



# ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## Nomination for Boards, Commissions & Committees (Rev. 8/29/23)

Agenda Date: September 23, 2025

Item # \_\_\_\_\_

To: **Members of the Orange County Board of Supervisors**

cc: **Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

From: Douglas Becht, Director of Care Coordination

*It is my intent to appoint:*

Name: Debra Rose

Address: [REDACTED]

City & Zip: [REDACTED]

Day Phone: [REDACTED] Fax Number: ( ) E-mail address: [REDACTED]

To the: Commission to Address Homelessness  
(Name of Board, Commission or Committee)

Position Slot: South Service Planning Area Representative

Name of incumbent being replaced or last known member: Debra Rose

**Term (Choose One):**

- 2 Years Beginning Term Date: 9/23/2025 to Expiration Term Date: 9/22/2027
- Term Concurrent with Supervisor's Term of Office
- Term Concurrent with position

**Vacancy occurred due to:**

- Resignation (attach letter of resignation)
- Termination (provide reason for termination in remarks)  Death
- Expiration of Term  Other (provide reason in remarks)

Nomination to:  Appoint  Reappointment  Newly Formed Committee

Qualifications:  Attached (must be attached for appointments and reappointments)

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Clerk of the Board Use Only**

Clerk's Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ File I.D. \_\_\_\_\_ Needs a COI  Send Departure Letter

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Supporting Agency \_\_\_\_\_  Mail or  Pony

Appoint/Complete:  Term Years \_\_\_\_  Term Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 CWS  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  Scheduled Vacancy  Unscheduled Vacancy

Posted on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Certification of posting attached.



APPLICATION FOR COUNTY OF ORANGE  
BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE

Attachment A  
(FOR COUNTY USE ONLY)

Return to: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
400 W. Civic Center Dr., 6th Floor  
Santa Ana, California 92701  
Email: response@ocgov.com  
Website: https://cob.ocgov.com/

**Instructions:** Please complete each section below. Be sure to enter the title of the Board, Commission or Committee for which you desire consideration and attach a resume. For information or assistance, please contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisor's Office at (714) 834-2206. Please print in ink or type.

**NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP. SEE LIST AT <https://cob.ocgov.com/boards-commissions-committees/bcc-name-list-and-contact-information>**

Commission to Address Homelessness

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE:**  First  Second  Third  Fourth  Fifth

**APPLICANT NAME AND RESIDENCE ADDRESS:**

Debra DeBruhl Rose

First Name

Middle Name (Optional)

Last Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

N/A

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

Email Address

**CURRENT EMPLOYER:** City of Lake Forest

**OCCUPATION/JOB TITLE:** City Manager

**BUSINESS ADDRESS:**

**BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER:**

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:** Please attach a resume to this application and provide any information that would be helpful in evaluating your application. **A RESUME MUST BE ATTACHED TO YOUR APPLICATION.**

**ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES:**  YES  NO

**IF NO, NAME OF COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP:**

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER?**  YES  NO

**IF YES, NAME COUNTY YOU ARE REGISTERED IN:** Orange County

**LIST ALL CURRENT PROFESSIONAL OR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER.**

<u>ORGANIZATION/SOCIETY</u>	<u>FROM (MO./YR.)</u>	<u>TO (MO./YR.)</u>
ICMA	May 2017	Present
Orange County City Managers Assoc.	May 2017	Present
ICMA - Women Leading Government	January 2016	Present

**WITHIN THE LAST FIVE YEARS, HAVE YOU BEEN AFFILIATED WITH ANY BUSINESS OR NONPROFIT AGENCY(IES)?**  YES  NO

**DO YOU OWN REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY OR HAVE FINANCIAL HOLDING WHICH MIGHT PRESENT A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST?**  YES  NO

**HAVE YOU BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR CRIME SINCE YOUR 18TH BIRTHDAY? YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: ARRESTS OR DETENTIONS THAT DID NOT RESULT IN A CONVICTION; CONVICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN JUDICIALLY DISMISSED, EXPUNGED OR ORDERED SEALED; INFORMATION CONCERNING REFERRAL TO AND PARTICIPATION IN ANY PRETRIAL OR POSTTRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM; AND CERTAIN DRUG RELATED CONVICTIONS THAT ARE OLDER THAN TWO YEARS, AS LISTED IN CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE § 432.8 (INCLUDING VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 11357(B) AND (C), 11360(C) 11364, 11365 AND 11550 – AS THEY RELATE TO MARIJUANA)?**

YES  NO

**IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN AND ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY.**

**PLEASE BRIEFLY EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO SERVE ON THIS BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR COMMISSION. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY.**

Please see attached document for answers to supplemental questions.

