

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION CITY OF OLYMPIA VOLUNTEER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

2016 APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

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

	Arts Commission	Utility Advisory Committee
	Planning Commission	
	Design Review Board	
Х	Heritage Commission	

Applications filed by <u>4:00 p.m., Friday, February 12, 2016</u> 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 resumé. 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.

In the past, I have served whatever community I've lived in by volunteering with community-based nonprofit organizations. I see working on the citizen advisory board as a way to contribute in a meaningful way, with my professional expertise and experience, to the community that has been so welcoming and nurturing to me and my family.

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

The Heritage Commission needs four professionals from the fields of architecture, historic preservation, anthropology, history, and law. As a professional archaeologist, I would be able to fulfill one of the requisites. My experience working with a variety of cultures and ethnicities, my familiarity with federal, state, and local regulatory contexts, my experience in identifying, evaluating and protecting historic places, and my level of comfort with Olympia (and Washington State) history and prehistory would be of benefit to the Commission. I have presented projects to local historical societies and historic commissions and am very comfortable reading project plans and both environmental and cultural technical reports. I am a strong advocate of public outreach in historic preservation and have developed outreach programs for adult avocational archaeologists, volunteer programs for students, and smaller scale outreach programs for grade school students.

3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.

I have lived and worked in Olympia for the past 15 years. When I first moved here, I worked at the Downtown YMCA. My years at the Y and the fact that my partner is a 3rd generation Olympian helped me swiftly integrate into the community and has given me a deep appreciation for Olympia's past. I live in a vibrant Westside neighborhood, within

walking distance of the Downtown. We have block parties, lean over the fence for a chat in the afternoons, and keep an eye out for each others' pets and children. One of the things I love about my adopted hometown is this sense of community (with a capital C) my neighborhood so well represents. Working Downtown and having relatives that live in the Marina has helped me see that the "small town" quality of Olympia is present outside of the Westside. I love this about Olympia and would like to continue to find ways to create more opportunities for inclusiveness and community pride.

4. Please state your current occupation.

I am a professional archeologist. I work for the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife in Olympia.

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

I am a professional archeologist. I work for the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife and have worked for South Puget Sound Community College, USACE, and in the private sector. My undergraduate work focused on shoreline resources (shell middens); my graduate research (at Evergreen State College) focused on landscape archaeology (the study of people's interaction with the landscape) and environmental restoration. As a professional, I have worked on both historic and prehistoric archaeological site excavation and recordation, as well as the review of projects with the context of various federal, state, and local regulations. I have attached a resume.

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?

12 - 15 during the summer; more in the fall and winter

7.	If you are not appointed to this committee at this time:				
	Do you wish to be considered for appointment to another advisory board?	Yes_		No	Χ
	Do you wish to be considered for future appointment to this board?	Yes	Х	No	
	Would you be willing to volunteer for other City activities?	Yes	Х	No	

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?

9. Citizens appointed to advisory committees are assigned and required to use a City email address for all advisory committee business; can you comply with this expectation? Yes X No

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

A former Historic Commission member mentioned that he was leaving and suggested I look into applying for a position. When I investigated, I learned from Michelle Sadlier that there is still an open position. Michelle encouraged me to apply.

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 resumé 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, February 12, 2016, 4:00 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 an interview of qualified candidates. For further information, contact:

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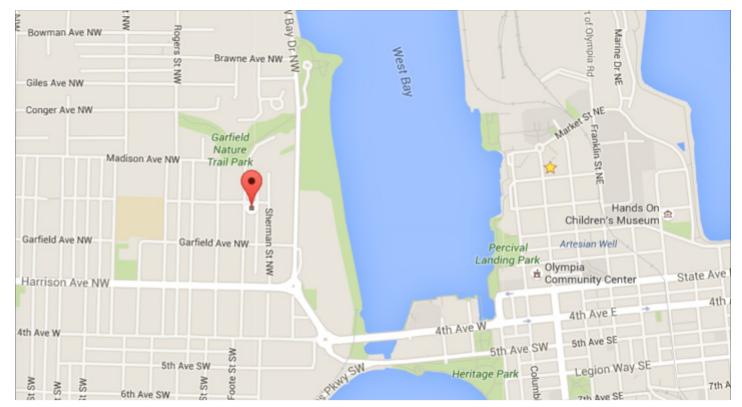


Figure 1. Location of my house, near the Garfield Nature Trail Park.