

Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Arts Commission

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Seat #6 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Caroline Kert
 2030 Gayathri Vinay
 2029 Jill Katzenberger
 2028 Jeffrey Kash
 2027 Yaelaed Whyel
 2026 Sheryl Cardozo
 2026 Maria Cole

Occupation:

Attorney

 Executive Director
 AVP Community Relations
 Warehouse Manager
 Educator, communication specialist, actor
 Architect

Status:

Occupied
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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2018

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Masters degree U of Illinois MFA in Acting

Occupation / Major of Study Pianist/ performer/ director and now Owner - Painting with a twist

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have been in the arts my entire life. I started as a pianist when I was a little human and by age 10. I was playing recitals and competitions. I got my masters degree in acting and spent the next couple of decades performing directing producing programming and teaching. I also ran a non-for-profit that focused on the arts for 20 years, which included programming and operating a four theater complex that was home to hundreds of itinerant artistic companies. Now I own and operate a painting studio and teach painting classes. And I play in some classic rock bands☐☐

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I've never had experience with this particular board

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Create a more vibrant artistic scene here in Boulder. The potential here is so promising.

Date

12/10/2025 05:10 PM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 19, 2026 11:57 am
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2023

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Occupation / Major of Study scientist and professor

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Arts Commission because a thriving, vibrant arts community makes our city more livable, inviting, and interesting. While I am a relatively new resident in Boulder, my family has decades long ties to the City and we have had a place between Boulder and Nederland for many years. I have long enjoyed the evolving vibrant arts scene here - it was no surprise to me when Boulder was named one of the top 10 medium-sized arts communities in the US - the thriving arts scene is one of the reasons we chose to relocate to the downtown area of the city. As a fiber artist and arts supporter and enthusiast, I believe art can connect us more deeply to place and to those with whom we share it. Finding more and new ways to support our local art community and to engage our neighbors in the arts, gives us a terrific opportunity to enhance community well-being, connect us more deeply to the place we live, and bring more joy and fun to our city.

This is an exciting time in the life of Boulder to engage more deeply in ways to support and grow the arts here. As a result of extensive service experiences on Boards and a Town Commission in the past, I understand the role volunteers have in such a position, and I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to the Boulder community in this capacity. The kinds of skills I would bring to the role of Commissioner stem from my long career as a scientist and professor, my service on many local, regional and national Boards, and my experience on the Town of Berthoud CO Planning Commission and as Chair of the Committee that oversaw the work of gathering public input and drafting the refreshed Town Comprehensive Plan. Beyond these experiences, I am very interested in developing new connections with both artists and arts organizations in Boulder and I am very excited learning more about the arts community in the city.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had previous experience with the Commission other than viewing videos of past meetings, and reading the materials available on the City website about the Commission and its portfolio. Since moving to Boulder I have started making connections with local arts organizations and would welcome the experience of being a liaison with artists and arts organizations. Through the background research I have done to learn more about the commission and the planning processes underway, it is my understanding that experience/expertise related to community engagement, using data in decision making, ensuring access to the arts across many dimensions of diversity, and responsible governance, assessment and oversight of publicly funded programs are particularly relevant in work of the Commission in the coming years. I believe many of the skills I developed and experiences I have had resonate well with the work of the Arts Commission.

In my work as a scientist, I wrote grants to fund my research and oversaw the work of staff who implemented programs related to the grants. I have extensive experience in program development, assessment, and reporting, and I have served on scores of grant review panels at local, regional and national levels. I also have created programs to engage minority and marginalized groups in science and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, ARTS, and Mathematics) programs. Some of the particular skills and experiences I have that seem timely and relevant include strategic thinking and planning, developing milestones and formative and summative tools to assess progress toward meeting programmatic goals, leading community input discussions as part of community engagement, and building community and nurturing partnerships. In my role as a university administrator, I also gained experience in conflict mediation, budgeting, and implementing diversity initiatives. I hope that these skills and experiences would add some helpful perspectives to the work of the Commission arts and culture staff.

I might also add a new dimension of diversity to the Commission. One of the fastest growing segments of the population in Boulder is senior citizens, and engagement and arts and cultural programs can have a truly positive influence on the overall quality of life for older residents in our community. I would hope that I could, as appropriate, offer a perspective that considers the concerns and priorities of older residents in the work of the Office of Arts and Culture staff and the Arts Commission.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

First, I would look forward to building relationships to be a good collaborator on the work with the commissioners and staff. I would hope through my service to be an effective, engaged, and enthusiastic liaison between the Commission and the Boulder arts community to better identify needs and opportunities in the arts community, and to find creative ways to prioritize and meet those needs. I would like to help strengthen the capacity for meaningful assessment of arts programs funded by the City. I would be especially excited to help nurture current and new linkages between the arts and science communities - artists are crucial partners for interpreting science in ways that resonate with the communities they live in. Finally I would hope that my service helped the Commission and Office of Arts and Culture provide more opportunities for artists and community members alike for creative expression and engagement.

Date

01/19/2026 11:49 AM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 25, 2026 3:17 pm
Unique ID: 1426318808

Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 2025

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution

Mattress Firm / Arts & Entertainment Contractor

Occupation / Major of Study

Sales / Fine Arts

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Arts Commission because I want to actively contribute to the cultural fabric of a community I've been invested in since I was a teenager. Art has been central to my life-I attended Mississippi School of the Arts as a visual arts major, earned a two-year degree in fine arts with a focus on psychology, and originally planned to pursue art therapy here in Colorado. While my path shifted, my commitment to the arts never wavered, and I've built a life here working across multiple creative fields.

My lived experience spans visual arts, street performance, stage productions, film, comedy shows, and arts-focused charities. Much of this work has been volunteer-based, demonstrating my dedication to the arts community beyond financial incentives. As soon as I moved to Boulder last year, I volunteered for Boulder Arts Week and am committed to volunteering every year I'm able. As a production assistant for various live events, I've developed strong skills in organization, logistics, and understanding the practical needs of executing arts programs and community outreach-skills that translate directly to effective board service.

I'm deeply invested in making this city better, and serving on the Arts Commission feels like a natural extension of both my experience and my long-standing commitment to this community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have volunteered for Boulder Arts Week, am a member of Boulder County Arts Alliance, and I try to make it out to every event they host or promote whenever possible.

**Note: I sent in an earlier application, but the email copy I got showed some information was incorrect for this particular one for some reason, so I am resending it now with the correct information!

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to help ensure the arts give voice to those who don't feel like they have one-whether that's youth, diverse artists, or underserved communities. Having worked across so many creative fields, I've seen firsthand how art heals and unifies, but I've also seen the barriers that keep people from engaging or being heard. I want to help break down those barriers by supporting programs that reach underserved groups, creating pathways for people who don't see themselves as 'creative,' and fostering partnerships that amplify diverse perspectives. Art shouldn't just be accessible-it should be a platform where everyone's story matters. My goal is to help ensure our arts community reflects and elevates the full range of voices in Boulder.

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Submission Time: January 11, 2026 9:10 am
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1988

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Arts commission because of a life long relationship with the performing arts, which I've made into my career for the last 15 years. I've worked on events of a wide range of scales over my 15 years as a stage hand. I went to Ithaca College with a theatre and psychology degree before beginning my career back in Colorado. Since then I've worked on productions from local community productions through to concerts at Mile High stadium in Denver, and everything in between.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

To help the city guide and promote a thriving arts community in the City of Boulder

Date

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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2018

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Occupation / Major of Study Economics & Finance

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have a Masters Degree in business and finance, working currently as Chief Financial Officer (CFO), providing strategic financial and business expertise for multimillion-dollar organizations. I am well-versed in enhancing financial and operational processes. I can deliver key recommendations to executive level management and execute those ideas to improve the performance of organizations. Not only do I have a strong technical background, but my track record demonstrates that I am a results-oriented individual with a long history serving in non-profit/tax-exempt organization governance and advisory roles.

I have 12+ years serving as director on multiple governing boards for professional associations, nonprofits, and other organizations. I've also served more than 15 years on various governing, decision-making and advisory specialty committees, including finance, strategy, small business, research, ethics, global markets, technology, and audit. For some of these committees, I served a committee Chair.

Most recently, I completed a 3-year term as a member of the global Board of Directors of the Institute of Management Accountants, the worldwide association of accountants and financial professionals in business.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No, however I submitted an application and interviewed for this commission/committee in 2021.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to improve awareness in the community through improved communication and marketing strategies of local art and artistic events/activities.

As a finance professional, I would learn how monies have been historically allocated and approved/spent by this commission, and ensure that project approvals meet the responsibilities and goals of this board/commission before making any recommendations or approvals on projects, particularly given the increasing fiscal pressures on government spending. Using this business background, I would advise the city council in connection with all matters relating to the artistic and cultural development of the city. I also have experience scoring and approving grant applications.

I do not represent any particular art discipline, and believe that governing bodies should not necessarily be "representative" of a particular group, but should rather engage in committee business with the intent towards the greater good (of Boulder, and its art community), rather than expressing the interests of a particular representative group.

The most important way to support artists is through increased awareness, participation and access to the arts - all arts. If community members aren't aware of what events are taking place, nor the opportunities to get involved, then we aren't doing our best to promote and make available these experiences. I personally believe that there are many artistic events taking place in the City of Boulder (theatre, exhibitions, structural art) that I am not aware of, and this is my loss, my households' loss, and a loss to the artists that would otherwise gain exposure to a new audience.

If appointed, I would advocate for and assist with marketing/advertising efforts to better promote these activities for improved citizen and artist engagement, and also add fiscal discipline and experience in assessing and selecting projects for approval.

Date

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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 1977

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self / University of Colorado Boulder

Occupation / Major of Study Copywriter, artist / Communication disorders

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As an artist & art instructor, my objective has been not only to inspire others but to enhance their well-being & bring them joy. Seeing that the Arts Commission plays a role in the vision of "...include creativity as an essential ingredient for the well-being, prosperity and joy of everyone in the community" is a vision that I can get behind as it resonates with my objective.

Having served on a variety of Boards as well as chaired committees, I have experience collaborating with others in the decision-making process. I have served on the Board of Directors for the Boulder Chamber of Commerce (where I was also co-founder & chair of the Business Women's Leadership Group), the YWCA of Boulder County, the Colorado Chapter of the National Speakers Association (served as Director of Special Programming), the Newport Homeowners Association, and currently serve on the Board for the Longmont Artists Guild.

I'm a long-time resident of Boulder and, given my many years of living here, I would like to do more to give back to the community that I call home.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have attended meetings hosted by the Office of Arts and Culture. I have served as a volunteer for events hosted by the Boulder County Film Commission, does that count?

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I want to be a part of something that makes a difference in continuing Boulder's artistic development, building a stronger arts community. As an artist, I want to see creative people in Boulder thrive. For instance, I'd like to see studio space made available to artists at prices they can reasonably afford so they're not just creating to pay rent, but actually earning an income that supports their lifestyle. Having attended meetings hosted by the Office of Arts & Culture, I've heard artists express their concerns about the cost of studio space.

Date

01/22/2026 11:09 AM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 15, 2026 4:49 pm
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2000

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Contact Information

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

Stone Cottage Studios

Occupation / Major of Study

Musician

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Arts Commission because I am deeply committed to supporting Boulder's local arts community. Born and raised in Boulder, I feel a strong sense of responsibility to give back to the creative ecosystem that shaped me. It would be an honor to serve in a role that helps local artists thrive and ensures that arts funding meaningfully supports those working within our community.

I am the co-founder of Stone Cottage Studios, which I built alongside my father as a community-focused creative space dedicated to supporting local musicians and artists through audio / video recording, live events and community collaboration. This work gives me direct, lived experience with the needs and challenges facing artists today, including access to funding, space, and sustainable opportunities.

My experience running an arts-based organization, allocating resources, and making community-centered decisions has prepared me to be a thoughtful and effective board member. I bring a service-oriented approach, strong listening skills, and a deep understanding of Boulder's cultural landscape. I am passionate about advocating for local artists and ensuring that public arts support strengthens Boulder's creative community now and into the future.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on this Board (or any board for that matter). However, through my work supporting local artists and operating a community-based arts organization, I have engaged with many of the broader systems that impact artists in Boulder. I am eager to learn, listen, and contribute thoughtfully, and I bring a strong understanding of the needs of local artists and a genuine commitment to serving Boulder's arts community with care and integrity.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help strengthen Boulder's local arts ecosystem by advocating for working artists and ensuring that resources and grants are accessible, equitable, and responsive to community needs. I aim to bring a grounded, artist-informed perspective to decision-making, support transparent and thoughtful grant allocation, and help foster opportunities that allow local artists to sustainably create and contribute to Boulder's cultural life. Above all, I hope to serve with integrity, listen closely to the community, and help the arts in Boulder continue to thrive.

Date

01/15/2026 04:33 PM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 3, 2026 10:50 pm
Unique ID: 1419758755

Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2010

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Naropa University

Occupation / Major of Study Counseling Psychology/Art Therapy

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Other: Jewish Ethnicity

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to serve on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. I have served on various non-profit boards for the past 20 years. One local board I served on until recently retiring was the Naropa University Board of Trustees. I was there during the time when the historic school house property on Arapahoe and 21st Street had to be sold to a developer.

I am also a psychotherapist who specialized in group processes and alternative community building. I have gained valuable skills and insights in successfully navigating groups with differences of opinions. I believe no one person has the 360 degree vision that a Board needs, and the only way to get that is to collaborate with others who know about subjects that I know nothing about. Together, with my experience and that of others, we can have wide and wise vision to serve our community.

I also have a variety of life experiences in my history that will hopefully inform my useful service on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. This includes playing team sports, raising children who played team sports, training as an interior designer and installation artist, and growing up on many construction sites in a builder/developer family.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I currently reside in a house I own that backs up to North Boulder Park. I have done community research and work to provide helpful and insightful input to the City Planners regarding the park renovation plan. I have photographed, interviewed, recorded and documented how various people and groups use the park. I have acted as an advocate for these various park visitors of various generations and the various activities they engage in in the park.

