanne Kurz
    - Jeff Missad
    - Victor Torreano
- **City Council interviewed Library Board applicants for appointment to 3 full-term seats that will expire June 30, 2026, and 1 partial term seat that will expire on June 30, 2024.**
  - 4 applicants:

- Anne Callery
  - Michelle Ocampo
  - Carson Rietveld
  - Lindsie Verma
- **City Council interviewed Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission applicants for appointment to 4 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.**
  - 4 applicants:
    - Paul Demers
    - Charlene Floyd-Blackmond
    - William Hawley
    - Alice Kaufman
- **City Council interviewed Planning Commission applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on June 30, 2026.**
  - 4 applicants:
    - Adrian Brandt
    - Mike Dunham
    - Aashish Karkhanis
    - Chris Sturken
- **City Council interviewed Police Advisory Committee applicants for appointment to 1 partial term seat that will expire on May 31, 2023, and 1 partial term seat that will expire on May 31, 2025.**
  - 2 applicants:
    - Darren Kelley
    - Michael Solorio
- **City Council interviewed Port Commission applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on July 31, 2026.**
  - 4 applicants:
    - Simms Duncan
    - Alistair Jeffs
    - Stanton Maupin
    - Nancy Radcliffe
- **City Council interviewed Senior Affairs Commission applicants for appointment to 3 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.**
  - 5 applicants:
    - Jaqueline Hartman
    - Michael Lynch
    - Timothy Puri
    - Alisa Tu
    - Michael Villanueva

- **City Council interviewed applicants for appointment to various Boards, Commissions and Committees (these applicants have applied to multiple bodies)**
  - 7 applicants:
    - Jennifer Akiona (*Library Board, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, Police Advisory Committee*)
    - Elise DeBuysser (*Library Board, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission*)
    - Amber Garza (*Arts Commission, Library Board*)
    - Sue Nix (*Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, Police Advisory Committee*)
    - Benjamin Serio (*Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, Planning Commission*)
    - Alexa Sol (*Arts Commission, Planning Commission*)
    - Daniel Torunian (*Planning Commission, Police Advisory Committee*)

5. **ADJOURNMENT** – Vice Mayor Reddy adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.



**CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
(BCC Interviews)**

**June 15, 2022  
6:00 PM**



# CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

6:00 p.m.



**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**



### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may comment on any items on the agenda at this time.



## IN-PERSON PUBLIC COMMENT

### HOW TO PROVIDE LIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS IN-PERSON AT REDWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

**1** Meetings take place in the **Council Chambers at City Hall, 1017 Middlefield Road**



**2** Seating capacity will be limited to maintain social distancing to protect health and safety



**3** Masks will be strongly encouraged for all in-person attendees



**4** Fill out a Speaker Card (please include Agenda Item # you wish to speak on)



**5** Place the completed card in the tray in front of the City Clerk



**6** Listen for the item you would like to comment on



**7** Wait to be announced by your name and provide remarks at the podium



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## ZOOM

### HOW TO PROVIDE LIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS BY ZOOM AT REDWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 1** You may join the Zoom meeting by visiting [redwoodcity.zoom.us](https://redwoodcity.zoom.us) 
- 2** Select "Join" and enter the Meeting ID 994 8182 5639 
- 3** Listen for the item you would like to comment on 
- 4** Use the Raise Hand feature to request to speak. You may rename your profile if you wish to remain anonymous. 
- 5** Wait to be announced by your name and then unmute to speak 

## DIAL-IN

### HOW TO PROVIDE LIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS BY PHONE AT REDWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 1** Listen for the agenda item you would like to comment on 
- 2** Dial-in number, call \*67 (669) 900-6833 and enter Meeting ID 994 8182 5639 
- 3** Raise your hand by pressing \*9 
- 4** Wait to be announced by the last four digits of your phone number and then unmute by pressing \*6 



## 4. INTERVIEWS FOR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

- City Council will interview **Arts Commission** applicants for appointment to 3 full term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.
- City Council will interview **Board of Building Review** applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.
- City Council will interview **Library Board** applicants for appointment to 3 full-term seats that will expire June 30, 2026, and 1 partial term seat that will expire on June 30, 2024.
- City Council will interview **Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission** applicants for appointment to 4 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026.
- City Council will interview **Planning Commission** applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on June 30, 2026.
- City Council will interview **Police Advisory Committee** applicants for appointment to 1 partial term seat that will expire on May 31, 2023, and 1 partial term seat that will expire on May 31, 2025.
- City Council will interview **Port Commission** applicants for appointment to 2 full-term seats that will expire on July 31, 2026.
- City Council will interview **Senior Affairs Commission** applicants for appointment to 3 full-term seats that will expire on May 31, 2026 and one partial term seat that will expire May 31, 2024.
- City Council will interview applicants for appointment to **various Boards, Commissions and Committees** (these applicants have applied to multiple bodies)



