



APPLICATION

FOR APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY
SAN LEANDRO CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT 6

CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

JAN 24 2007

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

This application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration to fill the vacancy in District 6, for the term ending December 31, 2008.

For Official Use	
Resident of San Leandro	Yes ___ No ___
Resident of District 6	___ Years
Registered Voter	Yes ___ No ___

Please type or print

Name Mr. Ms. Prola Jim C
Last First Middle Initial
Home Address 2234 Belvedere Ave San Leandro 94577
Address City Zip
Home Phone (510) 483-0744 Cellular Phone () NONE
Work Phone () retired Email jimprola@yahoo.com

Current Employment Information

Employer EAST Bay MUNICIPAL Utility District - retired
Address OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA
Position LAB TECHNICIAN Dates of Employment 1968 - 2004
Responsibilities ANALYZED water AND waste water

Questionnaire

(A separate sheet may be attached)

Please describe your education, training, and/or any special certifications:

see attached sheets

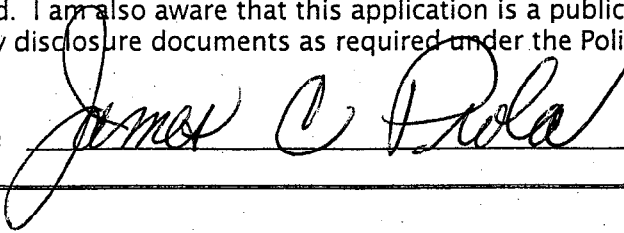
Please explain why you want to be appointed to the City Council:

Please list any previous City of San Leandro Board, Commission, or Committee on which you have served as well as any community organizations to which you belong or have belonged:

Please provide any additional information you wish which covers your qualifications, interests, or training related to this appointment:

I have sufficient time to devote this responsibility and will attend the required meeting(s) if I am appointed. I am also aware that this application is a public document. If appointed, I will file the necessary disclosure documents as required under the Political Reform Act.

Signature



Date

Jan. 24, 2007

Please return your application by 5:00 p.m. on January 26, 2007 to:

Office of the City Clerk
City of San Leandro
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, CA 94577

No application will be accepted after the deadline.

(Upon submission to the City of San Leandro, this document becomes a public record.)

QUESTIONNAIRE ANSWERS from Jim Prola

Please describe your education, training , background:

I attended Merritt College, Cal State—Hayward, and U.C. Berkeley, with a heavy emphasis on science and sociology. My wife Diana and I raised three children in San Leandro. In the 30 years that we have lived here, I have participated in many activities, including coaching youth soccer and baseball in San Leandro and coaching basketball for underprivileged children in Oakland. I helped get city approval for the St. Leander's Women's Shelter, advocated for the living wage at the Hayward City Council, participated in shoreline clean-ups and helped restore salmon and steelhead habitat in Alameda Creek. I have actively campaigned for numerous candidates and issues, most recently the 2006 city elections and the School Parcel Tax and Bond.

I was employed at East Bay Municipal Utility District as a water and wastewater analyst until my recent retirement. As a member of AFSCME I established the union Health and Safety Committee and served as vice-president of Local 444. Later, as a member of Local 2019, I served as a long-time member of the Executive Board, built the labor-environmental coalition on the EBMUD Board of Directors, served as the Political Action Chair for Council 57 and on the Statewide Steering Committee. I have been on the E-Board of the Central Labor Council of Alameda County for more than 20 years, and am now the Political Director for Council 57 retirees. In 2003 the Central Labor Council of Alameda County selected me as the COPE Man of the Year, with commendations from the U.S. Congress (Barbara Lee and Pete Stark read this into the Congressional Record), the California Assembly and Senate (including Ellen Corbett, Liz Figueroa, John Dutra and Don Perata), Governor Gray Davis, and Mayor Sheila Young and the San Leandro City Council (copy of the S.L. commendation is attached.)

Why do you want to be appointed to the City Council?

San Leandro is a dynamic, diverse city with a mix of small and large businesses and quality schools. The changing demographics in the city include age, ethnicity and economic variations among its citizens. These present challenges requiring leadership and vision, a balancing act between the needs of people, the environment and the business community. These challenges are also a result of the state's neglect of cities, and, with my contacts and experience in Sacramento, I feel that I am uniquely qualified to help address some of these problems. I have invested my life here, raising three children, participating in the life of San Leandro, and have chosen to retire here. I now have the time to give to the city which has meant so much to my family.