I am also a neighbor to the Alpine-Balsam project and therefore became very familiar with those proposed plans and the outreach for community input as well. We are now living with the construction impacts and inconveniences on a daily basis, (ie. noise, traffic detours, walking pathways blocked off, etc).

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to learn more about City of Boulder projects and how they come to be. I would also like to become more knowledgeable about the city's budget and serve to use taxpayer's money in the very best ways. I hope to be a valuable and helpful voice to maintain our very special city and help it grow and continue to improve. I hope I can help navigate and mediate challenges that will surely arise.

I myself, truly enjoy and appreciate my own wonderful life that I get to have living here in Boulder. Everyone in our community deserves to be considered and supported. My own gratitude for the 15 years I have resided here, fuels my desire to serve and give back to this great little city.

Thank you for considering my application.

Date

12/30/2025 05:01 PM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 24, 2026 4:31 pm
Unique ID: 1426171987

Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution CU Boulder College of Music

Occupation / Major of Study Assistant Dean for Strategic Initiatives

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Thank you for the opportunity to apply to serve on the Boulder Arts Commission! I've been a resident of Boulder for about 2.5 years and during that time the arts and cultural life of the city has become central to my family's experience of this community. The density, quality, and accessibility of artistic activity in Boulder is truly special, and I am eager to contribute my time and professional experience in service of sustaining and strengthening it.

In my current professional role, I serve as Assistant Dean for Strategic Initiatives at the College of Music at CU Boulder. In this role I work closely every day with students, faculty, and staff at the College of Music, including CU Presents and Macky Auditorium, units that regularly interface with the Boulder arts ecosystem. I've also been involved with the transition of Sundance Film Festival to Boulder, specifically the ways in which SFF will utilize CU venues and impact the broader university and city community.

Prior to moving to Colorado, I lived and worked for 16 years in Minnesota, focusing on bipartisan and nonpartisan public policy work. This included three years serving as the executive director a nonprofit organization (\$1M budget, 6 FTE staff, 16-member board), which made me very familiar with the staffing, budgeting and financial realities of nonprofit organizations, and how organizations with slim margins can have an enormous positive impact on the community. While in Minneapolis, I also served on the board of directors (with two years as board chair) of the MacPhail Center for Music, the nation's largest community music school, where I worked closely with fellow board members and staff on strategy, financial oversight, and mission alignment.

Across these roles, I have developed a strong ability to balance big-picture vision with practical implementation, to listen carefully to diverse perspectives, and to serve as a thoughtful connector between organizations and stakeholders. I believe these skills, combined with my lived experience as a Boulder resident and arts participant, would allow me to be an effective and engaged member of the Boulder Arts Commission.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Indirectly - through my work with Macky Auditorium, I am aware that certain arts organizations receive rental fee waivers through a grant program that I understand is overseen by the Commission. While I have not worked directly with the Commission, I am familiar with the important role it plays in supporting arts access and sustainability in the community, and I would welcome the opportunity to deepen my understanding and to contribute to the commission's efforts.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the Boulder Arts Commission, I hope to contribute to Boulder's strong and collaborative arts ecosystem. Working at CU Boulder, I know that Universities are large, specialized, and siloed; they can be insular and difficult for people "on the outside" to understand and navigate. At the same time, having a university of the size and caliber of CU Boulder here in our city is a uniquely awesome cultural asset. In serving on the Boulder Arts Commission, I hope to provide greater transparency and collaboration between CU and the broader arts community. I would bring positive energy, a thoughtful and respectful approach, and professional expertise in nonprofit leadership, music/arts, and board governance. Personally, I would love the opportunity to meet more people in the Boulder area and share my time and energy with this community that I love so much. Thank you for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Date

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Nov 2020

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Occupation / Major of Study

Art History; International Affairs; Journalism; English Language Instruction

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

The arts, in all media, are the lifeblood of a university community like Boulder. I believe my varied experiences would be helpful to the board and the community. I would look forward to learning from experienced members of the commission and to helping them assess the value of new works of art for the community. I recognize that as a recent transplant there is much I still need to understand about Boulder's unique artistic environment.

I have a life-long enthusiasm for the arts, be they visual or performative. I studied ballet from nursery school through high school. I majored in art history in college, developing an eye for art and architecture from ancient through contemporary works in all media. My first post grad-school work was in journalism, where I learned to research and assess information efficiently and in depth. Following a break to raise my two children I completed a masters degree and taught English language to students at the college and graduate levels. After moving to Boulder from New York City in 2020 I was employed at the CU Writing Center for three years, working with students on their written work.

For the past few years I was a board member for the Sphere Ensemble, a string orchestra which performs four times each year in Denver and the Front Range in several Boulder Country venues. In this role I did media outreach to promote the performances, as well as supervise volunteers at concerts. My help for Sphere, which grew out of my musical background as an adult student of the cello, taught me the importance of grant making from the perspective of an innovative and challenged small musical organization.

In retirement I yearn to give back to the community, bringing the skills I have gained over a fortunate life.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would hope to bring my varied experiences and skills to the process of working with other board members. I would hope to support artists in all fields to do their best work, both for their own growth and for the enrichment of the community.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 2024

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Hispanic or Latinx

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Other:

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Arts Commission because I believe that a strong and visible arts and culture ecosystem is essential to a thriving and inclusive Boulder. After nearly a decade working in the commercial art world in New York City and relocating to Colorado, I am eager to become more deeply involved in Boulder's cultural life - not only as a professional, but also as an engaged community member and advocate for the arts and culture in our city. Serving on the Arts Commission will allow me to contribute my experience and support the expansive creative voices that make Boulder so special.

Professionally, my background spans auction houses, commercial galleries and art advisories. I hold a B.A. in Art History and have extensive experience evaluating artwork, working with artists and collectors, coordinating public-facing programs, and navigating the intersection of creativity, business, and public engagement. These roles have required thoughtful decision-making, clear communication, and an ability to balance multiple stakeholder perspectives - skills directly applicable to the commission's work.

Beyond professional qualifications, I bring a strong understanding of how artists sustain their practices, how cultural institutions engage audiences, and how access and visibility impact artistic communities. Having worked in both large-scale art markets and more intimate, relationship-driven settings, I value equity, transparency, and stewardship of resources. I am extremely interested in supporting local artists, public art initiatives, and visual and performing arts programs that make the arts and culture accessible across Boulder's neighborhoods and demographics.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had any experiences with this commission or the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the Arts Commission, I hope to continue to help translate the commission's mission into clear, thoughtful actions that strengthen Boulder's arts and culture ecosystem.

I want to support policies and programs that increase public engagement with both the visual and performing arts, while advocating for funding and resources to be distributed in ways that are equitable, transparent, and responsive to the real needs of the arts community. I want to offer informed and practical recommendations to City Council around cultural development and annual arts funding, with a focus on long-term sustainability. I also want to support the city's efforts to identify and pursue grant opportunities and additional funding sources that expand access to arts programming and strengthen local organizations.

I see this role as a collaborative one. Listening closely to artists, studios and organizations, helping surface shared challenges, and supporting programs that align and shape the goals of Boulder's Arts Blueprint.

Ultimately, I want to help ensure that the commission's work leads to accessible, well-supported arts initiatives that enrich Boulder's cultural life and benefit artists (both visual and performing), organizations, residents, and visitors alike.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 1981

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Occupation / Major of Study Creative/Literature with emphasis in creative writing

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Asian

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Other: I travel for work and also caretake sometimes so I roam around a lot from my home base in Boulder

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I worked as a paid pianist from when I was 10 years old, starting out accompanying violinists, moving on to playing at the Gondolier Restaurant in Boulder when I was in high school, and playing at the Foxhill Country Club as well. I helped offset my costs largely with my work as a musician. I also have sang and played in bands in Boulder and surrounding areas, in Hollywood, and in Brazil. These days, my music is slated to be used for an independent full-length feature film being produced by a director in Los Angeles who works for Fox. I wrote part of the screenplay and will also act in this film.

I founded and ran a literary and arts organization which published a journal called Many Mountains Moving that published literary greats such as Allen Ginsberg, Isabelle Allende, Ursula K. LeGuin, and more, including new and emerging voices and visual artists. After decades of working as an editor and publisher, my own first book will be published this year as well. This gives me a solid background and perspective as a working artist of a number of genres as well as extensive experience in managing and administration in the arts.

I have extensive grant-writing experience and have also advised artists and organizations on submitting a solid grant proposal. I also have experience evaluating grant proposals and also artist applications for fellowships, etc., including judging applicants for the Rocky Mountain Women's Institute, where I served as a fellow for fiction. I also was a recipient for the Colorado Council on the Arts for my fiction.

I have many connections in the arts statewide as well as nationally. Also, there wasn't a way to put this information in on the online form, but I moved here when I was 13 and have spent much of my life here. I have also, since then, spent time in Missouri for grad school, a couple years in Japan, a couple years in Hollywood, and I lived half-time in Brazil for a number of years, and lived in Lafayette as well while spending much of my time in other places for work. In all the places I lived (other than Japan), I have been very active in the arts communities and have learned a lot of knowledge that I'd like to bring to my hometown. I am at a point in my life where I am invested in investing in my hometown that has made me who I am today as an artist and as a person.

I am passionate about using my experience and knowledge to nurture our talented artists and help them blossom and being an advisor will be a perfect match for my skills to give to BAC and our arts organizations and individual artists.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I was on the committee to work with the BAC as the literary representative to help update the cultural master plan update when Donna was on board. Representatives from the arts (Karen Gerrity, Alison Moore, etc.) were all working with BAC to help update the cultural master plan. I was the literary representative because I ran a literary and arts nonprofit called Many Mountains Moving and we published international as well as local authors, sponsored readings, and did a monthly reading series and open mic in partnership with BMoCA at the time. BAC also gave a grant to my nonprofit, Many Mountains Moving (MMM), which was hugely appreciated. I ran MMM for a decade until I had to retire when given a 7 percent chance of survival from a rare and aggressive cancer but I am raring to re-emerge in a different role. Together we can rock with me in my new role as part of the greater whole.

Also, I (like everyone in the area) have benefitted by being part of the local organizations supported by the BAC and have attended many of the events sponsored by the BAC.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to help fill the gaps left in the BAC with the loss of their two excellent advisors who are finishing up their terms. I understand that one of the people leaving has extensive arts-education experience. While obviously I can never replace them, I can contribute my own extensive experience with arts education. I have worked in arts education in middle-school education through university level and beyond, and also collaborate with a number of people and organizations in arts education. I also can bring my perspective as a working artist to the BAC. I collaborate with a lot of artists in the area from students to elderly artists and have my finger on the emotional pulse of the artist community in many fields (music, visual arts, writing, film, and more), and can help represent their voices.

I will help Boulder prepare for a huge boost in the arts including in film as Sundance is coming to the area. This boost will help all the arms of our art community as well as the business owners and residents. I will also help Boulder develop a plan for all of us thriving (the city, the community, the businesses, and the artists) even in a time of uncertainty in ways that support the unique needs of Boulder artists, building on the solid and wonderful blueprint the BAC has already created. Visionary and practical collaboration is the key to making the most of our amazing resources of talent and existing infrastructure, building on the amazing existing blueprint created by the BAC.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2020

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Demographic Information

Gender

Prefer Not To Answer | Prefer Not To Answer

What is your age range?

35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most?

I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income?

I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home?

I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am applying to the Boulder Arts Commission because I am dedicated to its mission of establishing arts and culture as the bedrock of a diverse, inclusive, and resilient community. My commitment is both personal, as a resident raising a family here who cherishes Boulder's unique soul, and professional, as a leader aligned with the goal of fostering economic vitality through a thriving cultural ecosystem.

As Boulder enters a new era of international recognition-signaled most notably by the arrival of the Sundance Film Festival-the Commission's role in stewarding our cultural identity is more critical than ever. We are poised to take a place on the world stage, and I seek to lend my professional skills to ensure we meet this moment with strategic foresight. I want to actively participate in preserving what makes our city exceptional while thoughtfully guiding how the arts in Boulder will evolve for a global audience. My qualifications align directly with the Commission's guiding principles-Collaboration, Diversity, and Stewardship-and I offer relevant experience in the following key areas:

1. Strategic Leadership & Executive Governance

As the former Editor-in-Chief of 7x7, a San Francisco-based media company, I have extensive experience in strategic direction and operations management. I am skilled in high-level decision-making and balancing stakeholder needs-abilities directly transferable to efficient board governance. My background in journalism honed my ability to listen to differing viewpoints and synthesize complex information. I bring a fair, unbiased approach to discussion and am experienced in mediating disagreements to achieve consensus.

2. Economic Vitality & "Place-Making" Perspective

My current role as a Luxury Travel Advisor offers a unique strategic lens; I analyze the factors that make destinations culturally compelling on a global scale. Simultaneously, as owner of The Wildflower, I am continuously learning the realities of maintaining a creative venue in Boulder. I leverage this infrastructure to provide direct artist support-for example, we are planning an upcoming event for the Roots Music Festival to ensure diverse local music programming has resources to thrive. I have applied this dual perspective-combining global strategy with local venue management-to the effort to bring the Sundance Film Festival to Boulder, formally offering The Wildflower as a festival venue and working with key stakeholders to host a fundraiser there. Furthermore, I am using my network to connect local arts patrons with the festival's leadership, aiming to support the transition to Boulder and ensure its long-term viability in our community.

3. Community Engagement & Cultural Equity

I am committed to the Commission's goal of a "full creative life for all residents." I practice this through active involvement, such as participating as a host for Mapleton Hill Porch Fest, where we invited our community to gather at our home and listen to local artists perform, in an effort to reduce barriers to arts access. Previously, I co-founded RoarBoard, an online platform championing community voices, and I bring this dedication to diversity to the Commission. On a personal level, as a parent of three, I have developed essential skills-patience, impartiality, and empathy-which are vital for a Commissioner serving as an ambassador to the community.

