

CITY OF OAKLAND



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Office of the Mayor  
Honorable Sheng Thao

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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:

**Business Tax Review Board**

**Cameron Potratz**, to serve a four-year term on the Business Tax Review Board 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,

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 BUSINESS TAX BOARD OF REVIEW**

**WHEREAS**, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Section 5.04.520 the Business Tax Board of Review is comprised of the City Administrator, the City Auditor, an employee of the City selected by the City Administrator, and two community members nominated by the Mayor and appointed by the Council each for a term of four years; now, therefore, be it

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

**Cameron Potratz**, to serve a four-year term on the Business Tax Review Board 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