
Profile

Daniel

First Name

Suchman

Last Name

Middle Initial

Suite or Apt

Goleta

City

CA

State

93117

Postal Code

Retired

Employer

Retired

Job Title

Engineer and Program
Manager

Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Library Board of Trustees of the City of Goleta: Submitted

Question applies to multiple boards

Do you reside in the City of Goleta?

Yes No

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Yes No

Question applies to multiple boards

If your answer is yes, please specify.

Question applies to multiple boards

Board Members/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

Question applies to multiple boards

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

Yes No

Question applies to multiple boards

If yes, please explain.

Not applicable

Interests & Experiences

Question applies to Library Board of Trustees of the City of Goleta

Why are you interested in serving on the Library Board of Trustees of the City of Goleta?

I want to explore ways in which the overall library experience can be improved through cooperative arrangements with other libraries and greater use of electronics and the internet.

Question applies to multiple boards

Describe your qualifications, experience, and education, and list any technical or professional requirements you have relative to the duties of the board, commission or committee to which you are applying.

See attached resume.

Question applies to Library Board of Trustees of the City of Goleta

Please describe your goals and priorities for the Goleta Library.

Improved service level achieved through higher degree of cooperation with other libraries and more complete adoption of technology.

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What civic and/or volunteer activities have you participated in? You may include past or present activities.

County Grand Jury 2014-2016 Director, Embarcadero Municipal Improvement District Volunteer Math Tutor, Dos Pueblos HS

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Have you obtained any memberships in professional organizations?

No

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Upload a Resume

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How did you hear about the position?

A friend forwarded your recruitment email.

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Have you attended meeting(s) or viewed meetings on the City's website (<http://www.cityofgoleta.org/i-want-to/news-and-updates/government-meeting-agendas-and-videos>) for the board, commission, or committee for which you are applying?

Yes No

Demographics

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All Demographic information is optional.

Ethnicity

Question applies to multiple boards

Please Agree with the Following Statement

File a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700)

I Agree

Question applies to multiple boards

Please Agree with the Following Statement

Completion of the Code of Ethics and AB1234 Ethics Training:

I Agree

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NOTES

ALL INFORMATION , EXCEPT PERSONAL DATA ENTERED IN THE PROFILE SECTION, IS PUBLIC AND AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AND ON THE CITY'S WEBPAGE.

After an application has been submitted, a confirmation page will be displayed. If an email address has been provided, an email confirmation will be sent. IF A CONFIRMATION IS NOT DISPLAYED, PLEASE RE-SUBMIT OR CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (805) 961-7505.

This resume is submitted to allow my qualifications to be considered for the Board of Trustees of the Goleta Library.

I received a BSEE from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1960. Married a local (Albany, NY) girl that I met there. My first job was designing hi-fi music consoles (pre-stereo) for Stromberg-Carlson in Rochester, NY. The company was sold to General Dynamics in 1961. Shortly afterward, the tails started falling off Convair 880 aircraft, and GD went into the submarine business (Electric Boat Division in Groton, CT). In the process, they fired 3,000 of us and shut down the division.

I decided I didn't want to work for a large company any more. (I figured it would be preferable to get fired for something I did, instead of something related to a division of the company that I had never heard of). So I joined the Ordnance Division of Clevite Corp (in Cleveland, OH), as an acoustical engineer. I went to school at night (MS Statistics from Case Western Reserve Univ. 1965) while heading the design team for the transducers and other acoustic subsystems of the Mk 48 Mod 1 ASW torpedo.

I did that for 14 years. During my time at Clevite, it was acquired by Gould Nat'l Battery, and the Ordnance division went from 76 employees to over 2,500. I left Gould in 1974 and joined the Sea Operations Department of Delco Electronics (General Motors) in Goleta, CA, as head of their Acoustics group (thus fulfilling my desire to work for a smaller company). Worked on several projects all involving underwater acoustics and long cables. We broke away from GM in 1982, bought the division we worked for and sold it to Science Applications Inc. in exchange for SAI stock.

The stock paid for the education of my children: Steve is a physician in Thousand Oaks CA; Erica leads the Microbiology Department at Colorado State University; and Robin works for an independent film distributor in San Francisco.

I founded my own company (Tech Associates LLC) and spent several years as a consultant to the governments of Japan and Republic of China and to a Goleta-based sonar manufacturing company Reson Inc. When the travel to Asia became too onerous I retired and served two terms on the County Grand Jury, where I became interested in local government and how it works (and sometimes doesn't). I also served as an elected Director of the Embarcadero Municipal Improvement District for 14 years.