

Melissa Thurman, CMC
City Clerk
City of San Bruno

Melissa Thurman became the first appointed City Clerk for the City of San Bruno in May 2018. In 2007, Melissa began her career as an Executive Assistant to the City Planner in San Bernardino. In 2013, Melissa moved to Half Moon Bay, where she began working as a Deputy City Clerk. Two years later Melissa began working as an Assistant City Clerk in Redwood City before finally settling in San Bruno, home of the San Francisco Airport.

In 2017 Melissa earned her Certified Municipal Clerk designation, as well as earning the title of Athenian Fellow with IIMC. Melissa has served on various committees and boards with CCAC, IIMC and the League of CA Cities since 2013. Melissa served as Athenian Dialogue Coordinator for CCAC, and during her tenure in that position she implemented the successful "Training Weekends" which consisted of a Region Workshop, followed by an Athenian Dialogue. Melissa also re-constructed and organized the IIMC approved book list, which was adopted by IIMC and now in use on their website for clerks across the country to use. Melissa has a passion for low-cost educational opportunities for City Clerks and is a cheerleader for the many trainings available to Clerks through CCAC and IIMC. In 2018 Melissa ran for the position of 2nd Vice President for CCAC and is excited for her future both with CCAC and IIMC.

Melissa lives in Half Moon Bay with her partner Adam and their dog Sumo, as well as an assortment of fish living in their 285-gallon freshwater tank, including the king of the aquarium, Grumpy, a 15" sailfin Plecostomus. In her spare time, which these days is not easy to be found, Melissa enjoys hosting her podcast "The Last Ovation" from her in-home studio, with her father, Jeff acting as her chief producer and scriptwriter.