

City of Petaluma, California

General Plan Advisory Committee Application

City Clerk's Office

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2023-2024 General Plan Advisory Committee Application Information

The City of Petaluma is in the process of updating the General Plan, a foundational document for City Council decision making and land use regulations. In order to ensure that Petaluma's long-term vision for the future is aligned with the values of the community, we are working to make this process an inclusive and engaging process that welcomes everyone to participate.

One part of that community involvement is the General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC), which works collaboratively with the selected consultant and staff to serve as community advisors and project ambassadors throughout the General Plan process. The GPAC is comprised of 21 residents appointed by the City Council and represents the diversity of the Petaluma community. The GPAC meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month. The GPAC was convened in 2021, with members welcomed to serve through the process of developing the General Plan. The General Plan is anticipated to be completed in early 2024.

We welcome applications to fill current vacancies for GPAC appointment from all interested Petaluma residents. Please complete and return the attached application for consideration. This is a volunteer position, and GPAC members are expected to attend meetings, review General Plan-related material, and be active throughout the duration of the planning process.

The City is looking for a representative group of community members who can offer diverse perspectives and expertise on the General Plan. GPAC members should:

- Be a Petaluma resident who lives within City limits (***Note: City Council may elect to also select applicants from unincorporated Petaluma to serve as members of the GPAC)
- Commit to the time needed to carry out the duties as a GPAC member, including learning about General Plan issues, attending committee meetings, and reviewing/completing committee assignments
- Demonstrate an interest in the General Plan and be committed to advancing the needs of the community
- Be committed and able to collaborate with others to reach consensus
- Understand the local community and its cultural and social needs
- Be open-minded and respectful

Applications to be a member of the GPAC will close on January 16, 2023.

Thank you for your interest in serving on the GPAC. We look forward to continuing a robust community discussion as part of the General Plan Update, both as part of the GPAC and through ongoing community engagement throughout the process.



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Instructions: Use this form to apply to serve on the General Plan Advisory Committee. Please fill out the form completely. If a question does not apply, type or write N/A in the space provided.

When completed, please e-mail to the City Clerk at <u>cityclerk@cityofpetaluma.org</u> with the subject line "GPAC Application." If e-mail is unavailable, please mail application to the City Clerk's Office: City of Petaluma, 11 English Street, Petaluma, CA 94952.

All applications are reviewed by the City Council. If you have questions about this form, please call the City Clerk's Office at 707.778.4360 or e-mail <u>cityclerk@cityofpetaluma.org</u>.

First Name:	Last Name:		
Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone:	Email:		
(This number will <u>not</u> be available to the public.)	(This address will <u>not</u> be available to the public.)		
Do you live within the Petaluma City limits	? Yes	No	
***If you marked "NO" above:			
Do you live within unincorporated Petaluma <u>a</u>	<u>nd</u> have a Petalu	uma Address? Yes No	
Present Employer and Job Title:			
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Please note any Governmental Bodies yo	u have been ei	lected or appointed to:	

Please describe your educational and professional experience, as relevant, and describe how your experience will benefit this effort:

What Special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to this Committee?

Why are you excited to be a member of the General Plan Advisory Committee? Are there specific
objectives you would like to work towards as a member of the GPAC? Do you currently or have you
in the past participated in the City of Petaluma's General Plan process?

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful to the City Council in reviewing your application?

How did you hear about this opening?		
Applicant's Signature (Written or Typed)	Date	