

Christy Holstege was elected to Palm Springs City Council in November 2017 to serve a four-year term. Christy currently serves on the following City Council Subcommittees: College of the Desert West Valley Campus, Palm Springs Public Library, Affordable Housing, Homelessness, Business Retention/Economic Development, Grants and Scholarships, and the Downtown Palm Springs Park. She also represents the City of Palm Springs on the Coachella Valley Association of Governments' Homelessness and Public Safety Committees, the Riverside County Community Action Commission, and the Friends of the Palm Springs Animal Shelter.

Christy also works as a third-generation civil litigation attorney at her family's law practice in Palm Springs. Christy focuses her practice and pro bono efforts serving people with disabilities, LGBTQ people, homeless individuals, injured workers, personal injury victims, and victims of discrimination and violence.

Prior to being elected to Palm Springs City Council, Christy was awarded a Stanford Law School-Stanford Public Interest Foundation Fellowship and funding to establish a legal aid clinic for domestic violence survivors within the Coachella Valley's only domestic violence shelter. Christy has also represented farmworkers in civil rights, housing, and employment litigation at California Rural Legal Assistance in Coachella, California. Christy earned a J.D. from Stanford Law School and a B.A. in Cultural Anthropology from U.C. Santa Barbara.

Christy has been an active member of the Palm Springs community, serving on the board of directors for Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest, Well in the Desert, Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, and Shadylane Mobilehome Park. She also served on the City of Palm Springs Human Rights Commission and the Palm Springs Homelessness Task Force.

Christy is proud to live in Palm Springs with her husband Adam Gilbert, who is a business owner and a third-generation resident of Palm Springs, and their dogs Layla and Ollie. They live in Sonora Sunrise in a home that their family has resided in for over 45 years.