

Application Form

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VP of Product (software development)

Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Utility Advisory Committee

Eastside

Select Your Neighborhood

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

Interests & Experiences

Question applies to multiple boards.

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. An Olympia map with your residence clearly marked **MUST BE SUBMITTED** with your completed application. Yahoo, Google, or other similar maps are acceptable.

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

I find the UAC's work to be fascinating: from the areas of emphasis – stormwater, sea-level rise and utility infrastructure, to the strategic initiatives – planning, finance and public/private incentive planning. As a lifelong Olympia resident I've watched the city grow and change in so many ways. I'm excited about the work being done to make Olympia a livable and accessible place for our diverse community with an eye towards long-term sustainability. Exploring green building during the construction of our home here in Olympia gave me great insight into the incredible work that Public Works does – the opportunity to learn more and contribute to that work is really exciting. I believe my experience in strategic planning, systems design and collaborative design processes will allow me to offer a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing the UAC.

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

Professionally, I've spent the last 18 years helping businesses, nonprofits and educational institutions develop and deploy complex software products and the complex technical infrastructure underlying those products. I have extensive experience in project management, software development and user-experience design, all of which have far reaching applicability. I have an extensive background in learning about and designing of complex systems – during my career I've become adept at quickly absorbing subject matter expertise while also having an appreciation for the complexity of subject areas and the boundaries of my knowledge in them (known unknowns vs. unknown unknowns, as it were). I've spent much of my career helping to build organizations that succeeded through a combination of team collaboration and individuals empowered to make responsible decisions.

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3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.

I've served as both a board member and president of the Eastside Neighborhood Association as well as participating in the Collation of Neighborhood Associations. I've been a participant in numerous community forums – from neighborhood development conversations to City-wide long-term planning initiatives. Our family is a strong supporter of the Interfaith Works Emergency Overnight Shelter – providing financial, organizational and technical support as well as bringing a monthly dinner for guests since it's inception. We also provide financial support to a variety of other local non-profits Finally, I'm an entrepreneur focused on creating small companies in Olympia that pay living wage jobs and that contribute to a thriving community of local, small businesses.

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

I've worked in a variety of roles – vacillating between software development, design and strategic business & product planning. My resume, attached, provides detail on the positions I've held as well as my accomplishments and responsibilities in those roles.

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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?

12 - 16

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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

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

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

Yes No

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

Yes No

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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?

Yes No

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

Do you agree to comply with this expectation?

I Agree *

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

Cheryl Selby

[lukebowerman_resume.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

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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 an interview of qualified candidates.

For further information, contact Susan Grisham, Executive Assistant, 360.753.8244, sgrisham@ci.olympia.wa.us

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

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