4. Academic Foundation, Communication & Stewardship

I hold a Bachelor of Arts in History of Art from UC Berkeley (cum laude), providing a strong foundation for understanding aesthetic value and cultural history. Complementing this is my background as a professional writer and editor; I possess the ability to articulate the critical importance of the arts to diverse audiences with clarity and impact. Combined with my experience managing high-value budgets, I am prepared to apply responsible stewardship to both the management of public funds and the narrative of our cultural community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, my goal is to bridge the gap between Boulder's grassroots artistic energy and the strategic infrastructure needed to make that energy sustainable. I hope to actively participate in preserving what makes our city exceptional while thoughtfully guiding its future development.

I hope to achieve three specific outcomes:

1. Facilitate the Successful Integration of Major Cultural Events
Building on my current efforts to support the Roots Musical Festival and Sundance's move to Boulder, I want to help the Commission ensure that such major transitions are handled with ongoing success in mind. I hope to achieve a model where we not only attract world-class events but integrate them into the local fabric-connecting patrons, venues, and local businesses so these events become sustainable economic drivers rather than limited engagements.

2. Strengthen Infrastructure for Venues and Makers
I hope to champion policies that prioritize the sustainability of our creative spaces. I want to contribute meaningfully to how arts in Boulder will evolve for the next generation, ensuring that venues-from major festivals to local spots-have the support systems they need to thrive without being priced out. I aim to ensure our grants build lasting capacity for our creatives.

3. Foster Accessible, Neighborhood-Centric Art
Finally, I hope to achieve a cultural plan that ensures every resident has consistent, convenient access to the arts. My service would be dedicated to ensuring Boulder remains a vibrant and welcoming place for everyone. I want to expand our definition of cultural equity to include geographical accessibility, ensuring that the vibrancy of downtown extends into the residential fabric of our neighborhoods, as I experienced with Porch Fest. Ultimately, I hope to be a board member who translates high-level cultural vision into practical, actionable policy.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Dec 2024

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Black or African-American

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

In 2024, I and my fellow members of the NAACP Boulder Branch Freedom Fund Committee invited Anthony Ray Hinton, a former Alabama death row inmate, to share his life's journey with the Boulder community. He discussed how he was railroaded by a racist criminal justice system in Alabama. The lawyer Bryan Stevenson, author of Just Mercy, came to Mr. Hinton's rescue by clearing him of all charges. The audience was transformed by Mr. Hinton's testimony. This is the power of inspired storytelling. Through my membership on various arts-related committees, I have helped to bring the Fisk Jubilee Singers and the Nashville African American Wind Symphony to Boulder. These performances have widened the horizons of youth (particularly youth of color) in Boulder. I want to continue this work as a member of the Boulder Arts Commission.

I studied viola at the New England Conservatory of Music as an undergraduate. My professional credits include performances with the MIT Chamber Players, the Howard County Ballet Orchestra, and Opera Express - a chamber opera company on the East Coast. I currently perform as a church musician in the Front Range. While I am grateful to have had these experiences, singing with the Spirituals Project is my greatest achievement in the performing arts. The Spirituals Project, founded by Martin Luther King's speechwriter Dr. Vincent Harding, is dedicated to sharing this art form with the nation.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have attended meetings of the Arts Commission.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Currently, I am in a doctoral program in engineering education at CU Boulder. A portion of my dissertation will be devoted to talent development models. Through service on the Boulder Arts Commission, I hope to provide pathways for Boulder youth to develop their talents in the arts.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 1996

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

The arts reflect our world, both to us now and to future stakeholders. As a Commissioner, I advocate for and support diverse voices, centering not only female-identifying artists like myself, but also those from other under-represented groups. I also champion creative orthodoxies, and a breadth and depth of reflections on Boulder in 2026 that can and will tell our stories in this extraordinary moment in time.

I became an Arts Commissioner in 2023, filling a vacancy, and that opportunity has now reached its planned conclusion. Even more so than when I first applied, I am passionate about the arts and all that local artists and organizations bring to our Boulder community, both culturally and economically. Having been engaged more fully with the local arts scene over the last 3 years has only increased my passion for and commitment to ensuring Boulder citizens can participate in the arts, as makers, learners, hobbyists, and consumers, and to continue reducing barriers to access where they exist.

I'm eager to continue serving on the commission for a complete term because there are exciting opportunities and challenges facing the arts and culture of Boulder, and my voice and experience will be an asset in addressing the challenges that lie ahead. These include finding affordable access to venue and studio spaces, assessing and continuing to adapt the recent changes to the grants program, preparing for Sundance, and rolling out the new Cultural Blueprint.

I hold a master's in education with a focus on arts in education and currently work at Anschutz medical campus using theatre to develop health professional students' communication skills and clinical exam technique. I developed my interest in theatre education when I moved to Boulder in the mid-90s, running theatre camps and classes at Peanut Butter Players and Rocky Mountain Theatre, as well as for neighboring cities..

After receiving my masters, I returned to Boulder and ran the BreakThrough Arts program through the YMCA teen department, offering free after-school arts classes to young people in Boulder (funded in part by the City of Boulder Youth Opportunities Advisory Board). I have grant writing and fundraising experience and in addition to my dramatic work in my 'day job', I am also a freelance writer, storyteller, and stand-up comic. Most importantly, I love the arts and relish the opportunity to help them infuse the City of Boulder with even more life and excitement, solidifying its status as an artistic hub and destination.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

As stated above, I am currently completing a vacancy fill position as a City of Boulder Arts Commissioner. As a result, I have in-depth knowledge of the Arts Commission brief, including the grants process, supporting the development of the cultural blueprint, and overseeing public art. I have a thorough understanding of how grant proposals are evaluated and how decision-making balances artistic merit, public impact, and the need for diverse voices. Serving on the commission over the past three years has helped me better crystallize the city's role in supporting arts and culture-not only as a major funding partner to over 150 artists annually, with more than \$1M worth of grants, but also as a steward of cultural infrastructure and a convener of divergent perspectives.

During my time on the commission, there has been an effort on the part of both the commission and many of our local arts organizations to thoughtfully engage in transparent -and oftentimes challenging - dialogues about how existing systems create barriers for some artists and communities. These continuing conversations ultimately make our process stronger and the arts more representative of the plethora of Boulderites' viewpoints.

My time on the commission has also allowed and encouraged me to engage more broadly with the Boulder arts community, offering another entry point to observe the intersection between local arts funding and the cultural bounty it provides. This perspective allows me to observe the effects of funding, programming, and equity initiatives from the audience and supporter side. Together, these experiences have given me a deep and well-rounded understanding of the arts commission's work-both its strengths, which I proudly proclaim and discuss at every opportunity, and its ongoing areas for growth that I, along with fellow commissioners, am actively working to address.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If re-appointed, I am excited to continue the work I've been doing as a City of Boulder Arts Commissioner. There are two pressing agenda items I am eager to help see through: the Culture Blueprint and Sundance.

The Arts Commission will be involved with raising awareness about the Blueprint as the Staff team rolls it out. I plan to be an ambassador to the community, sharing the news of the blueprint beyond "the usual suspects." In my time on the Commission, I have had too many moments of surprise when encountering community members unfamiliar with all that the City of Boulder does to support the arts. For example, a friend who has lived in NoBo for 20 years was not aware of First Fridays, so I had her join me at one this summer, and she's been a regular since! The creation of the blueprint has already worked to engage not only those community members already steeped in the arts and culture initiatives in Boulder, but also introduced other community members of all that is offered.

Sundance is another big opportunity. This is our chance to establish Boulder on the world cultural map. In addition to the economic impact and upgrades to local venue infrastructure, the festival is a chance to showcase the plethora of arts and culture Boulderites enjoy year-round- even when Timothy Chalamet isn't browsing the titles at the Boulder Bookstore, and the offerings at Peppercorn are not being perused by Emma Stone!

My other personal areas of interest as a commissioner include increasing access to affordable venue and studio space; ensuring artists can live and work, affordably, in Boulder; and supporting and engaging the next generation of art makers and partakers.

I'm excited to continue listening, collaborating, asking good questions, and helping shape decisions that allow creativity to thrive across neighborhoods, disciplines, and communities. As an Arts Commissioner, I will help ensure Boulder's arts scene is bold, accessible, and- because we're Boulder- still, a little bit weird!

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 1983

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Occupation / Major of Study filmmaker

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have been an active working artist for over 40 years. I taught animation production and film production for 23 years at the University of Colorado. I have also been on the board of the C.U. Art Museum (6 years) and on committees at BMoCA. I was an active committee member as an artist advocate for the MacDowell Colony for several years. In the course of my art career as an experimental animator, I have received major grants from the Guggenheim Foundation, Creative Capital and the American Film Institute. My films have screened and won awards internationally. I think I would be an effective advocate for the artists living in the Boulder area, since I have long experience in that role.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have served on committees at BMoCA. most recently as member of the Capital Campaign committee for the new museum project.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to continue to advocate for the arts in Boulder, for arts organizations as well as for individual artists. I am a big believer in the value of the arts, both as a cultural incubator and as a fiscal component of a thriving community. I would like to see Boulder continue to increase awareness of the value of our cultural institutions and also see the city work to make it easier for artists to live in our community. I believe the positive impact of the arts on our community is often understated. I would like to be in a position to help garner and expand community support for the arts in Boulder.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2022

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Stephanie Chen

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Komorebi Ventures LLC

Occupation / Major of Study Owner

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Asian

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I mainly would like to serve and give back to my community. I've been involved in various local, small community politics and volunteer service groups since a young age, serving on various committees and volunteer groups. Although my primary occupation is in tech, I am an active artist and would love to help with community outreach. I attended several public arts educational events in October 2025 and am so grateful to learn about all the amazing resources and grants available to our community. I'd love to help with community outreach and education, really helping artists find access to different resources and services. Help close the gap for the creatives who might not be so great at finding the right resources.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had direct experience with this Board yet. I am a member of various artist communities and can help with community outreach.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

As a new member to the team, I'd like to be a "listener" and really be there to thoroughly understand. Where can I help? and How can we be collaborative together? At the end of the day, I'd like to learn more about initiatives in my community and give back where I can.

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Arts Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1984

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Contact Information

Name Wendy Rochman

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[REDACTED]

Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Alternative arts education. I'm a retired art teacher.

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a lifelong practicing artist, and art educator, retired now, I feel I have a unique perspective on community art. I facilitated the community creation of public art installations at Crestview elementary, and the Martin Drive underpass of the Bear Creek Trail. I am currently a board member of kgnu.org community radio, and I believe that serving on two boards simultaneously will be an opportunity to explore connections among various art disciplines.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I regularly follow the decisions and progress of the Boulder Arts commission. As a singer in Sound Circle a cappella ensemble, I participated in applying for and receiving a grant from the Arts commission back in the 1990s.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope this board will continue to foster further development of multidisciplinary arts. I also look forward to being involved in the proliferation of arts by underrepresented communities. One more thing I would like to emphasize is my dedication to arts education. My first priority, of course, would be to listen and learn.

Date

12/11/2025 11:02 AM

Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Boulder Junction Access District - Travel Demand Management (TDM) Commission

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to unexpired 2 year term through 3/31/28 must be a property owner or rep

Seat #3 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/31 must be a property owner or rep

Seat #5 - Appoint member to unexpired 3 year term through 3/31/2029

Current Members:

2030 Daniel Aizenman
 2029 Kevin Crouse
 2028 Stephanie Pike
 2027 Rebekah Dumouchelle
 2021 Andrew Bush

Occupation:

Operations Manager
 Marketing
 Product Manager/Self Employed
 Retired - Real Estate Developer

Status:

Occupied
 Resigned 11/15/2025
 Removed from Office 5/15/2
 Occupied
 Expired

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: December 8, 2025 12:24 pm
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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Junction Access District - Parking Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2022

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Sage Dalton

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[REDACTED]

Home Phone [REDACTED]

Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

Work Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Ocean First

Occupation / Major of Study General Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have both a personal and professional investment in the development of this area, and I want to contribute my experience, perspective, and commitment to ensuring that growth benefits residents, local businesses, and the natural environment.

In my role over the last 19 years at Ocean First @ 3015 Bluff St, I work directly at the intersection of environmental stewardship, education, and community engagement. I regularly collaborate with partners across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors, which has strengthened my ability to evaluate complex issues, balance multiple stakeholder needs, and bring forward solutions grounded in both science and practical experience.

Professionally, I have built skills in strategic planning, program management, communication, and team leadership. I served as the US Director of Training for Scuba Schools International, a subsidiary of HEAD Sports, for 7 years. This experience has given me the ability to approach issues with clarity and purpose, allowing me to review proposals effectively, understand regulatory considerations, and contribute meaningfully to discussions and decision-making. I am comfortable working with detailed information, asking critical questions, and helping groups reach consensus.

My lived experience as a community member who has lived in and around Boulder County for the last 19 years and cares deeply about responsible development also informs the perspective I bring to this work.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have only participated in community meetings.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Enhance parking accessibility and usability for residents, visitors, and businesses to reduce congestion. Support balanced planning that promotes mobility, aligns with development and environmental goals. Ensure transparent, equitable decisions by including small-business perspectives and community commitment engagement.

