

**Application**

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*By City Clerk's Office at 11:43 pm, Apr 27, 2021*

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission : Submitted

Please read the following before completing an application:

The Oaks Initiative, also known as the "Taxpayer Protection Act," was adopted by Santa Monica voters in November 2000 and amended in November 2016. Its requirements affect all City-elected and appointed officials, including Council-appointed board and commission members. Additional information is available on the City's website in City Charter Article XXII – Taxpayer Protection.

All persons are invited to apply for membership on City Boards and Commissions regardless of race, age, sex, religion, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sexual preference, or disability. Applicants shall not, however, be under 18 years of age or serve on more than one Board, Commission or Corporation. Some Boards and Commissions do require special qualifications and requirements. Appointment of members will be made by Councilmembers at an open City Council meeting. Upon appointment, designated members will be required to file a Conflict of Interest disclosure statement. Please answer all questions on this application. This application will become a public record and will be available for public inspection or duplication.

[Additional Conflict of Interest Information for applicants](#)

**Profile**

Prefix: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: Adya Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: Mohanty Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address

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Street Address

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Suite or Apt

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City

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State

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Postal Code

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Primary Phone

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Alternate Phone

Question applies to multiple boards

**Reside in Santa Monica?**

Yes  No

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**If yes, number of years residence in Santa Monica:**

21

Question applies to Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission

**Are you applying for the seats reserved for those ages 18-22 years old?**

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Yes  No

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**What is your occupation?**

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Student

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**Written Request to Serve Additional Term/s**

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**Interests & Experience**

Question applies to multiple boards

**Specify current or prior service on City Boards/Commissions:**

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I do not have any prior experience on a City Board/Commission

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**List community activities in which you are involved:**

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Actor at the Santa Monica Playhouse Community Theater; Teacher at the Santa Monica Playhouse; community engagement chair of Modern Minority Theater Company

**Personal qualities identified in the criteria include leadership, creativity, and innovation as well as the ability to work effectively in a group setting and an ability to balance competing needs. Provide examples of how you have demonstrated those qualities:**

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I have cultivated leadership skills from teaching at the Santa Monica Playhouse as well as leading the South Asian acapella group USC Asli Baat as their musical director. I have learned how to lead not only with my words but with my actions. As an actor I've cultivated a lot of empathy and understanding of others and I feel this is crucial to being a good leader. As an artist, I am very creative and innovative and bring those qualities to everything that I do. I have found ways to bring my creativity into my activism by creating social media infographics or videos or pieces of theater surrounding a certain issue. I am constantly working in a group setting, I am part of a theater company and an acapella group and I feel I thrive in collaboration with others.

Adya Mohanty

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**Please share any knowledge of or experience with law enforcement, public safety policies and issues, or social services policies and issues.**

I am currently minoring in Race, Ethnicity, and Politics at the University of Southern California. I am an activist and advocate for social justice issues. I am well versed in public safety policies and issues in the United States. I am a strong advocate for community-oriented safety. Institutionally, police are often not held accountable for conduct and violence against marginalized communities. We must look to non-violent ways of keeping our communities safe. I am an advocate for the decriminalization of nonviolent crime, restorative justice, investing funds into mental healthcare, and unarmed mediation and intervention.

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**Why you are interested in serving on the Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission?**

I strongly believe Public Safety needs change and accountability. Marginalized communities are facing disproportionate violence from the individuals who should be protecting all members of all of our communities. I am passionate about making public safety truly safe and effective for all people of all races and ethnicities.

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**Participation on the board requires a significant commitment over the length of the term including attendance at approximately two scheduled meetings per month, and possibly other tasks and meetings outside of board meetings. Will you be able to commit the necessary time to perform your duties if appointed to the board?**

Yes  No

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**How did you learn about the vacancy in this board or commission? (select all that apply) \***

Word of Mouth- Council or Board/Commission member, City Staff, neighborhood groups, etc.

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## **Business Information (Public)**

**Occupation:**

Student

**Business name:**

**Business Address**

**Business Phone**

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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 WEB PAGE.

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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 RESUBMIT OR CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (310) 458-8211.