

**Southern Village Homeowners Association
Annual General Meeting
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Christ Church (800 Market Street)
7pm**

Candidate Statements

Hurt Covington

Having recently retired, I now have the time to serve on the SVHOA board and give back to the great neighborhood that our family has enjoyed for over two decades. We moved to Southern Village in 1996, at its infancy, and have lived in the same location on Overlake Drive ever since.

I grew up in Durham and attended Purdue where I graduated with a combined Political Science and Communication degree. Following graduation, I spent six years active duty as a naval intelligence officer and several years in the reserves, stepping away as a Lt Commander. From 1984 until 1999 I worked at Nortel Networks in Human Resources where, in my last position, I lead recruiting across the US. My final career pursuit was as a Financial Advisor / Planner, first with Morgan Stanley, and then for the last twelve years with Stifel Nicolaus. My hobbies include reading, yard work, daily trips to Snap and playing clarinet in the Durham Community Concert Band. And while some have chosen to live elsewhere after their children leave the nest, my wife Diane and I purposely decided to stay in Southern Village. Our son, Brooks, now lives and works in San Francisco and our daughter, Amelia, will graduate from American University in May. Both attended and completed Scroggs, Culbreth and Carrboro High School.

In summary, I certainly have the time to devote to the board, a long term history of living in the neighborhood and the passion to see Southern Village continue to thrive. I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the SVHOA board.

Rana Singh

My wife Karen, our sons Saku and Dilraj, and I have lived in Southern Village for twelve years. We started in a townhome, and then moved to a house up the block as our family grew. We like Southern Village so much that we acquired a few more townhomes that we rent out. I'm a commercial airline pilot and a North Carolina licensed General Contractor. Prior to being a pilot, I owned and ran a construction company. We still enjoy designing and building.

Southern Village is a special community. We love that the kids can walk to Scroggs or Culbreth or the Market Street shops, that we can ride bikes and see friends of all ages within a few blocks. We love having Weaver Street and the pharmacy and parks nearby.

Like most of us, we are deeply vested in Southern Village and care about its future. I hope that I could serve the SVHOA Board by offering perspectives from both single family as well as townhome owners. My understanding is that there are many important decisions to be made in the coming years, and I believe my experience in construction and working with contractors can add a helpful perspective to those discussions.