



Cathedral City

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**CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY
COMMISSION/BOARD/COMMITTEE APPLICATION**

Commission/Board/Committee
on which you would like to serve: Planning Commission

(One Application for each Commission/Board/Committee)

NAME: Danielle Mead

HOME ADDRESS:



(Applicants must be a Registered Voter in Cathedral City)

HOME PHONE:



CELL PHONE:



E-mail ADDRESS:



LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN CATHEDRAL CITY: 3 years

IF EMPLOYED, PLEASE LIST WHERE YOU WORK AND POSITION YOU HOLD:

Self-employed web designer and consultant



PLEASE ATTACH A LETTER OF INTEREST INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

- Why you wish to be considered for appointment to the Commission/Board/Committee
- Your relevant experience and knowledge

The information provided will be used by the City Council as part of the application process and will be considered by the City Council upon receipt, provided a vacancy exists on the Board, Commission or Committee for which you have applied. If there is no vacancy, your application will be kept on file for one year for consideration should an opening occur.

Please keep in mind that State Law requires specific Commission/Board/Committee members to file a Financial Disclosure Statement.

Please return application to: City of Cathedral City
Office of the City Clerk
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234

Submit by email to: tmartinez@cathedralcity.gov

Thank you for your willingness to serve your local government and community.

I am writing to express my strong interest in serving on the Cathedral City Planning Commission. Since moving to Cathedral City three years ago from Los Angeles, I have enjoyed becoming an active member of our community. I have taken many opportunities to learn, build relationships, and get involved, from commenting at City Council meetings to attending the 2022 Strategic Planning Session. I knocked on doors in support of Measure K, volunteered with cleanup efforts on Horizon Road after Hurricane Hilary, and helped repaint the rainbow street crossing near City Hall.

Over the past year, I have served on the Historic Preservation Committee. During this time, we worked with the City Planning Department to refine the Historic Preservation Application form and recommended approval of the city's first historically designated property. It has been an honor and a pleasure to be part of a committee that will help preserve and protect Cathedral City's history.

I am equally passionate about Cathedral City's future, which is why I am applying to become a member of the City Planning Commission. My interest in city planning began in 2016 when I was elected Transportation Chair of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council (HHWNC) in Los Angeles. HHWNC represented approximately 48,000 stakeholders, including residents, property owners, and businesses. As Transportation Chair, and later as Infrastructure Chair, I served on the Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUM).

The PLUM Committee reviewed and advised on a variety of projects, including new and renewing liquor licenses, apartment projects, hotel projects, and mixed-use developments. I frequently visited project sites to assess traffic patterns, setbacks, the height and density of nearby structures, and neighborhood character. I dedicated significant time to reading and fact-checking Draft Environmental Impact Reports (DEIRs) and Mitigating Negative Declarations (MNDs). Collaborating with city council offices, agencies, residents, business owners, and developers, I ensured that proposed projects were the best possible fit for the community.

Since moving here with my husband in 2021, I have learned so much about Cathedral City's goals and objectives for the future. I am excited about the opportunity to apply my experience in urban planning and land use to the Planning Commission, and am committed to working towards the city's sustainable and prosperous future.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Regards,
Danielle Mead