DATE: July 23, 2025

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: *Delra DeBullnose*

**CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS USE ONLY – DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

Date Received: _____	Received by: _____ Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Date referred: _____	
To: <input type="checkbox"/> BOS District 1	<input type="checkbox"/> BOS District 2
<input type="checkbox"/> All BOS	<input type="checkbox"/> BCC Contact Person Name _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> BOS District 5	Page 3

**1. What unique skills, experience or perspectives do you bring that make you especially well-suited to work on solutions to homelessness in our community?**

As a City Manager, I have witnessed the ongoing presence of people experiencing homelessness. While most commonly men over age 40, we have also seen women over age 65 and families with young children. Over time, the community's response has ranged from compassion to frustration. Recognizing the varying viewpoints on this issue, I have continued to advocate for services for those that find themselves unhoused in Lake Forest while balancing the needs and concerns of the broader community.

As a municipal government, we are responsible for maintaining both the peace and public infrastructure. But we are often also the first contact for people experiencing homelessness that are seeking resources. My experience as a City Manager has led me to find ways for the City to be part of the solution, via grants to local non-profits providing rental assistance, case management and other services as well as partnerships with affordable housing developers. We added a Community Outreach Specialist to our staff to work specifically with our unhoused population, offering resources and a path out of homelessness. This role is part of the City's efforts to address homelessness by providing direct support and connecting individuals to services that can help them transition to stable housing.

**2. As a regional leader, how would you use your role to bring together diverse partnerships to support countywide initiatives to address homelessness?**

As an appointed municipal government leader, I have over 30 years of experience working in Orange County. I have developed an extensive network of contacts ranging from my Orange County City Manager colleagues, regional public safety personnel, professionals leading non-profits, the local faith community, as well as business leaders. I believe I can call upon these longstanding relationships to support countywide initiatives to address homelessness. For example, I utilized an existing relationship with Saddleback Church to arrange a location for the Single Day Solutions Fair held on July 24 in Lake Forest.

I look forward to using my role as a Commissioner to engage business leaders to support initiatives through potential funding, job opportunities or other resources. I would also work to strengthen my ties with affordability housing developers to create more housing opportunities. In addition, I would continue to work with faith-based organizations to encourage additional resources and locations for events or services. I would also continue my collaboration with regional public safety personnel to ensure the safety and well-being of the unhoused population. In each instance, I would communicate the importance of a collaborative effort between all stakeholders as critical to maintain an ongoing effort to prevent homelessness and assist those currently experiencing homelessness.

## **DEBRA DEBRUHL ROSE**

### ***Experience***

**City of Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA**  
**City Manager (May 2017 - present)**  
**Interim City Manager (January 2017 - May 2017)**

General Duties: Oversee daily operations and services to the community; lead Executive Management Team; serve as Emergency Operations Manager during emergencies; lead high profile initiatives such as development negotiations, collaboratively designing and implementing economic development and neighborhood preservation programs, presenting a balanced operating budget, and expanding communication and marketing.

**Key Accomplishments:**

- Provided executive oversight for the construction of the \$80 million Lake Forest Civic Center.
- Oversaw the development of the Lake Forest General Plan 2040 and certified Housing Element.
- Oversaw negotiations with Irvine Ranch Water District for Civic Center property and Toll Brothers, Inc., for entitlement of Meadows Community.
- Transitioned City to 2-Year Operating Budget and Risk Based Reserves.
- Oversaw negotiations of 4 new affordable housing projects.
- Maintained fully funded reserves while remaining debt free.
- Obtained *ICMA Credentialed Manager* designation.

**City of Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA**  
**Assistant City Manager/Director of Economic Development and Community Preservation**  
**(July 2015 - January 2017)**

General Duties: Oversee Economic Development, Housing/CDBG, Code Enforcement, and Police Services; serve on the Executive Management Team; lead high profile initiatives such as \$80 million Lake Forest Civic Center Project; serve as Acting City Manager in City Manager's absence.

