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Question applies to multiple boards

Applications are accepted for the calendar year only. The Olympia City Council's General Government Committee recommends appointments to the full Council. Recommendations are made following review of applications and interviews of qualified candidates.

The City of Olympia values participation from all perspectives and life experiences and looks for equity and inclusion in advisory board appointments.

Three absences from meetings in a year may result in removal from an advisory board.

Questions? Contact Susan Grisham, Executive Assistant, 360.753.8244, sgrisham@ci.olympia.wa.us

If you saved or submitted an application and did not receive a confirmation, please check your spam folder.

**The City of Olympia is committed to the non-discriminatory treatment of all persons in employment and the delivery of services and resources.**

*When filed with the City, your application and attachment documents are public records and may be subject to public release.*

Epidemiologist

Occupation

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**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**


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 Planning Commission: Submitted
 

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Question applies to multiple boards

**If you applied for multiple boards or commissions, please rank them in order of interest below.**

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**Select Your Neighborhood (you must live within Olympia City limits to serve on a board or commission) \***

Bigelow Highlands

**If you choose "other" please write in your neighborhood here:**

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**Interests & Experiences**

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Please keep answers concise and informative. You are introducing yourself to the Olympia City Council and sharing with them why you are interested in being considered for appointment. Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration. You may attach a resume.

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**1. Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this advisory committee.**

I want to help build an Olympia that is ready for the challenges of the next century while addressing some of the problems of the previous century. I care about building a great community for my family and through a sense of civic service.

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**2. Describe your qualifications and/or skills which would benefit this advisory committee.**

I am a Senior Epidemiologist that has worked on healthy community design and now climate change and health. I have a lot of research and data capacity and can help bring in the health sector's perspective on community design issues. I also value and invest in building my skills around equity and inclusion and want to help bring that to the committee.

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**3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.**

I have lived here since 2012 and worked for the State. I own a home here and have served on the planning commission for the past three years, one of those years as chair. I also serve on a equity and inclusion workgroup at Roosevelt Elementary.

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**4. List your educational and professional background and area of study.**

Bachelors in Anthropology from WWU Masters of Public Health, UW Masters of Public Policy, UW International Health, 5 years Non-profit Policy Advisor, 2 years Epidemiologist/Manager, 7 years

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**5. Appointment to this committee will require your attendance at evening meetings. How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?**

Whatever it takes. I think 10 hours per week is about the max I can manage but prefer to stay at 2-5

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**6. If you are not appointed to this committee at this time:**

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**6a. Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another advisory committee?**

Yes  No

Question applies to multiple boards

**6b. Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to this committee?**

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Yes  No

Question applies to multiple boards

**6c. Would you be willing to volunteer for other City activities?**

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Yes  No

Question applies to multiple boards

**If you answered yes to 6a, please identify what other Advisory Committees you would be interested in being considered for in order of interest.**

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Question applies to multiple boards

**7. Some appointments require that applicants reside within Olympia city limits. Even though your mailing address may be Olympia, you may reside in the County or another jurisdiction. Are you a resident of the City of Olympia?**

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Yes  No

Question applies to multiple boards

**8. Citizens appointed to advisory committees are assigned and required to use a City email address for all advisory committee business.**

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**Do you agree to comply with this expectation?**

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I Agree \*

Question applies to multiple boards

**9. How did you learn about this advisory committee recruitment?**

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email

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Upload a Resume

Question applies to Planning Commission

**10. In your own words, what is the role of an Olympia Planning Commissioner?**

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To bring context and expertise to a committee that is the steward of the comprehensive plan that represents the vision of the community for its future.

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**11. What interests you most about community planning?**

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Planning has the power to have massive impacts on public health, well being, prosperity, and to promote equity and inclusion. I want to help steer us towards positive impacts in those areas.

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**12. What skills would you bring to the work of the Planning Commission and what do you hope to learn?**

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From my professional life I have skills in data analysis and interpretation. I can contribute to discussions on metrics and evaluation and possibly identify gaps

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**13. Have you ever taken a Short Course in Local Planning, read an OPC packet or attended a meeting?**

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Yes, but it's been a while. I should go again.

Question applies to Planning Commission

**14. What is your knowledge of the City's Comprehensive Plan and how it relates to planning?**

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I have read the comprehensive plan and especially read the housing and transportation sections closely.