



City of Olympia Boards and Commissions Committee Application

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Friday, December 13th at 5:00 PM PST

Advisory committees are a structured way for individual community members to share their opinions and perspectives, study issues, and develop recommendations in a focused small group. Their primary purpose is to provide judicious advice, from a community member's perspective, to the Olympia City Council.

Committee activities may include study of critical issues, hearing public testimony, independent research, and reviewing staff reports and recommendations - all of which is intended so that the committee is prepared to discuss, formulate, and forward well-developed, thoughtful recommendations to the City Council in a timely manner.

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

To reduce barriers to community member participation, the City offers stipends of \$25 per meeting attended to Advisory Committee members. Those members who certify as low income are eligible to receive stipends of \$50 per meeting attended. Advisory Committee members may waive the stipend upon request.

The Olympia City Council's Community Livability and Public Safety Committee recommends appointments to the full Council. Recommendations are made following review of applications and interviews of qualified candidates.

All of this careful consideration takes time, please be aware that you will not be notified until February of 2025 of any next steps in the process.

The City of Olympia is committed to the non-discriminatory treatment of all persons in employment and the delivery of services and resources. Questions? Contact Dawn Carvalho, Executive Services Assistant, 360.753.8065, dcarvalh@ci.olympia.wa.us

If you saved or submitted an application and did not receive a confirmation, please check your spam folder. When filed with the City, your application and attachment documents are public records and may be subject to public release.

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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?

Yes

Select your residential area (Olympia residency is not required; however, it is a primary consideration.)

Southeast

Which Boards and Commissions would you like to apply for?

Metropolitan Parks District Advisory Board

Interests & Experiences

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. You may attach a resume.

Attach a Resume

 RG Resume 2024.docx

Briefly describe why you wish to serve on this/these Advisory Committee(s).

Having lived and raised two children in Olympia, access to parks and open spaces was incredibly important to our family. Now that my kids are grown, I want to give back to the community in a way that helps to ensure that, in the future, Olympians have the same level of access to parks as we did.

Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the advisory committee(s) you are applying to.

Per the job description on olympiawa.gov, the skills and talents that are looked for include finance, accounting and/or budgeting. As my resume describes, those are the skills I've applied throughout my career and I'd love the opportunity to apply them to support the OMPD Advisory Committee.

Share the ways you've been involved or have volunteered in the community.

As my children progressed through the Olympia public school system, I held a number of education-related volunteer positions including Treasurer and then President of the Pioneer Elementary PTA. I then volunteered for several years at the Olympia Education Foundation. I've also supported the Seattle Colleges scholarship program for the past five years.

List your educational and/or professional background and area of study.

As my resume shows, my undergraduate educational background is in Accounting and Finance, supplemented by an MBA. My professional experience has primarily been in the fields of Accounting and Finance, and I am currently Chief Financial Officer at WSECU.

Appointment to an advisory committee will require your attendance at evening meetings, and undertake other work (reading, meeting preparation etc.). How many hours per month are you willing to commit as a volunteer?

According to the position description at olympiawa.gov, the position on the OMPD Advisory Committee has two 90-minute meetings per year in the evening. I have capacity to meet that commitment and can give additional evening time if needed.

Question Applies to the Metropolitan Park District Advisory Committee: Describe any experience you have in budgeting, accounting or parks-related finance that may benefit this advisory committee.

My entire professional career has been in Accounting & Finance which includes budgeting. While I do not have direct parks-related experience, I firmly believe that my professional experience can be directly applied to this role in a beneficial manner.

If you are not appointed to a Board or Commission at this time:

Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another Board or Commission?

No

Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to your preferred Board or Commission?

Yes

Thank you for your interest in serving on a City of Olympia Advisory Committee!

Please hit the "submit" button below when you have completed your application .

Randy D. Gunderson

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SUMMARY

- Progressive financial professional focused on improving financial well-being in our communities while achieving strong financial performance for my business
- Focused experience in finance, accounting and risk management
- Extensive leadership experience of finance and operations professionals
- Holds both an MBA and CPA

AREAS OF RECOGNIZED EXPERTISE

- Strategic Planning & Forecasting
- Financial Analysis
- Risk Management
- Investments and Portfolio Management
- Banking and Financial Services
- Lending and Credit Analysis
- Leadership
- General Ledger and Accounting

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief Financial Officer – Risk Officer

Washington State Employees Credit Union, Olympia, WA

10/09 - Present

Key Responsibilities:

- Develop organization's strategic & execution plans that deliver value to members, community and employees while producing sustainable financial results for the cooperative.
- Oversee all aspects of Accounting including direct interface with regulatory and audit agencies
- Oversee all aspects of Finance including treasury, risk management and profitability analysis
- Oversee Facilities and Real Estate including employee safety & security and maximizing the value of corporate held real estate assets.
- Oversee Compliance functions including accountability for Enterprise Risk Management function
- Oversee Investment Advisory team that focuses on helping every member take their next-best step financially regardless of their current financial position and experience
- Board of directors for wholly and jointly owned subsidiaries including One Washington Financial and Compliance Services Group, LLC

Verity Credit Union, Seattle, WA

Chief Financial Officer

9/98 – 10/09

Progressive Seattle-area credit union with over \$500 million in assets

Key Responsibilities:

- Accounting & Finance including direct interface with internal & external audit and regulatory agencies.
- Facilities and Administration including oversight of branch design and construction.
- Mortgage Secondary Marketing including development of product pricing methodology and bulk asset sales.
- Management of Subsidiary for Insurance, Investment Services and other services.
- Chair of Asset/Liability Management Committee with direct responsibility for risk management.
- Chair of Product Pricing Committee with direct responsibility for deposit product pricing.
- Direct responsibility for \$60 million investment portfolio.
- Budget planning and preparation, including oversight of variance review.
- Development of long-term business strategies and financial modeling for potential outcomes.
- Direct interface with Board of Directors on finance related issues and act as management's representation to the Board's Finance Committee.
- Oversight of customer data interface analytics functions.
- Communicate with Verity's membership and industry professionals through regular postings to Verity's BLOG.

Alaska Distributors Co., Seattle, WA

Senior Accountant

Family-owned wine and spirits distributor across Washington and Alaska

4/95 - 9/98

GNA Corporation, Seattle, WA

Lead Accountant, Financial Analyst

National insurance firm specializing in annuities and investment vehicles

10/89 - 4/95

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

WSECU Services Company, Board member

2018 - Present

Olympia School District Education Foundation, Board Member, Chair, Grants Committee

2015 – Present

Compliance Services Group, Board Member

2015 – Present

Q-Cash Financial, Ex-officio Board Member

2009 – Present

One Washington Financial, Board Member

2009 – Present

Member, CUNA CFO Council

2009 – Present

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Master of Business Administration – focus on Finance & Management

Seattle University - Seattle, WA

Bachelor of Science, Finance

Bachelor of Science, Accounting

Central Washington University - Ellensburg, WA

CPA (Inactive) – Washington State

CUNA Financial Management School

CUES School of Business Lending

INTERESTS

- Supporting public education including PTA and Foundation volunteering
- Outdoor activities including snow & waterskiing, mountain biking, tennis & golf
- Investing and real-estate management
- Spending time with family