**Key Accomplishments:**

- As Project Manager for the Lake Forest Civic Center Project, led the procurement process for the selection of Architecture/Engineering and Construction Management firms, collaborated on the creation of master project schedule and initiated community input process.
- As lead negotiator for Development Agreement Amendment with Irvine Ranch Water District, negotiated additional land and infrastructure improvements necessary for Civic Center Project.
- Collaborated with Code Enforcement staff to identify issues, solve problems, and bring matters to a timely resolution.
- Strategized use of \$2.2 million in Affordable Housing in-lieu fees.
- Responded to a wide variety of unexpected or emerging issues such as animal control service alternatives, a controversial neighborhood road project, identification and subsequent closure of a drug house, and traffic impacts of a new shopping center; defined appropriate direction in consultation with departments; supported department directors in resolving issue(s).
- Serve on Orange County Animal Care Financial Operations Advisory Board.

**City of Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA**  
**Deputy City Manager/Director of Management Services (August 2009 – June 2015)**

General Duties: Oversee Public Information, Human Resources, Information Technology, Risk Management and City Clerk's Office; serve on the Executive Management Team; lead high profile initiatives such as \$80 million Lake Forest Civic Center Project; serve as the Public Information Officer.

Key Accomplishments:

- As Public Information Officer, responsible for the communications, public relations campaigns and on camera interviews for the City's most high-profile, controversial issues, including establishment of medical marijuana stores, expansion of the Musick Jail Facility, the City's use of eminent domain, and repeal of Sex Offender Ordinance.
- Delivered a conceptual design for the Lake Forest Civic Center based upon the City Council's affirmed planning principles and the community's identified priorities.
- Led the update of the City's Pay for Performance system to simplify performance evaluation forms and implement a common evaluation date while focusing on stakeholder engagement and user adoption.
- Executive sponsor of Permitting, Planning and Code Enforcement Software Upgrade Project and launched online permits.
- Led procurement and transition to a new IT Services Vendor, resulting in 28% annual savings and 40% reduction in help desk tickets in the first six months of services.
- Oversaw Biennial Comprehensive Classification and Compensation Study
- Served as Acting Community Services Director and Acting City Clerk.

**City of Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA**  
**Director of Management Services (July 2006 – July 2009)**

General Duties: Direct Management Services Department composed of Public Information, Human Resources, Risk Management and Information Technology Divisions.

Key Accomplishments:

- Addressed emerging animal welfare concerns by facilitating two community meetings about animal control services, analyzing benchmark animal shelter data, obtaining an expert evaluation of the OC Animal Shelter, and authoring a 100+ page report assessing the services provided by OC Animal Care. This report resulted in modifications to OC Animal Care practices while affirming the City's desire to continue contract relationship with OC Animal Care.
- Purchased and implemented key business applications such as Geographic Information System (ESRI GIS), Planning, Permitting and Code Enforcement Software (EnerGov), Agenda Management Software (Sire), and new website.
- Served as Project Manager for the Lake Forest Five Year Strategic Business Plan, Lake Forest Strategic Information Technology Plan, and Municipal Code Comprehensive Update.

**City of Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA**  
**Assistant to the City Manager (November 2000 – June 2006)**

General Duties: Supported City Manager by providing complex analysis and recommendations; communicated City Manager's direction to executive staff; lead Customer Relations and Legislative Advocacy Programs; represented City Manager at public, community, and governmental meetings.

Key Accomplishments:

- As Manager of Customer Relations Program, implemented Constituents Relationship Management (CRM) Software to manage constituent communications, such as requests for

services. Program won the League of California Cities 2004 Helen Putnam Award for Internal Administration.

- Created Lake Forest Citizens Leadership Academy, teaching residents about City issues, history and operations.
- Coordinated Legislative Advocacy Program.
- Reviewed and edited all City Council and Redevelopment Agency Agenda Reports for clarity and accuracy; implemented standard agenda template for citywide use.

**City of Garden Grove, Garden Grove, CA**

Senior Administrative Analyst (May 1997 – November 2000)

Administrative Analyst (August 1995 – May 1997)

Administrative Intern (July 1994 – August 1995)

General Duties: Prepared agenda reports, resolutions and presentations; managed special projects such as the Garden Grove Sanitary District Master Plan and Rate Increase; prepared department budget and monitored expenditures; planned and coordinated special events.

***Education***

**Bachelor of Arts, Political Science**, University of California, Los Angeles (1992)

**Master of Public Administration**, California State University, Fullerton (1997)

Sid Baldwin Award (1997 MPA Student of the Year)

***Professional Organizations***

**Women Leading Government**, Vice President

**Commission to Address Homelessness**, County of Orange

City Manager representing South Service Planning Area