



FW: Commissions Appointment Application - from Abel Sanchez

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To Irwin Ortiz <irwin.ortiz@watsonville.gov>

Good morning – please see the application below to the WWWPA Citizen’s Oversight Advisory Board.

Thank you,
Jesseka



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Appointment to a County Advisory Body

Commission, Committee, or Board:

WWWPA Citizen’s Oversight Advisory Board (aka Measure Q)

If applicable, please indicate the seat or category of representation for which you are seeking appointment:

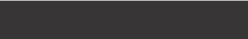
City of Watsonville

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Abel Sanchez

Street:



City:

Watsonville

State:

CA

Zip Code:

95076

Email Address:

[Redacted]

Phone:

[Redacted]

Preferred Correspondence:

Email

Supervisory District:

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Do you currently hold elected office?

Yes

CURRENT/PREVIOUS COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE SERVICE

List your current or previous service on any advisory bodies and state where you served. Previous service is not required.

Advisory Body	Region/County	Term
Measure R - Community Investment Committee	City of Watsonville	July 2023 - Present
Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency	Director - City of Watsonville	August 2021 - November 2024
Parks and Community Service Commissioner	City of Watsonville	January 2019 - January 2023

EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING

Include any education and/or training related to the advisory body for which you are applying for. This is optional information but beneficial.

Institution/Program	Major/Field	Degree/Certificate	Year
University of California, Davis	Agriculture	BS	2011

Please select all fields in which you have relevant, demonstrable expertise:

Water quality, water supply, or flood management, Working lands or agriculture, Environmental justice, park equity, or public health, Financial and/or program analysis

WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Include your current or most recent employer as well as any previous employment, volunteer, and community activities you've participated in which are related to the advisory body for which you are applying for.

Organization	Address	Position	Years
Tradin Organic	15A Parade Street, Aptos, CA 95003	Product Innovation Manager	9

STATEMENT OF INTEREST/QUALIFICATIONS

Complete a brief statement indicating why you are interested in serving on the advisory body in question and why you are qualified through personal, lived, and/or professional experience(s) for the appointment. What do you hope to contribute or gain from your participation in the commission?

I am interested in serving on the Measure Q oversight committee due to my experience in water management and public service. My background as a board member of PVWMA has provided me with valuable insights into the complexities of water resource management and conservation. Additionally, my service on Watsonville's parks and community service commission has given me a unique perspective on the intersection of environmental protection and public amenities.

My qualifications for this appointment stem from both my professional experience and personal commitment to environmental stewardship. As a board member of a water management agency, I have developed a comprehensive understanding of water quality issues, distribution systems, and conservation strategies. This knowledge is directly applicable to the oversight of initiatives aimed at maintaining safe drinking water and clean beaches.

Furthermore, my experience on the parks and community service commission for the City of Watsonville has honed my skills in balancing public interests with environmental conservation, which is crucial for the wildfire risk reduction and wildlife protection aspects of this initiative. I am well-versed in collaborating with diverse stakeholders and making informed decisions that benefit both the community and the environment.

By participating in this commission, I hope to contribute my expertise to ensure the effective implementation of the tax measure. I aim to provide rigorous oversight and strategic guidance to maximize the impact of the funds allocated for these critical initiatives. Additionally, I look forward to gaining a deeper understanding of the interconnected challenges facing our water resources, beaches, forests, and wildlife, and working collaboratively to develop innovative solutions.

Please upload your CV or resume:

REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS

Please identify any reasonable accommodations needed for equal participation. This information is not a consideration nor a factor in any possible appointment and is used only for planning and technology purposes.

n/a

COMMISSIONS POLICY ORDINANCE OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Please review Santa Cruz County Code (SCCC) Chapter 2.38, also known as the “Commissions Policy Ordinance of Santa Cruz County” available at <https://www.codepublishing.com/CA/SantaCruzCounty/> which applies to any advisory board, commission, committee or department advisory group over which the County has appointing authority or jurisdiction.

In accordance with SCCC Chapter 2.38 and Santa Cruz County Conflict of Interest Code, I agree to:

Initials: **ASV** Attend meetings regularly and devote the time necessary to fulfill my duties as a member

Initials: **ASV** Comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act and California Public Records Act

Initials: **ASV** If required under state and local conflict of interest laws, file a public statement (Form 700) disclosing certain types of economic information

CERTIFICATION

By checking this box and entering the date and my initials, I certify that the above information is true and correct and authorize the verification of the information in the application in the event I am a finalist for the appointment.

Certified

Date: 2025-03-10

Initials:ASV