My priorities are fair and balanced budgets, smart growth, safe neighborhoods and maintaining the small town atmosphere which is one of San Leandro's most attractive features. I will work to build coalitions among business, labor, senior, and environmental groups. I admire the dedication of those who choose public service. I feel that I can work with all members of the current City Council and, as a new member, I am willing to ask for advice and listen to ideas from those with more experience. I have learned through negotiation the value of compromise and of different people working

together to achieve a common goal. I love San Leandro and am willing to work with you to build it as a city of the future.

Please list any previous City.....and any community organizations to which you belong or have belonged.

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

California State Democratic Central Committee—delegate (2001-present)

Alameda County Democratic Central Committee— (2003-present)

Hayward Demos (which includes San Leandro)

18th Assembly District Committee—elected representative

FORUM (Federation of Retired Union Members)

CARA (California Alliance of Retired Americans)—statewide steering committee

Sierra Club—Endorsement Committee member (for interviewing local candidates)

Member of environmental organizations: Cal Trout, Center for Biological Diversity,

Defenders of Wildlife, Nature Conservancy, Friends of the River.

SACSYL (city/county youth soccer leagues)—coach 10 years

Youth basketball—coach 15 years

San Leandro Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball Leagues—coach 5 years

Please provide any additional information you wish which covers your qualifications, interests, or training related to this appointment:

I would describe myself as a progressive on social issues, but conservative on financial issues. I have received miscellaneous trainings which I believe may be useful in this position:

- I participated as a negotiator for my union during three contract negotiations.
- Through AFSCME I have received and participated in Lobbying Training. This has been on-going over several years. I have lobbied in Sacramento as a volunteer both for the union and for CARA on senior issues.
- Another training from AFSCME was their Campaign School, which was useful in learning how to run a campaign, how to phone bank and precinct walk, and how to involve the community in political issues.
- I volunteered to work with the East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Economy (EBASE), gathering signatures for the Living Wage Initiative, because I believe it will lead to a more socially just and sustainable economy for San Leandro.
- During the California 2005 Special Election I was selected and trained as a volunteer speaker for the Alliance for a Better California. In this capacity I gave speeches to organizations and TV interviews both in the Bay Area and as a special representative to the tri-county area near San Luis Obispo.
- I have spent literally thousands of hours on local, state and national elections. The year of my retirement (2004) I spent the entire month of October volunteering on the presidential campaign in Ohio.

I think all of these activities have given me the skills to work with many different people and groups, to form coalitions, and to achieve goals as part of a working group.

Commendation

JIM PROLA

WHEREAS, Jim Prola is being honored with the COPE Award of the Central Labor Council of Alameda County for his dedication to the labor movement and his community; and

WHEREAS, Jim Prola was elected to the Central Labor Council of Alameda County AFL-CIO Executive Board, having served as a Delegate to the Labor Council for over 20 years for the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local Union 2019; and

WHEREAS, as a member of AFSCME Local 2019, Jim Prola worked with his local union to build a Labor and Environmental Coalition which now involves the majority of the East Bay Municipal Utility District Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Jim Prola has contributed to the COPE Program of the Central Labor Council of Alameda County AFL-CIO through his exceptional and consistent participation and volunteerism to further labor's political programs; and

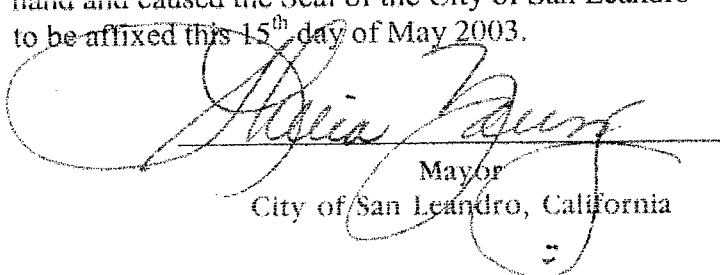
WHEREAS, Jim Prola continues to serve his community as a volunteer coach for youth basketball in Oakland schools, a volunteer coach for youth soccer in the City of San Leandro, and a volunteer coach for the Babe Ruth Baseball League; and

WHEREAS, the contributions made by Jim Prola to the welfare and improvement of the labor movement and his community have been invaluable, and he serves as a worthy model for all community service-oriented citizens of the City of San Leandro.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shelia Young, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, on behalf of the City Council, do congratulate and commend Jim Prola for being honored as the COPE Award recipient and wish him much success in all his future endeavors.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 15th day of May 2003.


