

URBAN FORESTRY COUNCIL

The below listed summary of seats, term expirations and membership information shall serve as notice of **vacancies, upcoming term expirations** and information on currently held seats, appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Appointments by other bodies are listed, if available. Seat numbers listed in **bold** are open for immediate appointment. However, you are able to submit applications for all seats and your application will be maintained for one year, in the event that an unexpected vacancy or opening occurs.

Membership and Seat Qualifications

Seat #	Appointing Authority	Seat Holder	Term Ending	Qualification
1	BOS	Morgan Vaisset-Fauvel	11/18/22	Must represent an educational organization involved with tree management (University of California Cooperative Extension, etc.)
2	BOS	Andrew Sullivan	11/18/20	Must be certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects)
3	BOS	Pamela Nagle	11/18/22	Must be certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects)
4	BOS	VACANT	11/18/22	Must be a member of a non-profit organization involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues
5	BOS	Ildiko Polony	11/18/22	Must be a member of a non-profit organization involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues
6	BOS	Michael Sullivan	11/18/22	Must be a representative of the community

7	BOS	Edgar Xochitl Flores	11/18/22	Must be a representative of the community
	Mayor	Jillian Keller	11/14/21	Member from the tree care industry appointed by the Mayor
	Mayor	Igor Lacan	1/16/17	Member at large appointed by the Mayor.
	Public Works	Nicholas Crawford	11/18/21	Director of the Department of Public Work or their designee
	Planning Department	Oscar Hernandez-Gomez	2/4/22	Director of the Planning Department or their designee
	Recreation and Parks	Spencer Potter	9/23/23	General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department or their designee
	PUC	Damon Spigelman	5/27/19	Appointed by the Public Utilities Commission
	GGNRA/Presidio Trust	Lew Stringer	8/20/23	Appointed by the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) (if GGNRA does not make an appointment within 60 days after the seat is vacant, the Presidio Trust may appoint a voting member to serve that term; if the Presidio Trust does not make an appointment within 30 days after it is authorized to do so, the Mayor shall appoint an at-large member to fill the seat)
	Port	Tai Trang	4/28/23	Appointed by the Port of SF

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (BOS) APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE HERE

- English - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application.pdf
- 中文 - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_CHI.pdf
- Español - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_SPA.pdf
- Filipino - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_FIL.pdf

(For seats appointed by other Authorities please contact the Board / Commission / Committee / Task Force (see below) or the appointing authority directly.)

Please Note: Depending upon the posting date, a vacancy may have already been filled. To determine if a vacancy for this Commission is still available, or if you require additional information, please call the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-5184.

Applications and other documents may be submitted to BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org

Next Steps: Applicants who meet minimum qualifications will be contacted by the Rules Committee Clerk once the Rules Committee Chair determines the date of the hearing. Members of the Rules Committee will consider the appointment(s) at the meeting and applicant(s) may be asked to state their qualifications. The appointment of the individual(s) who is recommended by the Rules Committee will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

The Urban Forestry Council protects the community interest and ensures that San Francisco realizes the full range of tree benefits into the future. Council members will represent the full range of urban forest stakeholders, including City agencies, non-profit organizations, tree management organizations, and community members.

The Urban Forestry Council shall be comprised of fifteen (15) voting members, seven (7) of whom are appointed by the Board of Supervisors, as follows:

- One (1) member from an educational organization involved with tree management (University of California Cooperative Extension, etc.);
- Two (2) members certified by a professional tree management organization (International Society of Arboriculture, American Society of Consulting Arborists, or American Society of Landscape Architects);
- Two (2) members of non-profit organizations involved in urban forestry or other environmentally-related issues; and
- Two (2) members from the community.

The Mayor shall appoint two (2) voting members, as follows:

- One (1) member from the tree care industry; and
- One (1) member at large.

The following Director or General Manager of each of the following departments, or his/her designee, shall each serve as a voting member:

- Director of the Department of Public Works (1);
- Director of the Planning Department (1); and
- General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department (1).

The following bodies shall also appoint a voting member:

- Public Utilities Commission (1);

- Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) (if GGNRA does not make an appointment within 60 days after the seat is vacant, the Presidio Trust may appoint a voting member to serve that term; if the Presidio Trust does not make an appointment within 30 days after it is authorized to do so, the Mayor shall appoint an at-large member to fill the seat) (1); and
- Port of San Francisco (1).

Members shall serve for two-year terms and can serve successive terms if reappointed by the authority that originally appointed the member. The appointing authority that appoints Council members also may appoint at-large members to serve any unfilled Council positions.

The Council shall meet at least six times per year and establish its own operating procedures, which at a minimum, shall meet the public notice, meeting, voting, agenda and other procedural requirements set forth in local law. Subcommittees shall be created to adequately address other special areas of concern on an as needed basis.

The Department of the Environment, with adequate funding to assist the Council in carrying out its mission, shall provide professional and administrative staff to the Council.

Reports: The Council shall report to the Board of Supervisors and Mayor by September 1st each year regarding the state of the urban forest. The report shall contain a review of the quality of urban forest stewardship and an assessment of how well public agencies and other urban forest managers are implementing the Urban Forest Plan.

Authority: Environment Code, Chapter 12 (Ordinance Nos. 171-03; 210-08; and 239-14), and Public Works Code, Section 803 (Ordinance No. 165-95; and 17-06)

Sunset Date: None

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