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City of Reno  
City Council Member Applicant Acknowledgement

Darcie Smith

For the Office Of  
Ward 5 Council Member

State of Nevada  
County of Washoe

For the purpose of having my name considered as a potential appointed candidate for the office of City Council, I, the undersigned Darcie Smith do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I, actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at 6465 Stone Valley Dr., in the City or Town of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada; that my actual, as opposed to constructive, residence in the state, district, county, township, city or other area prescribed by law to which the office pertains began on a date at least 30 days immediately preceding the date of the close of the application period for this office, that my telephone number is 775-200-2987, and the address at which I receive mail, if different than my residence, is \_\_\_\_\_; that I am a qualified elector pursuant to Section 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada; that if I have ever been convicted of treason or a felony, my civil rights have been restored; that if selected as a nonpartisan candidate at the ensuing Reno City Council Meeting, I will accept the nomination and not withdraw; that I will not knowingly violate any election law or any law defining and prohibiting corrupt and fraudulent practices in campaigns and elections in this State; that I will qualify for the office if appointed thereto, including, but not limited to, complying with any limitation prescribed by the Constitution and laws of this State concerning the number of years or terms for which a person may hold the office; that I understand that knowingly and willfully filing an appointment application which contains a false statement is a crime punishable as a gross misdemeanor and also subjects me to a civil action disqualifying me from entering upon the duties of office; and that I understand my name will appear on all Reno City Council Meeting Agendas as designated in this declaration.

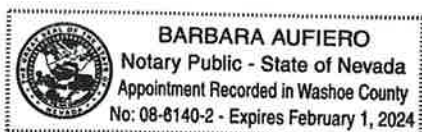
Darcie Smith  
Printed Name of Applicant

Darcie Smith  
Signature of Applicant

Subscribed and sworn or affirmed to before  
me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of the month of  
August of the year 2022.

Darcie Danielle Smith  
Name of Candidate

Barbara Auffero  
Notary Public



## City of Reno

### Reno City Council Membership Application

Please be advised that all information contained in this application is part of the City of Reno's public record and is, upon request, available for public review. Contact the City Clerk's office at 334-2030 with any questions.

First Name: <i>Darcie S</i>	
Last Name: <i>Smith</i>	
Applicable Nickname: <i>—</i>	
Office Applying For: <i>Council Member</i>	Applicable Ward: <i>Ward 5</i>

#### Contact Information:

Address where applicant resides: <i>6465 Stone Valley Dr.</i>		
City: <i>Reno</i>	State: <i>NV</i>	Zip:
County of Residence: <i>Washoe</i>		
Mailing Address (if different): <i>—</i>		
City:	State:	Zip:
Primary Phone: <i>775-200-2987</i>	Primary Email: <i>darciedsmith@gmail.com</i>	

**Preferred Contact Information If appointed, the address, phone number and e-mail address you wish to use for your contact information:**

Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:	

**Occupation/Business Information:**

Business Name: <i>Retired Teacher WUSD</i>		
Job Title:		
Business Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Business Phone:	Business Email:	

How long have you been a resident of the City of Reno?	<i>39 years</i>
How long have you been a resident at your current address?	<i>19 years</i>
Are you currently registered to Vote in the City of Reno?	Yes <u><i>X</i></u> No <u>      </u>

**Education and Training:**

List Education or Training you've received relevant to the position to which you are applying:
<i>See resume - attached</i>

**Elected Official Information:**

Have you previously run for an elected office?	Yes <u>      </u> No <u><i>X</i></u>
If yes, please describe: <i>I did apply for a school board appointed position, but was not selected.</i>	
Do you plan on running for elected office in the future?	Yes <u><i>?</i></u> No <u>      </u>
Please list any known conflicts of interest you would have: <i>none</i>	

Have you previously run for an elected office?	Yes _____ No <u>X</u>
If yes, please describe:	
Do you plan on running for elected office in the future?	Yes <u>?</u> No _____
Explain briefly why you would like to be appointed to this board or commission. Please attach any additional information you wish:	
<i>see attachment</i>	

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information I provided in the application is true. If the information provided is false or incomplete, it shall be sufficient cause for disqualification or removal. I acknowledge that this document is part of the public record of the City of Reno and is available for public review.