Mayor
City of San Leandro, California



NOMINATION SIGNATURES

FOR APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY
SAN LEANDRO CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT 6

We, the undersigned voters, hereby nominate JIM PROLA
for the office of City Council, District 6, for the term ending December 31, 2008.

Signers must be registered voters residing within the boundaries of District 6 and may nominate only one applicant.

1	Sign Name <i>Jim Prola</i> Print Name Diana J. Prola	Residence Address 2234 Belvedere Ave. San Leandro, CA 94577	For Official Use
2	Sign Name <i>Robert Tharp</i> Print Name ROBERT THARP	Residence Address 2220 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO CA 94577	For Official Use
3	Sign Name <i>Eugene F. Diana</i> Print Name EUGENE F. DIANA	Residence Address 2240 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO CA, 94577	For Official Use
4	Sign Name <i>Walter Franca</i> Print Name WALTER FRANCA	Residence Address 2255 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
5	Sign Name <i>Walter Franca</i> Print Name WALTER FRANCA	Residence Address 2255 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
6	Sign Name <i>Cathleen L Brown</i> Print Name CATHLEEN L BROWN	Residence Address 2233 Belvedere Ave San Leandro, Ca. 94577	For Official Use
7	Sign Name <i>Major L Brown</i> Print Name MAJOR L BROWN	Residence Address 2233 Belvedere Ave San Leandro, CA 94577	For Official Use
8	Sign Name <i>Kathleen Mary Kennedy</i> Print Name KATHLEEN MARY KENNEDY	Residence Address 14723 DOOLITTLE DR SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
9	Sign Name <i>Ed Jaramillo</i> Print Name Ed JARAMILLO	Residence Address 2209 Belvedere Ave San Leandro CA 94577	For Official Use
10	Sign Name <i>Sharon Turner</i> Print Name Sharon Turner	Residence Address 2214 Belvedere Ave San Leandro, CA 94577	For Official Use
11	Sign Name <i>Gerald D Sheehan</i> Print Name GERALD D. SHEEHAN	Residence Address 2236 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
12	Sign Name <i>Shirlee Sheehan</i> Print Name SHIRLEE SHEEHAN	Residence Address 2236 Belvedere Ave. San Leandro, Ca 94577	For Official Use
13	Sign Name <i>Allen F. Turner</i> Print Name Allen F. Turner	Residence Address 2214 Belvedere Ave San Leandro, CA 94577	For Official Use
14	Sign Name <i>Margaret A. McCluckie</i> Print Name Margaret A. McCluckie	Residence Address 1995 Arctic St. San Leandro, 94577	For Official Use
15	Sign Name <i>Richard Becker</i> Print Name RICHARD BECKER	Residence Address 64 PEDA ST. SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use

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We, the undersigned voters, hereby nominate Jim Profa
 for the office of City Council, District 6 for the term ending December 31, 2008.

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16	Sign Name <i>James C Profa</i> Print Name JAMES C PROFA	Residence Address 2234 Belvedere Ave San Leandro CA 94577	For Official Use
17	Sign Name <i>Sharon E. Collins</i> Print Name Sharon D. Collins	Residence Address 14439 Trinidad Rd San Leandro, CA 94577	For Official Use
18	Sign Name <i>Mary Ann Downer</i> Print Name MARY ANN DOWNER	Residence Address 14149 SANTIAGO Road SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
19	Sign Name <i>Milton A. Downer</i> Print Name MILTON A. DOWNER	Residence Address 14149 SANTIAGO ROAD SAN LEANDRO CA 94577	For Official Use
20	Sign Name <i>Cecilia Ampou</i> Print Name CECILIA AMPON	Residence Address 13874 SANTIAGO RD SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
21	Sign Name <i>George A. Calmeida</i> Print Name GEORGE A. CALMEIDA	Residence Address 2280 Belvedere St. 94577	For Official Use
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24	Sign Name <i>Ernest Comelo</i> Print Name ERNEST COMELO	Residence Address 2048 JUNE AU ST SAN LEANDRO CA 94577	For Official Use
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29	Sign Name <i>Stella Heung Yee Lui-Law</i> Print Name STELLA HEUNG YEE LUI-LAW	Residence Address 2232 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use
30	Sign Name <i>Sharon J. Tom</i> Print Name SHARON J. TOM	Residence Address 2342 BELVEDERE AVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577	For Official Use