Date

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Beverages Licensing Authority

Council Action Requested:

Seat #2 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Lansing Crane
2029 Brendan Hagerty
2028 Ginger Barnes
2027 Michael Carr
2026 Leah Roberts

Occupation:

Business Director and Advisor
Fundraiser
Sales Account Executive

Status:

Occupied
Occupied
Occupied
Occupied
Occupied

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 15, 2026 12:16 pm
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Beverage Licensing Authority

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2015

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Leah Roberts

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Home Phone [REDACTED]

Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

Gaia

Occupation / Major of Study

Digital Product Designer

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to continue serving on the BLA because I believe in giving back to my community and contributing to a process that supports both local businesses and public safety. Serving on this board has given me a strong understanding of the laws, procedures, and responsibilities that come with this role, and I take that commitment seriously. I approach each hearing with preparation, respect, and care for everyone involved. It's meaningful work, and I'd like to continue bringing that focus and dedication to the Authority.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. I currently serve on the Beverage Licensing Authority and have chaired the board since early 2025. During my term, I've presided over renewal, show-cause, summary suspension, and revocation hearings. I have been working closely with city staff, the City Attorney's Office, and community members during my tenure. My experience has given me a strong understanding of the regulatory framework and the practical challenges faced by both license holders and residents.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Yes. Beyond my time on the BLA, I bring strong listening and decision-making skills from my professional background, where thoughtful communication and clarity are essential. Serving on this board has reminded me how important it is to show up for the community, especially in a volunteer role. I value being part of a group that takes the time to understand each situation and balance fairness, accountability, and support for local businesses.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Board of Zoning Adjustment

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Sean Haney
2029 Jill Lester
2028 Drew Eisenberg
2027 Katharine Crane
2026 Nikki McCord

Occupation:

Support Professional
Education/Retired Builder
Engineer
Freelance Writer

Status:

Occupied
Occupied
Occupied
Occupied
Occupied

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 13, 2026 10:12 am
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Board of Zoning Adjustment

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2021

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Craig Hammond

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution The Pennsylvania State University

Occupation / Major of Study Computer Engineering

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in Boulder for approximately ten years and within the city limits for the past five. During that time, I've developed a strong appreciation for both the character of Boulder and the complexity of managing growth in a constrained and highly valued environment. After recently leaving my role as an engineer at a large technology company in Boulder, I am looking for meaningful ways to give back to the community that I've called home for a decade.

Professionally, my background in engineering and large-scale technology organizations required making careful, high-impact decisions in situations where there was often no single "right" answer, only tradeoffs that needed to be evaluated thoughtfully and fairly. In parallel, I currently serve as president of my HOA and sit on the board of another HOA. This experience has strengthened my ability to listen to diverse viewpoints, weigh competing interests, apply governing rules consistently, and communicate decisions clearly and respectfully. If appointed to this board, I would step down from seeking re-election in one of my HOA roles to ensure I can dedicate sufficient time and focus to BOZA responsibilities.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I have not appeared before the Board of Zoning Adjustment directly, I have significant experience working within regulatory frameworks and governance structures where decisions affect property owners, residents, and the broader community. Through HOA leadership, I have regularly engaged with zoning-related constraints, building limitations, variances, and enforcement questions, which has given me an appreciation for how land-use decisions can meaningfully impact people's daily lives.

This experience has helped me understand the importance of consistency, transparency, and due process when reviewing appeals or variance requests - particularly when applicants are navigating complex rules that may not always align neatly with real-world conditions.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to contribute to balanced, pragmatic decision-making that respects Boulder's long-term values while addressing current realities. It is difficult to ignore the amount of land and commercial real estate sitting unused or underutilized while housing costs and business rents continue to rise. While housing affordability is an important focus, I am also interested in how zoning and variance decisions affect small businesses - their ability to start, stay, and grow in Boulder. As someone beginning a small business myself, I often ask why it can feel easier and less costly to locate just outside Boulder in places like Erie.

I deeply value Boulder's green space, trail system, and environmental priorities and believe those assets must be protected. At the same time, I think thoughtful development and redevelopment can coexist with preservation when decisions are made carefully. Ongoing community conversations, such as those around the airport or long-standing properties like the Celestial Seasonings site, highlight the need to balance neighborhood concerns, citywide interests, and long-term land use goals. I would aim to approach these questions with curiosity, fairness, and respect for both individual applicants and the broader Boulder community.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Board of Zoning Adjustment

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2021

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Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution RHAP Architecture + Planning

Occupation / Major of Study Architect

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Asian

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I've lived in Boulder for more than four years, and during this time, many of my friends have left the city due to the lack of affordable and available housing. I studied architecture for eight years, and urban planning was part of my education as well. Now, as a licensed architect in the state of Colorado, I'd like to stay connected to the community and develop a deeper understanding of zoning and planning. I hope to contribute as a volunteer to the city of Boulder and help shape its future.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute to policies and zoning strategies that balance Boulder's housing crisis with long-term environmental sustainability.

Date

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Submission Time: January 8, 2026 3:52 pm
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2020

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Home Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Bowery Valuation / University of Chicago class of 2004

Occupation / Major of Study Commercial real estate valuation / political science

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Other: Jewish

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I come from a community-driven family and background and have volunteered in every community I've lived in. Being the grandson of a rabbi and a social worker, I learned from an early age the importance of service and community. I have volunteered as a little league coach in Los Angeles and Boulder; my son has now moved on from his love of the game, but coaching kids and seeing families come together to support their kids was a great chapter of my life. While in Los Angeles I served on the board of the Southern California Chapter of the Appraisal Institute, which is the largest single chapter in the country. I'm currently a Trustee at Mackintosh Academy - Boulder, which is a non-profit independent school on South Boulder Road. In that role, among other things, I am actively engaged in Mack's "Campus of the Future" project which is in progress. I am the President and Executive Director of my family's non-profit, which we created in 2009 after my brother died in a fire in New Jersey. I'm happy to say we just made our largest distribution ever in 2025, to a Boulder-based non-profit. Finally, I was formerly on the board of my HOA here in Boulder and served as President for two years.

I have worked in commercial real estate for nearly 23 years, and lived in Boulder for close to 6; I've valued commercial property in nearly every corner of the country. I have a unique understanding and perspective on real estate development through the lens of both a state certified appraiser and a former leasing agent and construction manager. I have worked for small family companies, independent shops, private companies, and two of the world's largest publicly-traded commercial real estate services firms. I have over 10 years of right-of-way and public project development experience in California, and almost as many years in national and regional management across a large stretch of the country. I led JLL's national office valuation group for 2 years before moving on last year.

I also have decades of experience in public speaking, which began when I served in various roles in my youth group, BBYO, in South Jersey. From being chapter president to being regional president (over 500 kids at the time), I learned quickly how authenticity, accountability, and communication are the cornerstones of building long-lasting relationships.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I believe you get out of life what you put in. If I want my community to be a better place to live for everyone in it, it's my duty to actively make that vision a reality. I hope I can provide the guidance, expertise, and knowledge the BURA needs as we embark on a critical juncture in Boulder's development.

Date

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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 25, 2026 10:50 am
Unique ID: 1426280646

Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2003

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Andrew Burwick

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self-employed

Occupation / Major of Study Consultant - Policy Research, Evaluation, and Strategy

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I'm applying to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because it offers an opportunity to contribute to creative, ambitious efforts to address critical economic and housing issues in our community. I am eager and well qualified to help BURA identify and assess potential redevelopment projects to ensure they promote economic vitality, livability, and accessibility and benefit a wide group of Boulder residents.

With a career focused on evidence-based policy, financial and impact analysis, and community-centered leadership, I would bring a perspective to BURA that complements traditional development and planning expertise. My professional background in policy research and evaluation includes extensive experience conducting cost-benefit and return-on-investment analyses; studying the implementation and impact of complex, publicly-funded programs and initiatives; and developing and managing multi-million-dollar project budgets-skills directly applicable to reviewing redevelopment proposals, tax-increment financing, and public-private partnerships.

My professional and volunteer experience also features service to nonprofit and public-sector organizations providing housing services, including roles in the development of affordable housing. This experience gives me insight into the challenges and opportunities of redevelopment projects, as well as an understanding of how land use, public investment decisions, and project design may affect community affordability and well-being. As a member of nonprofit boards and a partner with Social Venture Partners Boulder County, I've worked with diverse stakeholders to address community issues, navigate decision-making processes, and collaborate with private-sector and government agencies. Together, this background equips me to offer rigorous financial oversight, thoughtful policy judgment, and an analytic orientation that can help ensure BURA's investments advance both economic vitality and the broader public interest.

More information about my professional and community engagement experience is available on my LinkedIn profile: www.linkedin.com/in/andrewburwick

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

As a member of the leadership team of a local housing organization, TGTHR, I was directly involved in the conceptualization, financing, and implementation of affordable housing developments in the Denver Metro area. These efforts included identifying suitable locations for redevelopment, negotiating and collaborating with private developers and government agencies, reviewing financial projections and pro-formas, and securing public and private funding for development costs and supportive services for residents. This type of project experience is aligned with the kinds of issues and project opportunities that BURA is likely to consider.

In addition, during my 22 years as a Boulder resident, I've engaged regularly in local planning activities. Most recently, I joined the community workshop on land use convened to support the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Update. The workshop offered an opportunity to identify locations in the city where local and community hubs could be reinforced or newly established through land use decisions, development of commercial and housing development, and transportation planning. Ultimately, projects executed through BURA might also support the creation or re-invigoration of these hubs.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute to decision-making and community-engagement processes that effectively leverage the urban redevelopment authority to help address key community challenges and promote development that has broad community benefit. In particular, I would aim to:

- Help identify and cultivate project opportunities that are likely to help Boulder continue to thrive as a vital hub for community, culture, technological innovation, and small business development.

- Explore using urban redevelopment authority tools-including designated redevelopment areas, tax-increment financing, and public-private partnerships-to address the issues of underused or neglected properties; the gap in affordable housing options, especially for middle-income families; and infrastructure improvement needs.

- Apply a benefit-cost lens to redevelopment proposals to ensure that potential projects are likely to be broadly advantageous to the community-by considering tradeoffs among proposals and assessing their economic and other effects for varied stakeholders.

- Leverage BURA projects to implement the land-use vision and planning objectives prioritized in the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan Update-especially the promotion of accessible community hubs and 15-minute neighborhoods.

- Support community engagement processes that can inform the designation of urban renewal areas and goals for specific development proposals.

Date

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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 12, 2026 1:31 pm
Unique ID: 1422236378

Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1999

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Andrew Gettelman

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado

Occupation / Major of Study Scientist

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in Boulder for over 25 years. For the first 5 years I lived in the area on the edges of downtown at 19th and Canyon. That area is now a pocket of blight interestingly enough. I no longer own that property. I am both a homeowner in the city of Boulder and a landlord (but not for properties in Boulder. I am used to thinking in both ways about real estate. I work at the University of Colorado and from home as a scientist, commuting within the city. I also have an undergraduate certificate in architecture and urban planning and have built a house in Boulder (so I am familiar with the permitting process for residential construction). I spend a lot of time in Downtown Boulder as well.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No. I do not have direct experience with BURA.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute to a vital and livable boulder, and to developed areas of town that support a solid tax base to provide quality city services. I hope that by serving on the BURA I can better understand the issues and perspectives and contribute my own perspective as a long time resident, consumer and investor in the city of Boulder with some knowledge of real estate, architecture, and urban planning.

Date

01/12/2026 01:29 PM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: January 24, 2026 11:08 pm
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2019

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Andrew Trees

Email [REDACTED]

Home Address [REDACTED]
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Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Head of CareInsights Division, EvidenceCare

Occupation / Major of Study Executive Advisor

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have wanted to serve on a city board for some time and finally have the bandwidth to do so. As for why BURA, some of it has to do with the need [for more board members] yet it also has to do with the mission. I am a "Strong Towns" advocate, I have a finance background, I have board experience (most recently with a digital health company, Agathos, that I co-founded and operated as CEO for ten years, six in Boulder), and I am interested in learning more about development strategies in Boulder. As for lived experience, in addition to Boulder, I have lived in several high-profile cities for many years in a row (e.g., San Francisco, Boston, Philadelphia) where urban renewal opportunities and risks constantly presented themselves, and where both wins and mistakes were made by both actions and inactions.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

n/a

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

As mentioned above, I want to both learn and contribute to how urban development decisions are made. I would bring a dispassionate, numbers driven, "greatest-good-to-greatest-number" approach in evaluating materials, participating in discussion, and voting for resolutions. I am a bike commuter who frequently travels amongst South Boulder (home) to East Boulder (kids daycare, parks) to Downtown (office, going out), and it will be a privilege to see the city's infrastructure responsibly change for the better, and to feel some small part of ownership in it.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2025

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Other: I rent my parents' former home, who now live in a retirement community

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I feel skills that I have acquired in my career can be reinvested in the community where I was born and raised. I returned to Boulder in January 2025 after living nearly two decades in Wyoming, and now I am interested in applying my experience to my hometown. I hold a dual master's degree (MBA and MA in German) from CU Boulder and have spent 15 years working in economic development, serving both rural communities and the capital city of Cheyenne, Wyoming. My background includes collaboration with the Cheyenne downtown development district, Chamber of Commerce, city and county government, and the Wyoming economic development agency as well as legislators, focusing on business attraction, retention, and expansion.

I have experience working in the space between public and private sectors and facilitating collaboration between diverse groups. I offer a dual perspective on board governance: I have supported boards as a staff member for Cheyenne LEADS, the economic development organization for the city and county, and served as a board member myself on other boards. My leadership experience includes rising through the succession to President for both the Cheyenne Rotary Club and the Wyoming Economic Development Association. Additionally, I completed a term as a gubernatorial appointee on the statewide Wyoming Aeronautics Commission. I wish to serve on the BURA board because I enjoy civic engagement and understand that effective urban renewal is a marathon, not a sprint.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No, I do not have any experiences with this Board.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

My primary objective is to leverage the Authority's ability to address 'stalled' development (or blight) that the private market cannot solve on its own. I understand that tools like Tax Increment Financing (TIF) are powerful but must be applied judiciously.

If appointed, I hope to achieve three things:

1. Stewardship: I will use my economic development background to carefully consider the proposal of new urban renewal districts, to monitor existing districts, and to scrutinize TIF proposals, ensuring the 'but-for' test is met-meaning the project provides clear public benefit and would not occur without public support.

2. Revitalization: I want to help identify areas suffering from high commercial vacancy or underutilization and use the board's mechanisms to catalyze housing and business growth.