Signature: *Darce Smart* Date: 8-16-2022

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DRIVER LICENSE

1 SMITH  
2 DARCIE DAWNELLE  
# 6465 STONE VALLEY DR  
RENO, NV 89523-1227

15 Sex F 16 Hgt 5'02" 17 Wgt 150 18 Eyes BLU  
9 Class C 9a End NONE 19 Hair GRY 4a Iss 01/18/2019  
12 Restr B 5 DO 000026694730614947300

4d DL NO: [REDACTED]  
3 DOB 03/16/1948  
4b Exp 03/16/2023

*Darcie Smith*

Darcie Smith, Ed.D.

August 16, 2022

**Why I would like to be appointed to City Council:**

I call Reno home. I moved here in 1961, 12 years old, and attended Dilworth Jr. High and then was the first graduating class of Wooster High School. I had a scholarship to UNR, but got married and dropped out. Following in the path of my husband's career, we moved back East and returned to Reno in 1983. I have been here ever since. In those years, Reno gave me my higher education, most of my work experience, and provided a safe and nurturing place to raise my family. I have watched this city develop and change, and look forward to helping it become a better place for families and businesses to grow and thrive.

From my Resume (attached) you can see I have had the opportunity and pleasure of many career opportunities. My favorites include both research and teaching. Both require abilities to listen to others, gather facts, share what was learned, compromise, and draw conclusions that help solve problems. After I retired from teaching in 2012, I continued to work and help others in a variety of ways. My focus was directed to the future of Reno and how to help others in their quest to succeed. I learned that the presence of parents is needed back in schools and that private citizens are needed back in government.

At my age, I view my lack of political experience as a plus. I have no enemies, I do not view a political position as a step in the career ladder, I am retired and do not need or desire power, money, or job longevity. I just want to learn how to better help our city as we face the many challenges where solutions are elusive. We need to be able to garnish the expertise of many in our community in order to think outside the box. New solutions are needed. Change is necessary for the survival of our city, and who better to direct those changes than those who know the city best. Its citizens.

I have energy and time and experience to lend to the position of City Council. I think I have what Reno needs.

# Darcie Smith, Ed. D.

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## EDUCATION

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| 2012 | University of Nevada, College of Education, Reno NV | <i>Ed. D.</i>                                      |
| 2001 | Washoe County School District, Reno NV              | <i>Reading Specialist</i>                          |
| 1999 | University of Nevada, College of Education, Reno NV | <i>Master of Arts</i>                              |
| 1995 | University of Nevada, College of Education, Reno NV | <i>Bachelor of Science and Teaching credential</i> |
| 1990 | Computerized Infrared Imaging, Reno NV              | <i>Certified Thermographic Technician</i>          |

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & CERTIFICATIONS

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- 2022 Web site under construction, [readingbuddybooks.com](http://readingbuddybooks.com), with help for parents in educating their children.
- 2021 "Why School Fails Children" by Darcie Smith, Ed.D. published and available on Amazon.com.
- 2021 Featured photographer at The Artist Co-Op in Reno, Nevada.
- 2020 Teacher at Northern Nevada Literacy Association, teaching math and literacy to adults.
- 2018 Application Reviewer for Read by 3 grant cycle – Nevada Department of Education
- 2017 Reading Buddy Books signing and sales at Reno Town Mall every weekend in December.
- 2017 Offering free weekly advice concerning math and literacy to concerned parents at Parent Teacher Aids, Reno.
- 2016 Periodic contributor to Reno Gazette Journal & USA Today.
- 2016 Conference presenter for Nevada Reading Week (Reno) in February, Home School Conference (San Francisco) in July, NRMERA Conference (Reno) in October.
- 2015 Conference presenter for NAEYC (Nevada Association for the Education of Young Children) in May, September and October.
- 2015 Registered Trainer with *The Nevada Registry*.
- 2014 One of five finalists for the vacancy on the WCSD School Board for District E.
- 2014 – present Substitute Teacher for Washoe County School District.
- 2014 – present Self-published author of children's books.
- 2013 One of nine finalists for the International Literacy Association's Outstanding Dissertation Award with an accompanying presentation at their 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas.
- 2012 AVSI coding of morphological content with Dianna R. Townsend, Ed. D. University of Nevada, Reno.
- 2001 – present Reading Specialist for Washoe County School District.
- 1997 – present Private tutor in K-12 literacy, K-8 math, and science.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & CERTIFICATIONS continued

