

**CITY OF NAPA  
COMMISSIONS & BOARDS  
APPLICATION A**

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Boards and Commissions make decisions and/or policy recommendations to the City Council. A list of these bodies with a brief description of responsibilities is available.

I wish to be considered for appointment to:

**(PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE)**

- Bicycle and Trails Advisory Commission
- Building & Fire Code Board of Appeals
- Civil Service Commission
- Community Development Block Grant
- Cultural Heritage Commission
- Disability Access Board of Appeals
- Housing Authority Board
- Park & Recreation Advisory Commission
- Planning Commission
- Public Art Steering Committee
- Senior Advisory Commission
- Tree Advisory Commission

*(Please Print)*

**DATE:** 09/06/2012

**NAME:** Michael N. Black

**ADDRESS:** [REDACTED]

**ZIP:** [REDACTED]

**HOME PHONE:** [REDACTED]

**WORK PHONE:** [REDACTED]

**E-MAIL:** [REDACTED]

**Length of Residence in the City of Napa:** 2 Years

**Length of Residence in the County of Napa:** 2 Years

**Registered To Vote In The City of Napa?** Yes

**Occupation/Employer:**

ISA Certified Arborist/ValleyCrest Tree Care Services

Some Commissions and Boards require specific seats to be designated as "Design Professionals". Are you applying as a Design Professional?

YES  NO

*If you have marked "YES" please provide details under "Relevant Experience" on the following page. You may attach additional pages to your application.*

**Community Service Experience:**

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Dates Served</i>	<i>Position</i>
US Army	1996-2000	Infantry/Abn, RGR

**Education:**

<i>School</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>Graduation Date/Degree</i>
CNM Community College	AS	2004/AS

**Other relevant experience or expertise:**

I routinely advise property managers, homeowners & HOAs on tree care management in my professional role. Passionately involved in gardening and land-use/conservation activities as hobbies.

**What is your understanding of the role and responsibility of this Board?**

The tree advisory commission acts as a moderating/advisory body for the citizens and public officials of Napa in relation to trees and tree management throughout the city.

**Have you ever attended a meeting of this Board? If so, how many:**

No.

**What duties of this Board are most interesting to you?**

Utilizing my expertise and knowledge to advise and otherwise assist the city of Napa in fostering a healthy, robust and beautiful landscape while maintaining a positive environment for economic development.

**What activities of this Board are least interesting to you?**

None. I would be fully excited to serve my community in any way I can.

**What programs or projects would you like to see improved or implemented?**

- More native trees.
- Increased tree diversity.

**How would you approach improving these project(s) or program(s)?** (Use additional paper if necessary).

I would gather feedback from community members and professional peers while applying fundamentals of research and environmental stewardship to craft sound advice for city officials with the goal of a win for all.

**Are you involved in any organizations or activities that may result in a conflict of interest if you are appointed to this Board?**

No.

**Please list two local references and their phone numbers:**

- Robert Peralta, [REDACTED]
- Christopher Keithley, [REDACTED]

**How did you learn of this vacancy?**       Newspaper       Flyer       Internet       Other

*(Appointees will be required to take an Oath of Office and are subject to filing a Statement of Economic Interests).*

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Napa, CA 94559

**Date:** 9-6-2012  
**Signature:** [REDACTED]



Other relevant experience or expertise:

MASTER GARDENER, U.C. EXTENSION

What is your understanding of the role and responsibility of this Board?

Have you ever attended a meeting of this Board? If so, how many:

What duties of this Board are most interesting to you?

THEIR EXPERTISE & SENSITIVITY TO THE CITY & ITS TREES

What activities of this Board are least interesting to you?

THE CITY EMPLOYEES WHO RUN THE PROGRAM

What programs or projects would you like to see improved or implemented?

How would you approach improving these project(s) or program(s)? (Use additional paper if necessary).

Are you involved in any organizations or activities that may result in a conflict of interest if you are appointed to this Board?

NO

Please list two local references and their phone numbers:

JILL TECHER - [REDACTED]  
MARK VAN GOLDER - [REDACTED]

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