3. Governance: Having watched recent meetings, I see the importance of the board's advisory role. I aim to work with city staff to monitor existing districts and identify new districts to ensure that every incentive we approve aligns with Boulder's broader economic vitality strategy.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2016

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on BURA because I want to be more involved in the city, and it seems especially interesting now with the ramp up towards Sundance and the changes that will entail. Additionally I like the focus on redevelopment within the existing footprint, rather than expanding outwards and contributing to sprawl. I do not have specific relevant experience in this field, but I do have lived experience being a student on campus (now graduated) and navigating the city by bike, transit, and car. I also have professional experience with data analysis and visualization and would be interesting in using that where it's applicable.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have any experience with BURA outside of speaking with a member at the boards and commissions open house.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to achieve more experience and familiarity with working with the city. In terms of revitalization plans and projects I am particularly interested in improving walking/rolling, bike, and transit access in ways that benefit both visitors (in the case of events like Sundance) and people living and working in Boulder year round.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2016

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Occupation / Major of Study Commercial Real Estate / Operations

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I believe Boulder is at a critical moment where thoughtful redevelopment, economic vitality, and community values must be aligned through informed, practical decision-making. Having spent a decade working in Boulder for one of the city's largest property owners, I have seen firsthand how urban renewal tools, land-use policy, and regulatory decisions directly affect whether projects succeed in meeting community goals such as economic resilience, housing opportunity, and vibrant commercial districts.

My professional background spans commercial leasing, property and asset management, development, and transaction execution. Over the course of my career, I have completed thousands of commercial real estate transactions and worked closely with hundreds of local business owners, property owners, developers, lenders, brokers, and public-sector professionals. This experience has given me a deep, practical understanding of how decisions made at the policy and board level translate into real-world outcomes on the ground.

I am particularly qualified to serve on this board because I understand Boulder's regulatory environment from multiple perspectives. I have navigated entitlement processes, redevelopment constraints, and evolving policy priorities, and I understand both the opportunities and unintended consequences that can arise from well-intended regulations. This allows me to evaluate proposals with a balanced, pragmatic lens—considering financial feasibility, long-term community benefit, and alignment with adopted plans and public objectives.

In addition to technical expertise, I bring strong analytical skills, collaborative problem-solving, and the ability to synthesize complex information for decision-making. I am accustomed to working within governance frameworks, weighing competing interests, and making recommendations that are transparent, defensible, and grounded in data.

Serving on BURA would allow me to apply my local experience, professional judgment, and commitment to Boulder to help guide redevelopment efforts that strengthen the city's economy, enhance community character, and responsibly steward public resources.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority, nor have I had extensive direct interaction with the board in a formal capacity. However, through my professional work in Boulder's commercial real estate market, I have had meaningful exposure to the outcomes of urban renewal policies and the tools the Authority oversees.

In addition, I have worked alongside a wide range of stakeholders-including property owners, tenants, developers, lenders, brokers, and city staff-who engage with or are impacted by the Urban Renewal Authority's work. While my experience has largely been from the implementation and stakeholder perspective rather than direct board service, it has provided me with a grounded understanding of how policy translates into real-world outcomes.

I am committed to approaching this role with preparation, curiosity, and respect for the board's responsibilities. If appointed, I would take the time to fully understand the Authority's history, statutory framework, current districts, and ongoing projects to ensure I can contribute thoughtfully and effectively from the outset.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help ensure that Boulder's urban renewal efforts are effective, transparent, and aligned with the city's long-term community goals. I would focus on supporting redevelopment strategies that strengthen economic vitality, encourage thoughtful reinvestment in underutilized areas, and responsibly leverage public resources to produce measurable public benefit.

One of my primary goals would be to contribute practical, market-informed insight to board deliberations. Urban renewal tools are most effective when they are grounded in a realistic understanding of feasibility, timing, and risk. I hope to help the board evaluate projects and plans in a way that balances community priorities-such as sustainability, equity, and placemaking-with the economic realities necessary to deliver successful outcomes.

I also hope to support collaboration between the public and private sectors. Having worked extensively with local businesses, property owners, developers, and city staff, I understand how productive partnerships can accelerate redevelopment while maintaining accountability and public trust. I would aim to help bridge perspectives, clarify expectations, and encourage solutions that are both innovative and implementable.

In addition, I hope to contribute to clear, consistent decision-making that provides predictability for all stakeholders. Predictability and transparency are essential for attracting long-term investment and ensuring that redevelopment efforts advance adopted plans rather than react to short-term pressures.

Ultimately, my goal is to help the Urban Renewal Authority advance projects and policies that enhance Boulder's economic resilience, support a diverse and thriving community, and ensure that redevelopment efforts deliver lasting value for current and future residents.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2005

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Downtown Colorado, Inc.

Occupation / Major of Study Director of Operations

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am passionately interested in the economic development success of the city, as a resident, previous business owner, and someone thoroughly engaged in the statewide conversation around economic development. I believe that the development community wants to see pragmatic, predictable development processes, and an urban renewal authority that can support projects that wouldn't otherwise happen without its support, specifically projects that utilize tax increment financing to secure community priorities and public benefit from development.

I currently serve as Director of Operations for Downtown Colorado, Inc., a non-profit member-based organization of which the City of Boulder is a member, and the Downtown Boulder Partnership is also a member. Our organization advises title 31 quasi-governmental districts (URA, DDA, BID) around the state, as well as municipal partners and communities interested in forming these organizations. We provide strategic planning, peer networking, education, outreach, and advocacy for these districts. In my role, I have advised dozens of communities, and these affiliated districts, in creating plans of development, implementing best practices, sharing TIF agreement strategies for mitigating community risk and maximizing community benefit, community formation elections, drafting and implementing bylaws and plans of development, and strategic alignment with other municipal departments for maximum collaboration.

Professionally, prior to being with DCI, I was the Assistant Town Manager in Eagle, Colorado where I started their department of Economic Development, and oversaw the process to form a Downtown Development Authority, adopt bylaws, draft and implement the budget as Interim Executive Director, negotiate TIF agreements, and implement community benefit programs to spur economic development and retain local businesses during the COVID pandemic. Prior to that role, I owned several businesses in Boulder, including Spark Boulder, a non-profit student-focused incubator and accelerator located on University Hill, Arete Logistics, a third-party logistics provider for local businesses specializing in the outdoor recreation space, and Cafe Play, a coffee shop and video game retail store on University Hill.

I have a MPA from CU Denver, earning a Best and Brightest Fellowship through the State of Colorado, a Masters of Communication from CU Boulder with research in public engagement, and an Bachelors of Environmental Design from CU Boulder, with my capstone focused on special taxing districts in University towns.

I am a member in good standing with the International City Managers Association (ICMA) and the International Economic

Development Council (IEDC), I expect to earn my CEcD credentials (Certified Economic Developer) from IEDC this year, having completed all required coursework and need to sit for the test this summer, and I am also certified with the International Town-Gown Association (ITGA), of which Boulder was one of the founding members.

I have previously served for seven years on the University Hill Commercial Area Management Commission (UHCAMC), serving six years as chair from 2008-2014. As an undergraduate student I was the CUSG Neighborhood Relations Director for two different administrations (2012, 2014), acting as a liaison between the City of Boulder and Student Government on a variety of issues, including helping pass the University Hill Residential Service District election in 2012. I have served as a workgroup member of the City of Boulder's 2013-2014 Capital Improvement Plan, which resulted in the successful (and recently reapproved) local sales tax initiative to fund City capital improvements. I have also served on the City's Public Participation Working Group (2016-2018), helping to co-author the final report and present the findings to City Council in 2018.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

BURA has been dormant for several decades, so I do not have experience with it, per se. However, professionally, we as DCI and I in particular have had conversations with City staff, council members, local business owners and developers, and the Downtown Boulder Partnership in a variety of settings to provide expertise and guidance on best practices for implementing fiscal policies around tax increment financing.

Professionally, I have served as Executive Director of a Tax Increment Finance district (Eagle DDA), and our organization is a non-profit support organization for URAs around the State. I have nearly a decade of direct experience with these types of organizations, their statutes, operating bylaws, fiscal policies, incentive mechanisms, development agreements, and community engagement needed to see URAs administer their funds effectively.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to see strategic economic development take place to further the City of Boulder's Comprehensive Plan and strategic economic development initiatives. Economically, the City has weathered COVID and recent economic disruptions like the closure of federal labs and the relocation of primary employers. The City also struggles mightily with housing affordability, and TIF used through URAs are one of the most common sources of additional affordable housing funds, and I would like to support those development efforts in strategically appropriate locations.

While I have intimate knowledge of both the public and private sector needs from an Urban Renewal Authority, my personal intention is fairly straight forward and without specific agenda. The business community benefits from knowledgeable staff, appropriate incentives, and a transparent, predictable incentive review process. The City benefits from utilizing incentives as strategic 'last dollar' contributions to ensure community benefits and strategic outcomes are achieved in development. I feel I have unique experience to speak to both sides of these public-private partnerships to ensure a fair and equitable development results from URA participation, and build community trust in the URA and the development process with appropriate education and outreach efforts.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? No

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Occupation / Major of Study Property Tax and Investment Advisory

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Black or African-American

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I am committed to ensuring that redevelopment in Boulder is economically sound, equitable, and aligned with long-term community goals. With over 30 years of experience in real estate valuation, taxation, finance, and urban development, I bring a deep understanding of how public policy, property economics, and infrastructure investment intersect to shape resilient cities.

I am the Founder and Managing Principal of Complex Property Analytics, LLC, where I advise on complex property valuation, regulatory compliance, and public-sector decision-making. Previously, I served as Senior Manager of Property Tax for a Fortune 500 telecommunications company, managing multi-state portfolios and supporting legislative and policy initiatives. I have also held senior public-sector roles with the Texas Comptroller's Office and taught property economics at the university level.

My academic background includes a Ph.D. in Real Estate Investment and Finance and a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership from the University of Colorado Boulder. I currently serve as a City of Boulder Police Oversight Panel member, giving me direct experience in public governance, community accountability, and collaborative decision-making.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. While I have not previously served directly on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority, I have substantial professional experience closely aligned with the functions and services it oversees, including urban redevelopment, property valuation, public finance, and policy-driven investment decisions

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My career spans senior roles in both public and private sectors, where I have supported redevelopment and infrastructure initiatives through valuation analysis, tax impact assessment, cost-of-capital studies, and regulatory review. This includes work with state and local governments on ad valorem taxation, advising on economically distressed or transitioning assets, and evaluating redevelopment feasibility for complex properties.

In addition, my current service as a City of Boulder Police Oversight Panel member has provided direct exposure to Boulder's public governance processes, community engagement standards, and accountability expectations. This experience has strengthened my understanding of how boards interface with City staff, residents, and stakeholders to deliver public value.

Collectively, these experiences equip me to quickly understand BURA's mandate, contribute meaningfully to oversight and strategic discussions, and support redevelopment outcomes that are fiscally responsible and community-centered.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help advance urban renewal outcomes that are fiscally responsible, transparent, and clearly aligned with Boulder's long-term community and economic objectives. I would focus on strengthening the analytical rigor behind redevelopment decisions-ensuring that project feasibility, tax increment financing impacts, and risk-return trade-offs are well understood and communicated to both decision-makers and the public.

Drawing on my background in real estate finance, valuation, and public-sector governance, I aim to support projects that balance redevelopment with affordability, infrastructure resilience, and equitable community benefit. I am particularly interested in helping the Authority evaluate complex or transitional assets, assess opportunity costs, and prioritize investments that deliver durable economic value without unintended fiscal consequences.

Equally important, I hope to contribute to clear governance practices and constructive stakeholder engagement. My experience serving on a City of Boulder Police Oversight Panel has reinforced the importance of accountability, public trust, and data-driven decision-making. Through this role, I would work collaboratively with fellow board members, City staff, and the community to ensure BURA's actions deliver measurable, long-term value for Boulder residents.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

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What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve as a member of the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA), because I see it as an especially good way for me to give back in a meaningful way to the Boulder community that has been our beloved home for almost 15 years. I have followed Boulder's government and its functions since we moved here in 2011; it has been fascinating and compelling look at this uniquely vibrant American community from afar. Now, I want to get involved more deeply in one particular aspect. It is a one-of-a-kind community I have grown to love, including its spectacular physical and social virtues as well as its special and delightful quirks. Specifically, I want to use my education (UPenn, The Wharton School, Harvard Business School) and long, deep and broad professional experience as a senior media and entertainment executive (CEO, COO, GM) and high-level management consultant (co-founder of Quantum Media, one of Forbes' "Top Management Consulting firms) to make a deeper contribution, as an insider in one part of what makes Boulder tick.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct hands-on experience in the area of urban renewal, but I have decades of relevant experience, and success in the for-profit sector, managing adjacent areas such as business development, economic incentives, business vitality, partnership marketing initiatives and strategic planning -- across a variety of industries and markets. In addition, I think my leadership experience on both for-profit and non-profit Boards is relevant and valuable. (For example, leadership board memberships on the Harvard Business School Club of New York, The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Hardware.com, University of Pennsylvania (multiple board and committees), Boulder High School PA President, The Dalton School Trustees (K-12, NYC) and Congregation Rodeph Sholom (NYC), among others.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to make a measurable, sustaining impact on Boulder's urban renewal goals, objectives and strategies, bringing measurable success and innovation to the city's urban vitality goals.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2015

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Occupation / Major of Study Real Estate Developer

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I care deeply about Boulder's long-term economic health and believe thoughtful urban renewal can support both community values and practical outcomes. Boulder faces real challenges around reinvestment in aging commercial areas, rising costs, and the need for more housing opportunities. BURA plays a critical role in ensuring that redevelopment tools are used strategically, transparently, and in alignment with the city's broader goals.

As a small, local real estate developer I have direct experience evaluating redevelopment feasibility, public-private partnerships, and the financial tools commonly used in urban renewal, including tax increment financing. My work requires balancing project economics with community impacts, regulatory constraints, and long-term sustainability. This gives me a practical understanding of how urban renewal policies translate from plans into built outcomes-and where they can succeed or fall short.

I also bring prior board and advisory experience that would be directly relevant to BURA's work. I served on the All Roads Board for nine years, where I participate in strategic decision-making, oversight, and collaborative problem-solving. In addition, I recently ended a term on the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA) Tax Credit Advisory Group, which provides insight and recommendations on the allocation of public financing tools to support housing and redevelopment goals. Through this work, I have experience reviewing complex materials, weighing competing priorities, and making recommendations that balance public benefit, financial responsibility, and long-term impact.

