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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, beginning April 1, 2021, the City will offer 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.

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 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 Susan Grisham, Executive Assistant, 360.753.8244, sgrisham@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.

Attorney/Judge _____
Occupation

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Submitted

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If you applied for multiple boards or commissions, please rank them in order of interest below.

Select Your Neighborhood (you must live within Olympia City limits to serve on a board or commission) *

West Bay Drive

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

Interests & Experiences

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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.

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

I am an avid runner, walker, and biker in this community and seek to improve greater access for other bikers and pedestrians and further incentivize and enhance these modes of travel for all.

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

Besides my previous statement, I have lived and traveled broadly and have always been a foot traveler and envision creating and sustaining broader appeal. I am an attorney by trade and understand there are legal impediments and considerations behind any ideas to make improvements in human powered travel.

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3. Describe your involvement in the Olympia community.

Although here less than a year, I bought a home with the intention of remaining here and establishing my roots. I have volunteered at several conservation sites to plant native trees and bushes. I have spent time cleaning camps for the unhoused, and part of my walking travels around the city always involve cleaning litter when I can.

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

BS in Education (4 years HS teacher) JD with 19 years in the law including as a trial judge. Military veteran.

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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?

10-20. More if needed.

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

Planning, Parks and Rec, Arts, Heritage.

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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. Appointees 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?

Social Media

Upload a Resume

