

Profile

Email Address

Robert

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Oakes

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Street Address

Stockton

CA

City

State

Postal Code

Ethnicity

Gender

What district do you live in? *

☒ District 4

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

The City of Stockton uses email as the preferred method of communication regarding your application. Is this acceptable to you?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Employer

Job Title

Occupation

Employer Address

Are you currently serving on a City of Stockton Board, Commission, or Committee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list

n/a

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Planning Commission: Submitted

Question applies to multiple boards

NOTE: This Board requires membership with one of the following groups. If none, please remove board from your application. Are you knowledgeable, have experience in, or extensive background in any of the following areas? Select all that apply. *

- ☒ Active in community activities significant enough to confirm knowledge of issues and individuals within the community
- ☒ Possess decision-making abilities
- ☒ Understanding of Ethnic/Gender Diversity
- ☒ Willingness to tolerate/promote change

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

My family is originally from Escalon. Growing up, three of my aunts and their families lived in Stockton. We visited often and I have very fond memories. I attended the University of the Pacific, earning a business administration degree before attending McGeorge School of Law. I have spent my career working in public. policy or for/with non-profit entities. I have lived in Stockton since 2016. I have worked with Dan Cort when he was alive and working on improving downtown. I have also donated time to the Downtown Stockton Alliance, STAND Affordable Housing, and the Humphrey Drivon School of Law Small Claims Clinic I have served on the boards of The Write Place, HATCH Workshop, and Stocktonia News Service. I have provided reduced-fee services to the Central Valley Asian Chamber of Commerce and the Yosemite Village Neighborhood Association. I believe that communities only thrive when local residents get involved and work to make the place the best it can be. I am a graduate of Leadership Stockton, class of 2019.

Please state the reason you would like to be a member of this board/commission.

I moved back here in 2016, after having purchased an older home that I restored. Stockton's neighborhoods and its downtown has a lot of potential. I have a background in law, local and state government, non-profit management, and experience with community development, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization. My experience and interest will enable me to be a thoughtful and fair representative on the Planning Commission.

Robert E Oakes

Have you served on an advisory group before?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain.

I have not served on any city-sponsored advisory panels in Stockton.

How did you hear about the position?

I spoke with the district's newly elected council member shortly after the election and expressed an interest. I was informed that he had already appointed someone. He reached out the other day to let me know that his original appointee needs to step down and asked me if I was still interested. I assured him I am.

City Council Policy 3.03 states that Commissioners are required to attend meetings on a regular basis. If appointed, will you be able to attend meetings regularly and devote the time necessary to fulfill your duties as a member?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Do you or immediate family members have any relationship (professional, financial, other) that may present a potential conflict of interest for this advisory group?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain

No

Background Information

[Upload a Resume](#)

Based on your best judgment, does this Commission make decisions that may affect any sources of income, interests in real property, or investments of you or your spouse?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Voter Registration (Questions appear if required)

Submit Application

Please identify any specialized accommodations needed for equal participation:

n/a

Enter Your Initials:

REO

Date Signed

October 29, 2025