# Arts Commission

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) What would you recommend to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion through art throughout the city?**
- (3) What is your vision for arts and culture in Redwood City?**

# Board of Building Review

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) Explain to the panel what you believe your service would bring to the Board of Building Review.**
- (3) What is the most exciting project / initiative of the Board of Building Review?**

# Library Board

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) What are some ideas you have for ways that the Redwood City Public Library can achieve greater equity and inclusion through Library services?**
- (3) What is the most exciting project / initiative of the Library Board?**

# Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) What ways would you advocate and advise staff to encourage park and program equity throughout the City?**
- (3) What are ways you would suggest to engage neighborhood associations to support parks and programs?**

# Planning Commission

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) Explain to the panel what you believe your service would bring to the Planning Commission.**
- (3) As Planning Commissioner, you will have a role in implementing the City's Strategic Priority of increasing Housing, especially affordable housing. What are some ideas you have for ways that the Planning Commission can achieve this priority?**



# Police Advisory Committee

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) Share your lived experience/association with members of the police force or police department.**
- (3) Disagreement is uncomfortable for most people, but necessary to raise and work through when a difficult decision must be made. Briefly describe a time when you have disagreed with someone about an important project or goal. Which qualities of yours helped you stay engaged and respectful throughout the disagreement?**

# Port Commission

## Interview Questions



- (1) What is your understanding of the role of the Port of Redwood City in our community/region?**
- (2) If appointed, what are your goals as a Port Commissioner, and what would your responsibilities be as a Commissioner (verses the role of the Port Director)?**
- (3) The Port is a true intermodal agency. How can the Port improve its regional significance in attracting greater financial resources from federal, state or regional sources?**

# Senior Affairs Commission

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.
- (2) Explain to the panel what you believe your service would bring to the Senior Affairs Commission.
- (3) What is the most exciting project / initiative of the Senior Affairs Commission?

# Candidates who applied for multiple BCCs

## Interview Questions



- (1) Briefly introduce yourself to the City Council.**
- (2) As you are interested in being considered for more than one Board, Commission or Committee, please describe your interests, experience or qualifications specific to each body.**
- (3) What are the most exciting projects / initiatives of the BCCs you are applying for?**



## NEXT STEPS:

- ✓ **City Council appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees – June 27 City Council Meeting**
- ✓ **Swearing-in of newly appointed BCC Members – July 25 City Council meeting**

**THANK YOU!**





## 5. ADJOURNMENT

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for  
June 27, 2022

## MGR-Crystal Tuifua

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**From:** Glenn Babbitt <glenn.babbitt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 12, 2022 4:56 PM  
**To:** GRP-City Council  
**Subject:** Public comment, Item 4, City Council Special Meeting 6/15/2022

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Dear members of the City Council,

As a resident of Redwood City, I am writing to express my support of the following candidates for city commissions:

Arts Commission - Jason Newblanc  
Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission - Paul Demers  
Port Commission - Nancy Radcliffe

Their experience is priceless, and their commitment to our community is proven. Please give them your careful consideration.

Thank you,  
Glenn Babbitt

**From:** [Doug Heintz](#)  
**To:** [GRP-City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to placing Adrian Brandt on Planning Commission  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 14, 2022 6:22:31 PM

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Redwood City Council:

I'm writing to the Redwood City Council to object to placing Adrian Brandt on the Planning Commission.

Mr. Brandt is an active member of a group named Redwood City Forward. Current Planning Commission member Isabella Chu founded Redwood City Forward. They have a Facebook group, but their website has been taken down (the site is archived here: <https://web.archive.org/web/20210514122208/https://www.redwoodcityforward.com/about>).

My primary objection is that two members of the same small organization with an agenda will create a de facto voting bloc. The Planning Commission has only seven members. Two members exercising the same ideology will lead to a lack of diversity and the voices that Redwood City needs.

The reason I'm familiar with Mr. Brandt and Ms. Chu is that I briefly joined their Facebook group about four years ago. I thought that the group would be a good way to get involved while our city was experiencing explosive building growth. What I didn't realize is that their group had a set of beliefs that was non-negotiable. In my first interaction I made the suggestion that developments in consideration should provide enough parking to match the number of units. For this I received so much vitriol from Mr. Brandt and Ms. Chu that I had to unjoin the group. The gist I instantly learned was that anyone who disagreed with their vision was a problem.

This is not a personal issue, I have never met Mr. Brandt. But I strongly feel that members of the same organization who have met and discussed their ideology and agenda for years will bring that to the Commission and the future and fate of Redwood City.

Thank you for your time.

-Doug Heintz  
Redwood City

(I am happy to supply my contact information separately as long as it will not be a part of the public record.)