

CITY OF OAKLAND



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Office of the Mayor
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Letter of Appointment

June 4, 2024

Dear President Bas and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter Section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following persons as members of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Taxation and Assessment Board of Review

Cameron Potratz, to serve a four-year term on the Taxation and Assessment Board of Review beginning October 2, 2020 and ending October 1, 2024, filling the vacant seat previously held by Adrionna Fike.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheng Thao". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mayor Sheng Thao

Cameron Potratz

Lawlor St
Oakland, California 94605

Summary

UA Local 483 instructor and foreman with Revit design experience.

Professional History

Sprinkler Fitters Local 483, Instructor

August 2020- Present

- Teach apprentice classes of all levels, from new member orientation to state license exam preparation.
- Teach journey level courses on topics such as “Foremanship”, “Aerial Work Platform”, “Forklift”, “OSHA 30”, etc..
- Developed journey person course “Tube Bending for Fire Protection”.
- Member of Apprenticeship Competition Committee.
- Work closely with the Training Director to develop a Revit class.
- Continuing education on how to be an effective educator to adults.
- Teach CPR and First Aid as well as certify new instructors.

Westates Mechanical, Foreman Sprinkler Fitter

July 2020- Present

- Mentored junior team members, providing guidance on proper techniques and safety.
- Completed indoor and outdoor residential and commercial construction projects.
- Performed pipe fabrication, installation and fitting according to proper specifications.
- Followed relevant codes, regulations and safety techniques.

Anderson, Rowe, and Buckley, Inc., Apprentice Sprinkler Fitter

June 2017- July 2020

- Performed pipe fabrication, installation and fitting according to proper specifications.
- Hoisted loads using slings, chains, shackles, hooks, cables and other rigging equipment.
- Created and submitted daily reports on the progress of sprinkler system construction.
- Followed relevant codes, regulations and safety techniques.

Western States Mechanical Corp., Apprentice Sprinkler Fitter

April 2016- June 2017

- Learned how to install, inspect, test and maintain all aspects of sprinkler systems from underground to overhead.

Westates Mechanical, Apprentice Sprinkler Fitter

August 2015- April 2016

- Learned how to work on a construction site safely, as well as how to use basic tools and piping components.

United States Postal Service, City Carrier Assistant

August 2014- August 2015

- Responsible for delivering and receiving mail from residents and businesses.

Educational History

Washtenaw Community College

2021- Present

United Association Instructor Training Program

Chabot College

August 2015- June 2020

Commercial Sprinkler Fitter Apprenticeship Program

UC Santa Cruz

September 2008- September 2013

B.A. Philosophy

Teaching assistant for Ethics course

Skills/Certifications

- Winner of UA Local 483 Apprenticeship Contest (2019 and 2020)
- OSHA 30
- Gradall
- Scissor lift
- NFPA 25
- NFPA 13
- Confined Space
- Soldering & Brazing
- CPVC
- ASSE 15010 Certified
- First Aid/CPR Certified Instructor
- Revit for Fire Protection Levels 1, 2, & 3
- State Licensed Sprinkler Fitter
- Court Appointed Special Advocate for Alameda County, a volunteer position that involves working with youth in the foster care system
- Designed and planted a 5 acre dry farmed chestnut orchard using USDA Agroforestry and Alley Cropping techniques without chemical inputs.
- Black Belt in Shotokan Karate


CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

**INTRODUCED BY
MAYOR SHENG THAO**

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF
CAMERON POTRATZ TO THE OAKLAND TAXATION AND
ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW**

WHEREAS, City of Oakland ("City") Charter Section 601 provides, among other things, that the City Council may create by ordinance advisory, appellate or rule-making boards and commissions and prescribe their function, duties, powers, and jurisdiction, and that members of boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council ("Council"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Section 4.24.100(A), the Taxation and Assessment Board of Review ("Board") under the Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance is comprised of, among others, the City Manager (also known as the City Administrator), the City Auditor, and two community members nominated by the Mayor and appointed by the Council for a term of four years; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code (OMC) Section 4.24.100(A), the City Administrator and the City Auditor may each designate a person to serve as their designee to the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to OMC Section 4.16.170, determinations under the Parking Tax Ordinance (OMC Chapter 4.16) may also be appealed to the Taxation and Assessment Board of Review; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor’s appointment of the following individual to Oakland’s Taxation and Assessment Board of Review as set forth below:

Cameron Potratz, to serve a four-year term on the Taxation and Assessment Board of Review beginning October 2, 2020 and ending October 1, 2024 filling the vacant seat previously held by Adrionna Fike.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California