In my professional and board roles, I regularly work with city staff, lenders, consultants, and community stakeholders. I am comfortable asking hard questions, evaluating tradeoffs, and engaging in thoughtful discussion in a public, decision-making environment. I value transparency, collaboration, and accountability.

As a community member, I am motivated to help ensure that urban renewal investments strengthen Boulder's economic resilience, support local businesses, and improve underperforming areas in a way that benefits the broader community. I would approach service on BURA with diligence, curiosity, and a commitment to making balanced, well-reasoned recommendations in the public interest.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority, I hope to help ensure that urban renewal tools are used thoughtfully, strategically, and in a way that delivers clear public benefit. As BURA expands in 2026, I see an important opportunity to help establish consistent, transparent standards for evaluating urban renewal areas, redevelopment proposals, and the use of tools such as tax increment financing as the authority takes on a broader and more visible role.

A key outcome I hope to support through my service is the creation and preservation of housing that meets Boulder's workforce and community needs. Urban renewal can be an important tool to unlock sites that are otherwise difficult to redevelop and to support mixed-use projects that include attainable and income-restricted housing. I am particularly interested in helping BURA evaluate how redevelopment proposals contribute to long-term housing supply, neighborhood vitality, and economic diversity.

I also hope to contribute to decision-making that encourages reinvestment in underperforming or aging areas while remaining fiscally responsible and aligned with Boulder's broader economic and climate goals. This includes supporting projects that strengthen local businesses, stabilize the tax base, and improve the functionality and livability of commercial districts.

In addition, I would aim to support productive collaboration between the city, private stakeholders, and the broader community. Urban renewal can be complex and, at times, controversial; I believe BURA is most effective when decisions are well-informed, clearly communicated, and grounded in a balanced understanding of financial feasibility and community impact.

Ultimately, my goal would be to help BURA make recommendations that are fair, data-driven, and forward-looking-supporting redevelopment that delivers meaningful housing outcomes and lasting value for Boulder while maintaining public trust in how urban renewal tools are applied.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2020

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority to advance economic development within the city with an eye toward the interests of Boulder residents across a spectrum of socioeconomic means. In particular, I want to ensure that Boulder is a good place for people with more limited means-younger and older people, those who work in service industries and the public sector, people from marginalized groups-to live high-quality lives. As young working adults, my wife and I choose to spend a much larger portion of our income to live in Boulder than we would in most other places. The tradeoff is our ability to walk and bike to nearly everything we need for daily life. I want to support Boulder in developing so that residents can continue to lead that kind of life, with an active downtown and central commercial districts. I also want this to be accessible not only for the most wealthy, but for folks like us with middle-class incomes, and for folks with less, who can struggle to feel like Boulder is a place for them. I understand that development opportunities arising in Boulder are, in part, shaped by the coming of the Sundance Film Festival. I want to help ensure that development spurred by the festival truly benefits the people of Boulder, especially those with less deep pockets, who have a long history of being overlooked or displaced by processes of urban renewal.

In addition to my personal experience as a Boulder resident, I would bring more than a decade of experience as a consultant and researcher in urban planning. I have a PhD in City and Regional Planning with a focus on urban design and transportation systems from the University of California, Berkeley. Much of my research has investigated community livability and walkability. I am currently a research professor at the National Center for Smart Growth, based at the University of Maryland, where I work closely with the Purple Line Corridor Coalition, a public-private-community collaboration that promotes equitable growth along a new light rail corridor. We work closely with legacy small businesses and residents to ensure that new development supports rather than displaces established communities. I have also contributed as an editor to the Boulder Housing Network newsletter.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously worked with BURA.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to support urban development that advances the liveability of downtown and other commercial areas of Boulder and supports a broad array of residents and businesses, including lower-income communities and legacy small businesses. I am particularly interested in finding ways that development spurred by the Sundance Film Festival can have year-round benefits for existing residents.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 2025

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Mattress Firm

Occupation / Major of Study Sales

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I'm invested in Boulder's long-term economic health and sustainability across all neighborhoods, not just the areas that already thrive. My background in administrative work, compliance, and loans has given me a solid understanding of how large-scale funding and budgeting work operationally-I know how to evaluate projects for feasibility, sustainability, and realistic impact rather than just appeal. Living in multiple cities' urban cores, I've seen firsthand what targeted investment can achieve when done thoughtfully, and what happens when revitalization efforts fail to consider community needs or fiscal responsibility. Combined with my production experience managing event logistics and coordination, I bring both financial literacy and practical organizational skills. As BURA is being revitalized and expanded, I'm eager to help ensure it makes strategic, meaningful investments that support Boulder's economy while serving all residents equitably.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

BURA has been largely inactive during my time in Boulder, so I haven't had direct experience with the authority itself. However, I've been observing Boulder's economic development challenges and opportunities since moving here, from housing affordability to supporting local businesses to equitable neighborhood investment. My experience living in downtown areas across multiple cities has given me perspective on how urban renewal and targeted investment can either strengthen or destabilize communities, and I'm committed to helping BURA re-establish itself as an effective tool for sustainable, equitable economic development.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to help create a cohesive plan for Boulder's urban areas that allows the city to thrive and grow without losing what makes it uniquely special. My goal is to support smart, fiscally responsible investments that deliver long-term returns-not just short-term appeal-while balancing the needs of residents, local businesses, and tourism. Having worked in loans and compliance, I understand the importance of evaluating projects for sustainability and realistic impact rather than just what sounds good on paper. I want to help ensure BURA's investments strengthen all of Boulder's neighborhoods equitably, support economic vitality, and preserve the character and livability that make people want to be here in the first place. Ultimately, I'm committed to getting deeply involved in my community, and I believe my lived experience across multiple cities combined with my financial and operational background can help Boulder achieve meaningful, lasting growth.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2017

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Alpine Bank

Occupation / Major of Study Banker

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

There are a number of larger scale projects that may require public private partnership. I would like to be involved and help serve the City of Boulder as these parcels are "unlocked". The East Boulder Sub Plan may also present opportunities for BURA to be involved in interest projects that help address critical needs.

I have been in banking for 22 years and currently serve as the Market President for Alpine Bank. I have some experience moving through Boulder's planning and development process via the completion of the Alpine Bank building at the corner of Canyon and Folsom. I also have experience with tax increment financing a critical tool of the BURA.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not at this time.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to assist the City and private developers as the two groups work to execute on long term planning and housing goals. With few remaining larger parcels and some critical needs, effective collaboration and city involvement is critical. I hope to play a small part in the growth and execution of our community's goals.

I would need to discuss the position, the required time allotment, and expectations prior to committing to the BURA. Thanks for the consideration.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? No

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution WK Real Estate/ University of Colorado

Occupation / Major of Study Real Estate Sales / Communications

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Other: N/A

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I'm excited about the possibility to be part of the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA) board. I feel that being a Boulder native (third generation) and working in the real estate industry for more than 30 years in Boulder makes me uniquely qualified to serve on BURA. My past board experience serving on the Boulder Area Realtor Association (3 terms, President in 2004), IRES (regional Multiple Listing Service) (3 terms, Chairperson 2018-2021), and YMCA (3 terms) has provided me good perspective and a balanced approach to considering different issues and ultimately doing what is best for the people that we serve. The office for my company is located 4875 Pearl East Circle and we have been here since 2000, so I feel I have a good understanding of the area and I'm personally invested in future of this part of Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

My personal experience with this Board is my father serving on the Board in the mid to late '70's.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I'm excited about the possibility of serving the Boulder community and giving back in a meaningful way. Much of my volunteer experience has been in the real estate industry and I have been looking for a new opportunity to invest my time and energy into and this opportunity seems to align very well with my experience and interests. My company and family have a long history of making contributions to the community and helping to make Boulder a wonderful place to live, work and play.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1990

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Coburn Architecture

Occupation / Major of Study Architect

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to continue to serve on BURA because I am passionate about sustainable urbanism, I have a lot of interest in the issues being addressed and discussed by BURA, I care a lot about the urban design and development of Boulder, and I have a lot of pertinent experience to draw upon.

I have been the BURA Chairperson for part of a year, having been appointed several years prior. I've been a licensed architect for 40 years, working in Minneapolis, Boston, Denver, and Boulder. I have had my own firm, Arcadea Architecture, in Boulder for 30 years, effectively merging it into Coburn Architecture in February 2025. I have two Bachelor Degrees in Architecture and Environmentally Sensitive Design from the University Minnesota and a Master in Design Studies from Harvard. I've worked on a lot of projects in the public realm over the years and have spent time advocating for smart land use policies over the past 24 years or so, through Architects and Planners of Boulder and the Urban Land Institute. I have contributed two urban design plans for Boulder and have been involved in BVCP updates. I also served on BDAB/ DAB for 10 years. I've traveled to more than 40 major cities in 20 countries studying urbanism. Since joining Coburn, I've become more familiar with larger, mixed-use urban infill residential projects and have become even more familiar with the City's entitlement processes. I joined Coburn specifically to be able to create more housing and more compact neighborhoods.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. I was originally appointed in 2019, but we did not do any work until last year. However, I am familiar with principles of urban planning and urban design and have spent a lot of time advocating for better public policies.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I want to continue to bring my extensive knowledge about Boulder, of design and development principles, and of smart land use strategies to continue to make Boulder a better, more vibrant, and more environmentally and financially sustainable city.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1992

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution** OZ Architecture

Occupation / Major of Study Architect

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a longtime Boulder resident and former BOZA member, I am eager to re-engage to help make important decisions that will shape the future of our city. I have been a practicing architect with OZ Architecture for 34 years, with a number of projects within the city, and think that I can bring the critical thinking, facilitation and negotiation skills that I have developed over my career to help the group make the best possible decisions for our city.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

not with this board, but I was on BOZA for a number of years.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

help the city find ways to encourage sustainable, high quality redevelopment that works in harmony with the city's existing fabric and context.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 2006

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Occupation / Major of Study Arborist

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Other: Our home is owned by my domestic partner.

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

To those reviewing applications, thank you for the opportunity to serve our community. While I feel like I know so many of our civic leaders and members of staff from all the video recordings and meetings I've watched over the years, I realize that few of these individuals know me. I'd like to take a brief opportunity to introduce myself.

As a 20 year resident of the community, I've set deep roots here. I've owned and operated a tree care business which served residential, commercial, and municipal customers. But most importantly, I served the trees... the urban canopy, which I consider to be one of Boulder's most valuable, yet under-appreciated community assets. Over the years, I've had the privilege of developing a broad personal network of community leaders, city staff, and engaged citizens. Social conversations regularly take a civic turn, and oftentimes friends ask 'what's the latest' or they'll share their thoughts and I'm always interested in learning their perspectives and concerns regarding the city. Additionally, I know the fabric of the city exceptionally well. I know all the nooks and crannies and often know the history of how things came to be.

To answer the question of 'Why?,' I've often contemplated taking a more formal role in civic engagement and the opportunity to serve on BURA seems like a great fit for taking this next step. BURA is a Board that facilitates investment in our community and drives great economic outcomes like the revitalization of Cross Roads Mall into the 29th St Mall. This role resonates with my interest and passion surrounding urban re-development and the great outcomes that can be achieved with great leadership.

Regarding qualification or relevant experience, several lived experiences would have the greatest relevance to my ability to be an effective contributor on the board.

- As an owner of commercial real estate in and around Boulder (neither at 9th and Canyon nor the Boulder Valley Regional Center), I've taken a deep dive into land use and zoning codes. I've closely followed City Council and Planning Board meetings that touch on land use and zoning and I understand how important they are in shaping the fabric of our community.
- I have a deep understanding of the BVCP and have actively contributed through the community engagement phases of the recent update. I'm also well read in sub community plans and urban renewal plans (St Julien).
- I've previously served on the District Parent Council for BVSD and while this was more of a community representative role than a Board, I have the ability to both listen and contribute to the dialogue and I'm versed well enough in board governance that I

can participate through the more formal structure of a Board.

- I have a strategic and common sense mindset which I believe would provide a balanced and constructive voice to the Board. I'm equally eager to listen and learn the perspective of others as I weigh and add them to the balance.

- I'm financially minded and am familiar with urban renewal tools including TIF's. I can quickly understand advanced financial models and make sound judgements of the pros and cons of these tools and programs.

- I'm passionate and knowledgeable of high quality infrastructure, architecture, design, and planning. In the early 2000's, the 29th St Mall was a fantastic example of innovative re-development of an obsolete site to modern day social trends and desires with an equally fantastic economic outcome.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I don't have direct experience with BURA or the services it oversees. However, I've watched several of the meetings including 9/6/24 regarding the StJulien Redevelopment and more recent meetings setting up governance structures and meeting formats in preparation for a larger board moving forward.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Like the great leaders of our past who established Colorado University, Chautauqua, the scientific institutions, the Blue Line, Open Space, Pearl St Mall, and 29th St Mall, I hope to apply my professional experience, community knowledge, and critical thinking skills to help Boulder realize great outcomes from future projects that affect the economic vitality and fabric of our community.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2009

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution City of Lafayette

Occupation / Major of Study attorney

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to serve on BURA to help support a vital downtown Boulder. A strong economy will bring in additional sales tax which supports much of the City's budget and goals. I currently provide legal support to the Lafayette Downtown Development District which is funded by tax increment financing. I also provided legal support to various city of Boulder boards and commissions during my 25 years of employment for the City of Boulder. My husband owns a commercial property downtown which houses his business and he rents part of the property to a retail business so have seen impacts to downtown businesses on a personal level. Revitalization efforts by BURA will benefit downtown beyond the boundaries of the district.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I provided training to the BURA board when it reconvened after a period of not meeting. To prepare for the training I reviewed the relevant ordinances and bylaws. I currently provide legal support to the Lafayette Downtown Development Authority and have seen the programs initiated there to support local business such as a farmer's market on Public Road, funding assistance, public art, and purchase of a property for small business conservation.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to provide feedback on redevelopment to the city manager's staff and city council. I hope that BURA support and initiate redevelopment efforts in downtown to increase Boulder's economic vitality, especially with the opportunities possible with Sundance coming to Boulder. I hope that the BURA can be responsive to the needs of business owners and look at creative solutions.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2025

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Boulder Community Health / Denver Health / NYU School of Medicine

Occupation / Major of Study Emergency Physician

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I believe a thriving downtown is foundational to Boulder's civic health. A healthy downtown is where we run into each other, support local businesses, and feel connected to something larger than our own neighborhoods. The rising number of empty storefronts and offices on and around Pearl Street concerns me deeply, and I want to contribute to practical solutions.

