



Thursday, October 6, 2022

City of Olympia Lodging Tax and Advisory Committee Application

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 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 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.

Name

Don Olea

Email

[REDACTED]

Address

[REDACTED]

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

Primary Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Alternate Phone Number

[REDACTED]

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.

Briefly describe why you wish to serve on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

I am a resident of the Olympia Wa. area. I believe my experience in hospitality will be an asset to the committee.

Describe your experience, qualifications, and/or skills which would benefit the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

My career in the hospitality industry has been extensive. I have worked in hotels in SW Washington, Eastern Washington, the Oregon Coast and Portland, Oregon.
I have been a hotel controller since 2017 and recently I have become the General Manager at the Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake

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

I have not been directly involved in community events

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

I have some college at the community college level, majoring in Psychology.
My professional background is extensive in the Pacific Northwest

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?

I would like to know the requirements

Describe your experience with and knowledge of the Lodging Tax and how it is used?

My career in hospitality has been a direct exposure with day to day collection of Lodging Tax. The taxes are used to fund entities and events in our city and area.

Would you be willing to volunteer for other City activities? You can find opportunities here:

No

https://www.olympiawa.gov/news__information/employment__volunteering/volunteer_opportunities.php

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

The application process will close on December 16, 2022. for questions contact Dawn Carvalho, Executive Services Assistant, 360.753.8065, dcarvalh@ci.olympia.wa.us