



**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION
CITY OF OLYMPIA VOLUNTEER ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

2013 APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

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Individual applications are required for if you wish to apply for more than one committee. Please place a check mark in front of the committee you are applying for with this application.

- Arts Commission
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Design Review Board
- Heritage Commission

- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (see criteria)
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
- Planning Commission
- Utility Advisory Committee

Applications filed by 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 4, 2013 will be considered in the first round of screening. 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 use this form or another sheet of paper for your answers. You may attach a resume'. **An Olympia map with your residence clearly marked MUST BE SUBMITTED with your completed application. Yahoo, Google, or other similar web maps are acceptable.**

Once filed with the City, your completed application is a public record, potentially eligible for release.

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

I am deeply interested in the built environment and the ways in which the quality of our individual lives and of communities as a whole can be impacted by thoughtful design. Olympia has the potential for preserving its existing natural beauty as well as continuing to develop as a flourishing and vibrant community, and I would like to play an active part. I believe that I have the energy, awareness, and degree of skills to contribute in a positive way.

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

I have worked as a planner for the City of Napa, California, have a Land Use & Natural Resources professional certificate from UC Davis, and an interdisciplinary graduate degree in Community Sustainability from Sonoma State University (CA). I believe I understand to some degree the issues and complexities of urban development, and the processes that play into guiding the design of a community's environment. I am currently studying for acquisition of a LEED Green Associate credential, and have a strong interest in the positive changes that are emerging with regard to our human-made surroundings and the influence those can have on a community's health and prosperity.

3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia Community.

I moved to Olympia in the fall of 2005, and have lived and worked in the Olympia area since that time. I have

participated as a volunteer with the Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge, South Sound GREEN (Thurston Conservation District), Native Plant Salvage Project, and the Nisqually Stream Stewards. I am an active supporter of downtown merchants and local businesses, and an enthusiastic partaker in events such as Arts Walk, Procession of the Species and the Luminary Procession, Wooden Boat Festival, Sand in the City, Music in the Park, and more.

Until just recently, I was an active resident of the Woodard Lane Co-Housing community, and learned firsthand how a collaborative, consensus-based process can work among a small group of individuals.

4. Please state your current occupation.

I work as an IT professional for the Washington State Legislature, providing deskside support for staff and elected officials, responding to computer related needs and questions, delivering guidance, troubleshooting difficulties, and achieving quick and effective resolutions – and often, needed reassurance. I also teach courses in Legislature-specific software used in the bill making process and participate in curriculum development for those courses.

5. List your educational and professional background and area of study.

- Teacher Certification Training (2005) Saint Martin’s Univ, Lacey, WA
- M.A., Community Sustainability, Interdisciplinary Studies (2004) Sonoma State Univ, Rohnert Park, CA
- Land Use & Natural Resources Professional Certificate (2002) University of California, Davis
- B.A., Liberal Studies (2001) Sonoma State Univ, Rohnert Park, CA

WA State Legislature – Olympia, Washington 2006 - present
Computer Support Specialist (2008-present)
Administrative Coordinator (2006-2008)

City of Napa – Napa, California 1999 - 2002
Assistant Planner

Napa County Superintendent of Schools – Napa, California 1997 - 1999
Credentialing Specialist

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

I could commit to four hours per month, possibly a little more.

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

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| Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another advisory board? | Yes <u> X </u> | No <u> </u> |
| Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to this board? | Yes <u> X </u> | No <u> </u> |
| Would you be willing to volunteer for other City activities? | Yes <u> X </u> | No <u> </u> |

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

Yes X No

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

Through conversation with Jerry Parker and Kim Andresen of the City of Olympia Planning Commission at a recent NW EcoBuilders Guild workshop and a sustainability symposium, Vision2Action series "The Architecture 2030 Challenge," organized by Sustainable Thurston.

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

AN OLYMPIA MAP WITH YOUR RESIDENCE CLEARLY MARKED MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION. A resume' may be submitted IN ADDITION to the application. When filed with the City, your application and attachment documents are public records, and may be subject to public release.

Applications are accepted for the calendar year only. Submit by: Friday, January 4, 2013, 5:00 p.m. to be considered in the first round of screening.

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The Olympia Council's General Government Committee recommends appointments to the full Council. The recommendations are made following review of applications and personal interview of qualified candidates.

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