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1995 – present State of Nevada Teaching License

1997– 2013 Elementary school teacher in Washoe County School District.

1997 – 2013 Washoe County School District; Reno, Nevada

*Teacher of grades 1, 2, 3 and 4.*

Common Core training 2011-2013

SIOPS training 2010-2011

Writer's Workshop training 2010-2011

DRA training 2010-2011

NELIP training 2002-2004

GLAD training 2003-2004

Reading Recovery training 2002

CELL/ExLL training 2001-2002

2000 - University of Nevada, Reno  
*College of Education C&I 405 Team teacher*

Summers of 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999 Reading Tracks; Reno, Nevada  
*Team teacher for this UNR affiliated remedial reading program*

1996 - University of Nevada Reno  
*College of Education C&I 683 Team teacher*

1996 - Child Garden, Reno, Nevada  
*Teacher of all-day kindergarten*

1995 - Cambridge Montessori, Reno, Nevada  
*Teacher of Image 1-3 classroom*

Prior to 1992:

Various medical research positions including University of Nevada, Reno, College of Medicine, Department of Pharmacology with Dr. John Sutko; Computerized Infrared Imaging in Reno, Nevada, with Drs. Goodman and Haga; University of Utah, Department of Radiological Health with Drs. R. Pendleton and R. Lloyd.



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## **OTHER POSITIONS HELD BEFORE 1995**

1970s to present - Mother and housewife.

1970s Waitress and food handler at local bar & café, Salt Lake City, Utah.

1970s Licensed In-home day care center. Salt Lake City, Utah.

1970s Bill collector for a local Collection Agency. Salt Lake City, Utah.

1980s Lab technician, Department of Radiological Health, at University of Utah.

1980s Radiological Safety Officer, University of Utah Medical Center.

1980s Real Estate Agent, Missouri.

1980s Custodian for United Methodist Church, Missouri.

1980s Sunday School teacher, United Methodist Church, Missouri.

1980s House cleaning services, Missouri

1990s Owner, Silver-Smith Coupons, a direct mail advertising business, Reno, Nevada.

1990s Home hemodialysis technician, Reno, Nevada

1990s Medical Technician, Department of Pharmacology, University of Nevada, Reno.

## **Nevada Open Meeting Law Waiver**

**WAIVER OF NOTICE IS REQUIRED UNDER NRS 241.033(1) TO ALLOW THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THE CHARACTER, MISCONDUCT, OR COMPETENCE OF A PERSON TO BE APPOINTED TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR OTHER PUBLIC BODY FOR THE CITY OF RENO\***

The City Council for the City of Reno will be considering your appointment to a board, commission, or other public body for the City of Reno on a future posted agenda. Pursuant to NRS 241.033(1), in order to consider the professional competence of an applicant, notice needs to be provided to that person of the time and place of the meeting in compliance with such statutory provisions. By agreeing below, it is confirmed that I have been provided notice of the meeting at which my appointment will be considered by the City Council. Further, I knowingly and voluntarily am waiving my rights to all written notice requirements under NRS 241.033(1) pertaining to my qualifications, competence, and character to hold this appointment and consent to the evaluation of my character and competence by the Reno City Council in a public meeting. Further, I acknowledge that I may, at any time, withdraw both this waiver and the related application for my appointment.

### **Acknowledgment:**

If you are considered as a candidate to fill the vacancy as the Ward 5 Council Member your application may appear on a City of Reno Council Meeting Agenda, to the extent required by NRS.

Darcie Smith  
Printed Name of Applicant

Darcie Smith  
Signature of Applicant