My qualifications mainly come from both professional experience and simply living my daily life in Boulder. As an Emergency Physician practicing in the Denver-Boulder area, I am trained to look beyond immediate symptoms to understand root causes and to make evidence-based decisions. I have worked in government systems, tribal health settings, and both rural and urban hospitals, experiences that have strengthened my ability to work constructively within groups to evaluate complex situations.

My approach emphasizes evidence-based analysis, collaborative problem-solving, and practical implementation. I believe these skills translate directly to the work of evaluating redevelopment proposals, understanding market dynamics, and making decisions that serve Boulder's long-term interests.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I have not worked directly with BURA, I have engaged with the issues central to its mission. As a Boulder resident concerned about downtown vitality, I have spent a considerable amount of time understanding the mechanics behind commercial vacancy rates and the forces driving the changing shape of downtown.

I have also followed the city's broader efforts in this space, including the launch of the new Cultural and Economic Development division, the expansion of the business opportunity program, and the upcoming Downtown Development Authority. Understanding how BURA fits within this ecosystem of economic development tools has shaped my thinking about what approaches might actually move the needle.

My clinical work has also given me a different lens on downtown vitality. I see how community spaces, walkable districts, and local business environments affect people's sense of connection and wellbeing. A downtown that works well for residents, workers, and visitors is one that works well for Boulder as a whole.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to bring fresh thinking and practical analysis to BURA's work on downtown revitalization. I aim to contribute rigorous evaluation of proposals grounded in facts, data, and an understanding of the structural constraints that make commercial vacancy and public safety such a persistent challenge.

Specifically, I want to help the board think creatively about reducing friction for businesses willing to take a chance on Boulder. This means examining how BURA's tools can complement other city efforts around permitting modernization, transparency in vacancy information, and coordination with the new Downtown Development Authority. I believe addressing long-term vacancies and improving urban vitality is a solvable problem if we focus on clearer information and better coordination between stakeholders.

I also hope to learn from fellow board members, city staff, and community stakeholders. I value collaborative deliberation and believe that effective urban renewal requires understanding diverse perspectives, from property owners navigating loan constraints to entrepreneurs seeking affordable space to residents who want a downtown that feels vibrant and connected.

Finally, I want to ensure that BURA's decisions reflect a long-term vision for Boulder that shapes how people move through the city, where they gather, and how connected they feel to one another.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? No

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Melton Design Build

Occupation / Major of Study Business Owner

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I believe that contributing to my community is a part of having a fulfilling life. Relevant experience may include: I own and operate a Construction and Architecture firm located in the City of Boulder, I served on Longmont's Housing and Human Services Advisory Board for 2 terms, & I have a MA in Philosophy.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not directly.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to help Boulder grow in a healthy and thoughtful way.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2016

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Boxcar Coffee Roasters

Occupation / Major of Study Green Buyer and Head Roaster

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I'd like to be involved in my community and have the opportunity to shape the direction of my neighborhood and city. For the last 9 years I've worked for a small business on both East Pearl and Pearl Parkway, and my partner and I recently bought a townhome near the Diagonal Plaza. All of these areas have undergone significant changes in recent years, and I believe my perspective could translate to useful contributions to this board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

After looking into the open board and commissions, BURA felt the most relevant to me because I live in a part of Boulder that will likely continue to be impacted by BURA's activities. Diagonal Plaza is in my neighborhood, and I feel inspired to be involved in future projects like it all over Boulder.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to provide my perspective as a resident of an area that is actively being revitalized, learn more about how city government functions, and generally be more connected to my city through efforts to improve it for everyone.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2004

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My work with the nonprofit community in Boulder County and beyond has encouraged me to invest more in local politics and policymaking. I'm curious about the process and willing to engage in making this community stronger. I've been a professional fundraiser and nonprofit development specialist for more than 10 years and have extensive experience working with boards and decision-making bodies. I've also been deeply engaged in other community organizations - such as NBLL, our local HOA, and Social Venture Partners and feel I have a sense of what's happening in our area.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not specifically, but as I mentioned, I've been on the HOA for my neighborhood, served on the NBLL board and volunteer with Social Venture Partners Boulder County currently.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to achieve a solid understanding of the issues facing our community when it comes to urban renewal, the barriers and opportunities, and how regular citizens can contribute. I would use that information to encourage my neighbors, friends and clients to engage in the process more.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Dec 2025

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Occupation / Major of Study Store Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

First, I'm a new resident of the city of Boulder and want to be more active in the city's civic life. I see Boulder as having significant potential to improve the urban environment it currently has, and in the short time I've been here, I've noticed the city is pursuing an ambitious plan to provide a friendlier urban environment for its residents. This is evident in the city council's actions, including pursuing a 15-minute walkable city and expanding transit options. It's exciting to see a city working to improve this part of the city. I want to be part of making that ambition a reality for every Boulder resident.

The relevant experiences I have for the position include a master's in public policy, a stint on the parks and recreation commission for the city of Bloomington from 2016 to 2020, and an internship with the NWRDC (Northwest Regional Development Commission) in Minnesota. I've also served on other boards, including the DFL (Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party) Executive Committee. These experiences have prepared me to be an effective leader and commissioner for this body.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not, but have been on a government commission before in the city of Bloomington, Minnesota, where I served on the Parks and Recreation commission. I helped advise and approve long-delayed capital improvement projects, such as redeveloping over 40 parks and playgrounds, designing a community center, and improving bike and trail infrastructure in the city. Along with that, my Master's in Public Policy focused on Economic Development and Government, along with my internship with NWRDC, where I helped them develop housing recommendations to keep the small and medium-sized cities in the region thriving and successful for the future.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

There are 4 things that I would want to achieve for this position if appointed.

Urban Infill

We all know that Boulder is a wonderful city with a population that is growing at a rapid pace. While ensuring that this growth does not continue to fuel urban sprawl, it is also important to recognize the areas around town that are in need of redevelopment. This is important because it gives us the chance to maximize the use of the land we already have, while also ensuring that we do not displace affordable housing, since the region is in a crunch for affordable housing.

Small Business Development

Boulder, like any other city, has businesses of different sizes, but what stands out in the city of Boulder is how many small businesses it has. It is of utmost importance for the city to do everything in its power to keep developing the small business sector and keep the small businesses that are already here thriving. Small business is the backbone of any community, and when they are growing, your economy and quality of life as a community thrive as well. I would want to ensure that we are keeping those small businesses in any way possible from going under, moving, and along with giving them opportunities to grow.

Missing Middle Development.

As Boulder expands, the city still has traditional options for expansion, such as development in the rural tracts of land around us. Even though there is great growth there, we need to keep the development and growth of the city center. This can be done by maximizing our efforts to see where we can expand housing without taking up more land. This can be achieved through various methods, but focusing on Missing Middle Development is also crucial for maintaining the character of Boulder without altering what residents perceive as Boulder in terms of its physical environment.

Multimodal transportation.

Boulder already exemplifies this transportation system. The city has bus routes, bike lanes, and pedestrian pathways. I think it is still most important to keep expanding and maintaining what we have to keep that quality of options to get around the city, while also looking for new and innovative solutions to keep Boulder moving and connecting Boulder to the broader region just beyond the city's borders.

In essence, if we want people to still call Boulder home and to move here, we need to focus on making sure we are fully utilizing our built-up environment through accessible transportation, Missing Middle Development, urban infill, and small business development.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2016

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would love to serve on BURA because I believe art can truly change lives and improve cities. As for my experience, I am currently studying for my Masters of Arts Leadership and Cultural Management at CU. I am particularly interested in creative placemaking, and have enjoyed taking classes in Community Engagement, Art and Cultural Policy, and am currently taking Art and the Law. Professionally, I have worked as an arts instructor for adults with special needs, as a visitor services representative for the Boulder Museum of Art, and as a frame designer, which is my current job. I have also written a paper on how art can improve a city by reducing the effects of blight.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

From my understanding it is a new/revived board that is meant to be a tool to boost the local economy.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I would find a sense of achievement if we are able to retain working class residents by providing more options for affordable housing and business incubation. I would also love to revive our downtown by activating vacant commercial properties with arts and culture initiatives (ex: temporary studios, workshop spaces, exhibitions, and pop up retail spaces for small/micro businesses).

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1998

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in how TIF and other related programs can enhance the likelihood of developing performance, rehearsal and maker spaces [in addition to affordable housing for artists] as well as other projects that could be beneficial to the City.

Professional experience includes International, Domestic and Investment Banking, co-founding a startup that provided maritime services to the US DoD and DoT which operated for fifteen years before being sold to an overseas buyer.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No I have not had experience with this Board or the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Assistance with evaluation and recommendations concerning viable projects within a redevelopment district that benefits the City.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 1993

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Occupation / Major of Study Journalism/nonprofit/English lit

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

After five years of serving on Housing Advisory Board (four years as chair; term ending March 2026), I seek to stay involved in Boulder's planning and development issues at this key juncture. I'm especially intrigued by continuing efforts at Boulder Junction and the possibility of Boulder creating a Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Although not trained as an architect, developer, urban planner or real estate professional, I served for 17 years as executive director of Urban Land Institute (ULI) Colorado, the state's top nonprofit addressing land use issues.

During this time I organized 70+ Technical Advisory Panels (TAPs) in Colorado, including several in Boulder at such key sites as Diagonal Plaza and what eventually became the new Limelight Hotel. In that time I developed at least a working laity knowledge in such areas as urban renewal tools (blight studies, TIF, etc), public finance mechanisms, transit-oriented development (TOD), and public-private partnerships. In addition I have written/edited many articles and several books on urban development, which has granted me access to many leaders in this field as well insider looks at key redevelopment sites in the US, Canada, and Europe.

I have been a guest lecturer/critic in numerous urban planning and architecture classes at CU (Boulder and Denver).

In 2022, the nonprofit Create Boulder hired me to conduct a feasibility workshop for a potential multi-purpose arts center. I assembled and chaired a panel of experts who worked with 200+ city officials, arts organizations and community members to create a workshop, study, and report focused on the potential of four different sites in Boulder. Since then I volunteered to start a Create Boulder facilities committee that seeks to be a catalyst for improved arts facilities including performance and movie space, studios, galleries, artist housing, and more.

Recently I joined the Urban Design Advisory Council, a group of leading architects and developers that seeks to advance quality architecture and urban design in Denver.

In addition, I am about to join the board of Historic Boulder Inc. In the 1970s and 80s, I worked for the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Since then I have continued my longstanding interest in historic buildings and sites.

I would like to serve on BURA to have a positive influence on key redevelopments in our city. I can be an effective advocate for redevelopments that serve a broad range of our residents and contribute to the aesthetics of our buildings, streetscapes, and landscapes, and of course to our economic and social vitality.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I served on BURA in the early 2000s when the city was working with Macerich to redevelop Crossroads Mall as 29th Street. I advocated (unsuccessfully) for a more "urban" development with greater density, less surface parking, better urban design, and much more housing.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I plan to exert a positive influence on continued development at Boulder Junction and strategic future developments downtown. I would plan to advocate for practical financing and economic outcomes; more (and a greater variety of) housing; the inclusion of arts and cultural spaces in development and redevelopment; and quality architecture, landscape architecture and urban design.

As I mentioned in my response to question 2, I was disappointed in the redevelopment at 29th Street. While the project serves its purpose (tax base, services like Home Depot, clothing stores, and movie theaters), it is clearly not up to the standard of economic vitality, architecture, urban design, and progressive land use that Boulder deserves and should insist upon.

I recognize that "quality" in urban development is both subjective and hard to define. I also realize that BURA does not function as a design review board. The bottom line is I would speak up for the best quality developments Boulder can attain.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? No

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Occupation / Major of Study Sr. Business and Data Analyst

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Asian

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority because I want to make a meaningful impact in the community that has played an important role in my personal and professional life. Boulder holds a special place in my heart as the city where I went to university and where I currently work. Serving on BURA would allow me to give back to the community by applying the skills I use every day in my professional life to support public service and community-focused decision making.

I am a Senior Business Analyst in the Learning and Teaching Solutions Department at the Leeds School of Business at CU Boulder. In my role, I analyze and report data for senior leadership, including deans and various stakeholders, to support business school accreditation efforts and inform decisions affecting faculty, staff, and students. This includes developing C-level reporting related to academic outcomes, faculty research and job metrics, and institutional performance, as well as providing training to ensure data is understood and used effectively.

My professional experience has strengthened my ability to communicate complex information clearly, collaborate across diverse groups, and support informed, responsible decision making. Working within a large public institution has given me a strong appreciation for transparency, accountability, and the importance of decisions that consider both data and community impact.

I am motivated to bring my analytical expertise, strategic perspective, and genuine commitment to the whole city of Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served or worked with the board, but I am aware of the important work that it does for the community and would love to be more involved.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute as an engaged and thoughtful member by learning more about BURA and participating in informed decision making that supports our goals at large.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2020

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Occupation / Major of Study Travel Advisor

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am applying to the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA) because I am deeply invested in the thoughtful evolution of Boulder's built environment. As a resident and property owner, I recognize that for Boulder to remain a thriving, inclusive community, we must actively facilitate revitalization that balances economic growth with our city's unique character. I wish to serve on BURA to help guide these complex redevelopment decisions, ensuring they result in sustainable public improvements and a healthy local economy.

My qualifications combine boots-on-the-ground experience in property development with a strategic professional background in economic place-making:

1. Property Development & Operational Expertise

I possess direct experience navigating the complexities of construction, zoning, and land use in Boulder. I am currently managing an extensive, multi-phase renovation and construction project at a historic property in Boulder, which involves coordinating with architects, contractors, and the city on everything from ADU compliance to sustainability upgrades. Additionally, as owner of The Wildflower, an event venue on the outskirts of Boulder, I understand the operational realities of maintaining a business property, including the challenges of infrastructure, zoning, and community integration. I bring a practical, owner-operator perspective to discussions about redevelopment districts.

