



# City of Rochester Hills

## CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU WANT TO SERVE (please check the boxes):**

**Appointed by Mayor, Confirmed by City Council**

- Advisory Traffic & Safety (meets monthly)
- Board of Review (meets as needed)
- Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (meets 4 times a year)
- Citizens Pathway (meets as needed)
- Construction/Fire Prevention Board of Appeals\* (meets as needed)
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee (meets as needed)
- Local Development Finance Authority (meets 4 times a year)
- Naming Standing Committee (meets as needed)
- Planning Commission\* (meets monthly)
- Rochester Hills Museum Foundation (meets monthly)

**Appointed by City Council**

- Cemetery Citizen Advisory Committee (meets 2-4 times a year)
- Deer Management Advisory Committee (meets 2 times a year)
- Elections Commission (meets prior to each Election)
- Green Space Advisory Board (meets monthly)
- Historic Districts Commission\* (meets monthly)
- Historic Districts Study Committee (meets as needed)
- Human Resources Technical Review Committee (meets yearly)
- Liquor License Technical Review Committee (meets as needed)
- Older Persons' Commission (meets monthly)
- Public Safety & Infrastructure Technical Review Committee (meets as needed)
- Retiree Health Care Trust – Board of Trustees (meets as needed)
- Rochester Avon Recreation Authority (meets monthly)
- Rochester Hills Museum Foundation (meets monthly)
- Trailways Commission (meets monthly)
- Water System Advisory Council (meets yearly)
- Zoning/Board of Appeals\* (meets monthly)

*\* Denotes paid positions. Candidates will be required to complete a Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, as required by the Federal Government.*



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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ COUNCIL DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR \_\_\_\_\_ YEARS

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

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**INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS** (Specifically list the reasons you are interested in serving on this/these committees and any qualifications you have for being on this/these committees:

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE or currently SERVE on** (List Municipalities and years):

**ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD:**

**OTHER ORGANIZATIONS** you have been or are involved with:

**Relevant EDUCATION** to the committee(s) you are interested in:

**HOBBIES/INTERESTS**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

# Sharon Dow

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## BIOGRAPHY

With twenty plus years of experience at Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) as Data Architect in Information & Communication Technology, Sharon Dow's professional interest and experience have been focused on the Information Technology field of Database Management. She served as the Sales & Marketing Chair for the Asian-American Employee Resource Group in FCA. Sharon started SD3 Connect Studio, LLC in 2020 serving Web Design, Graphic Design, and Communication Strategy Services. She received her Master Degree in Computer Science.

With the unexceptional opportunity in non-profit organizational leadership, Sharon has actively engaged and contributed directly to across cultural communities. She is currently serving as Commissioner in Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPAAC), Board Treasurer of Detroit Institute of Art's (DIA) auxiliary group Friends of Asian Arts and Cultures (FAAC), and Vice President of Association of Chinese Americans (OCA-ACA), which are all cross-cultural non-profit organizations that promote and advance the diverse cultural heritage of Asian Americans and the community at large. Prior to that, Sharon spent years as President of Michigan Chinese Women Association (MCWA), President of Chinese American Society of Ann Arbor (CASAA), Vice President of Council of Asian Pacific Americans (CAPA) in Michigan, and Director of Communication Committee in National Association of Asian American Professionals-Detroit Chapter (NAAAP-Detroit). Besides her active Diversity role, with her artistic passion, Sharon started Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group in 2012 with an aim to promote Chinese culture and classical dance. She was the Production Manager for CAPA Splendor of the East (SOE) in 2017 and DIA Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM) Celebrations 2018 to 2021. Sharon will continue striving for more contributions on comprehensive Professional, Educational, Cultural and Community Services.

## EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- M.S. in Computer Science
- SD3 Connect Studio, LLC – CEO and Founder (2020-Present)
- Data Architect (Contract) (2019)
- Fiat Chrysler Automobiles – Data Architect (2005–2016) and Database Administration (1989–2005)

## AWARD

- Michigan international Professional Award, International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit (2016/17)

## STATE, MUNICIPALITY and COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES

- Commissioner, Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPAAC) (2017 – present)
- City of Rochester Hills Public Safety and Infrastructure Technical Review Committee (2021)
- City of Rochester Hills Human Resources Technical Review Committee (2021)
- Treasurer, Detroit Institute of Art (DIA), Friends of Asian Arts and Cultures (FAAC) (2018 – Present)
- Vice President, Association of Chinese Americans (OCA Advocate-ACA) (2016 – Present)
- Communication Chair, National Association of Asian American Professionals-Detroit (2016 – 2018) (NAAAP Detroit)
- Vice President, Council of Asian Pacific Americans in Michigan (CAPA) (2013 – 2017)
- President, Chinese American Society of Ann Arbor (CASAA) (2014 – 2015)
- Sales & Marketing Chair, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Asians Connected Together (2014 – 2016)
- Webmaster, Asian Center of Southeast Michigan (2013 – 2019)
- Founder/Director/Choreographer, Wind Dance Chinese Cultural Group (2012 – Present)
- President, Michigan Chinese Women Association (MCWA) (2011 – 2012)