2. Economic Vitality & Strategic Vision

BURA's mission to support a healthy and sustainable economy aligns with my professional expertise. As a Luxury Travel Advisor, I analyze the economic drivers that make destinations viable and competitive. I understand place-making-not just as an aesthetic concept, but as an economic engine. I have applied this strategic lens to the effort to bring the Sundance Film Festival to Boulder. This initiative represents a significant urban renewal opportunity, requiring a complex interplay of venues, transportation, and local business support. My involvement in offering The Wildflower as a venue and connecting with community stakeholders demonstrates my ability to envision and facilitate large-scale economic catalysts.

3. Stakeholder Management & Coalition Building

Successful urban renewal requires navigating complex relationships between developers, city officials, and residents. I am a natural networker with a proven ability to bring people from

diverse backgrounds together to find common ground. As the former Editor-in-Chief of 7x7, I led teams through digital transformation by balancing the needs of diverse stakeholders. Whether connecting arts patrons for the Sundance initiative or mediating editorial disagreements, I excel at facilitating the dialogue necessary to move projects forward. I am comfortable analyzing complex proposals and utilizing my network to build the consensus needed for effective implementation.

4. Commitment to Community Stewardship

I am committed to ensuring that redevelopment benefits the wider community. My experience hosting the Mapleton Hill Porch Fest and co-founding RoarBoard (an online platform that championed community voices and causes) reflects my dedication to community engagement. I understand that successful urban renewal is not just about buildings, but about how those buildings serve the people who live and work in them.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, my goal is to advocate for redevelopment projects that are economically robust, environmentally sustainable, and distinctively Boulder. I hope to achieve three specific outcomes:

1. Bridge the Gap Between Preservation and Progress

Having managed a significant renovation in a historic district, I understand the tension between preserving historic character and meeting modern needs. I hope to help BURA advance projects that revitalize underutilized districts without erasing their local identity. I want to achieve a balance where "renewal" implies enhancement, not just replacement, ensuring that new developments honor the existing fabric of our neighborhoods.

2. Maximize the Public Benefit of Redevelopment

I hope to bring a rigorous scrutiny to the use of urban renewal tools, such as Tax Increment Financing (TIF). My goal is to ensure that every public investment yields a tangible public benefit-whether that be through improved infrastructure, affordable commercial spaces for local makers, or sustainability features. I want to achieve a track record where BURA's interventions clearly result in a more resilient and accessible local economy.

3. Leverage "Place-Making" for Economic Resilience

As Boulder steps onto the world stage-hosting international events like Sundance-our physical infrastructure must be ready. I hope to guide revitalization efforts that enhance our capacity to host and entertain, turning blighted or underused areas into vibrant economic hubs. I aim to ensure that our urban renewal strategies create spaces that support not just tourism, but the daily lives of our residents.

Ultimately, I hope to be a Member who combines the practical eye of a property owner, the connection of a networker, and the strategic vision of a business leader to foster a vital, sustainable Boulder.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2022

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Occupation / Major of Study Owner

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Asian

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I mainly would like to serve and give back to my community. I've been involved in various local, small community politics and volunteer service groups since a young age, serving on various committees and volunteer groups in student government and the school district level. I've lived in Boulder for about just over three, almost four years from the new developments in Boulder Junction to Newlands to Goss-Grove. I've had the opportunity to walk, bike, and travel throughout the city. Although my primary role is as a remote consultant for various tech companies, I've also started my own small business in Boulder in animal training and daycare. It's been such a nice, lovely way to connect with every day members of my community. I have a lot of knowledge in civil service, understanding the mundane aspects, as well as the ability to engage with community in a clear, light-hearted way. Over my time here, I've gotten to know various parts of the tech community, artist community, as well as regenerative agriculture and climate justice community. I feel I have a well-rounded balance view of the every day activities and community groups. As I plan to settle down and build long-term roots in Boulder, participating in a Boards and Commissions role seems like a great opportunity to contribute to my community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had direct experience with this Board yet. I have lived in various neighborhoods targeted for investment and revitalization efforts and could contribute to knowledge on these areas.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to help improve communication within the board/commission as well as increase community awareness of different initiatives. As a new member to the team, I'd like to be a "listener" and really be there to thoroughly understand. Where can I help? and How can we be collaborative together? At the end of the day, I'd like to learn more about initiatives in my community and give back where I can.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2021

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Urban Renewal Board because I care deeply about Boulder's long-term vitality and believe thoughtful urban renewal is essential to creating a more inclusive, livable, and resilient city. As we face a convergence of challenges-rising costs, housing shortages, aging infrastructure, and shifting economic dynamics-we need bold yet grounded approaches that connect urban planning with community values.

I bring a systems-thinking mindset shaped by a background in biology and years of civic leadership in Boulder. I've worked across sectors, supporting public-private partnerships, engaging community members in redevelopment discussions, and helping convene leaders around revitalization efforts downtown, including those linked to the performing arts, business & technology corridors, and the arrival of the Sundance Film Festival. Through the Highland Institute, TEDxBoulder and other initiatives, I've helped facilitate dialogue, align stakeholders, and bridge visionary ideas with practical implementation.

My qualifications include experience in civic facilitation, policy framing, stakeholder engagement, and strategic communications. I understand the importance of equity, transparency, and place-based decision-making, and I hope to bring both a critical and collaborative voice to the table, focused on shaping projects that reflect the full complexity of Boulder's present and the promise of its future.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I have not served directly on the Urban Renewal Board, I have been actively engaged with many of the issues it oversees, particularly in the areas of downtown revitalization, land use, economic development, and cultural infrastructure. Through my work convening civic leaders, local businesses, artists, and residents around initiatives like homelessness, affordable housing, crime, and economic development, I've gained firsthand experience navigating the complex intersections of public benefit, private development, and community engagement. I've also participated in public discussions around Boulder's Comprehensive Plan and understand how strategic redevelopment can align with long-term community goals.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help the Urban Renewal Board focus on longer-term, upstream thinking, ensuring that today's decisions lay the groundwork for a more resilient, inclusive, and vibrant Boulder in the decades ahead. I want to contribute to a civic culture that cuts through the noise of polarization and urgency, and instead finds common ground rooted in shared values and practical solutions.

Too often, our public conversations get stuck circling the drain-rehashing the same arguments without making meaningful progress. I hope to create space for more constructive dialogue, where leaders and community members alike can engage thoughtfully, see the bigger picture, and co-create outcomes that serve both immediate needs and long-range goals. My aim is to help the board act not just as a decision-making body, but as a catalyst for visionary, grounded civic leadership.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Boulder Urban Renewal Authority (BURA)

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2017

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Former United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Occupation / Major of Study Foreign Service Officer / Program Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I grew up in Boulder, graduated from the University of Colorado, earned a masters degree in International Policy Studies from Middlebury Institute of International Studies and am thrilled to have the time and experience to contribute to my home town's urban development strategies, goals, and policies. Having grown up in Boulder I've seen the dramatic growth and evolution of the city and it remains a wonderful place to live. However, there are opportunities to address development gaps in urban areas to ensure Boulder remains a dynamic and inclusive city with vibrant residential, commercial and community spaces. I have the experience and background to support and contribute to BURA activities reviewing proposed urban renewal areas, plans and projects, urban renewal studies, providing recommendations regarding the use of urban renewal tax options to help fund and implement urban renewal projects; and providing input for the City Manager to take into consideration with respect to redevelopment issues and programs.

I don't claim to be an expert on Boulder urban renewal projects, what I can offer is a wealth of experience from a career dedicated to public service and support for urban and rural development for low-income and disadvantaged populations around the world working 12 years for non-governmental organizations and 15 years at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) until it was dismantled by the current administration in 2025. Most recently working at USAID I managed activities to support housing for populations displaced by conflict and natural disasters in Ukraine, Gaza, South Sudan, and Mozambique. I supported US Government funded activities in Ukraine focused on winterizing homes for populations impacted by the conflict. I managed grantees rehabilitating and winterizing homes, ensuring activities were based on sound community engagement responding to community needs, maximized impact and conformed to government policies and regulations.

In countries in South Asia, Central Asia, and Africa I focused on supporting community development projects, housing, water, sanitation, income generation, health, and livelihoods for disadvantaged communities. Working on these activities, I contributed to solutions to complex challenges ensuring community engagement, equitable access to resources and services ensuring strong feedback mechanisms, monitoring and evaluation.

In addition, working for NGOs and USAID, I have led efforts to evaluate proposals, budgets, and sustainability for projects to improve incomes, increase innovation and to develop strategic public-private sector partnerships to maximize outcomes for targeted populations.

Drawing on my experience working for USAID and non-governmental organizations I bring to BURA deep expertise in grants management, compliance, financial stewardship and evaluation, building public-private sector partnerships, and cross-sector collaboration I have a proven record overseeing government resources, working with multidisciplinary teams across government, nonprofit, public-private sector partnerships and community settings. I am known for building strong partnerships with local organizations, community partners, finance teams, and government stakeholders to ensure accountability, transparency, and measurable impact. These are experiences and skills I can draw on to support and contribute to BURA's work to expand and improve urban development in Boulder with community-centered values to advance equitable outcomes.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Aside from being a community member witnessing and utilizing the urban development projects in Boulder including the redevelopment of Crossroads Mall into 29th Street and the St. Julien Hotel complex, I have not directly engaged with the Boulder Urban Renewal Authority.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

With my background growing up in Boulder and having returned to the city ten years ago, I have a deep knowledge of the city, the neighborhoods, residents, and businesses that I could draw on when reviewing studies, proposed urban renewal areas, plans and projects; making recommendations regarding the use of urban renewal funding options and implement public improvements to support redevelopment; and providing the City Manager with input on redevelopment issues and programs.

My professional experience has taught me that there are rarely simple solutions to complex challenges facilitating targeted investments and expanding urban revitalization projects with a variety of partners and financing in response to community and city priorities in Boulder. I would like to contribute to the expanded BURA members' evaluation of urban revitalization opportunities, financing options, and cost effectiveness. I would also support BURA to continue to recommend incorporation of an expanded array of innovative urban revitalization projects, partnerships, and renewal areas to the degree that they meet community needs, are sustainable, and cost effective. I would be interested in researching innovative urban revitalization approaches around the country and around the world that could be utilized in Boulder to meet community needs and improve the city. Of course I am available to support the wide variety of BURA needs as they arise throughout the year.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Design Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Brendan Ash
2029 Harriet Ingham
2028 stephen eckert
2027 Rory Bilocerkowycz
2026 Matthew Schexnyder

Occupation:

Architect
Engineer
Architect
Architect
Architect

Status:

Occupied
Occupied
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Occupied

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Design Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2020

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

SciTec

Occupation / Major of Study

Designer

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on Boulder's Design Advisory Board because I care deeply about how growth and change shape the city I call home. Boulder's balance between natural landscape and modern town, captivated me from the moment I first visited. I have strong design experience grounded in both practical creations and formal education, including a master's degree in Experience Design from the University of Colorado Boulder. This education trained me to evaluate how people interact with spaces, materials, and systems at a human level. I also bring the perspective of a Boulder resident who actively uses and values its neighborhoods, streets, and public spaces. I value collaboration, careful listening, and fairness, and I would approach design reviews with the goal of helping projects succeed rather than my own ideas.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not directly followed the Design Advisory Board's review process, but as a Boulder resident have clearly noticed the cohesive design vision that has been implemented across the city. Specifically I recall the visual presence of municipal spaces like parking garages that allow drivers to spot them from far away. This citizen centric approach is exactly what I hope to expand on by joining this board.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to this board I would hope to strengthen the design centric approach Boulder has taken to it's public spaces and buildings by adding my perspective and professional design experience. While I have no specific projects that I would promote, there are endless problems that I would want to tackle and solve with the incredible people already on this board.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Design Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Dec 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution self (w/ explanation) / Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc)

Occupation / Major of Study Architecture

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My family has been in Boulder for the last 35+ years. I lived in Boulder (previously) '89-'92. I then moved to Southern California and completed a degree in Architecture at: Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc) After that I worked for 4 local (South Bay LA) firms. (2M-4M spec projects for developers, 4M+ private residential, commercial, retail) mostly in Manhattan Beach, Malibu, Palos verdes. I worked for:

- 1) Craig Fraulino Architects
- 2) E4 Architects
- 3) Cook Architects
- 4) Studio 9one2 Architecture Inc

- I "moonlighted" one +/- 10,000 Sq. Ft. Corporate office renovation (interior & parking)
- Most projects were very high end, contemporary, short time lines, tight lots/limited staging, because of high land value we did a lot of multi-level habitable / parking below grade. seismic,
- The firms I worked with were heavily experienced - our "details" were good & we did a lot of CA
- My father was a builder, so I grew up in that world.
- I passed 5 of 8 CA ARE (7 + CSE) - Rolling clock expired
- I am studying for and will take Colorado ARE
- I am very thorough and patient. Firms I worked for usually figured out that if you need to apply for a variance in a flood plain (don't deserve it, but the client wants it and is willing to pay for it) I am the guy they put on it to grind through the local codes with a magnifying glass looking for loopholes that the AHJ can't say "no" to.
- I have been out of architecture for about 12 years (I owned a clothing company, which honestly was not an ideal answer) I moved to Boulder to care for my Mother (dementia) Yes, it heavily affects my life, but we have caretakers that would allow me the time to fulfill DAB obligations.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

None

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I am very easy going - somewhat better at listening then talking, but If I have something to say, I am capable of speaking. I believe 99% doesn't matter and 1% matters very much. DABs work ideals with lots of parts, so that doesn't exactly fit, but I bring it up because I like to think I am capable of recognizing what matters & trying to avoid drowning in the stuff that doesn't.

Boulder has been my families home for a long time. I see a lot of economic headwinds in its future, worrisome commercial vacancy rate, what it wants or should be doesn't seem as clearly apparent as what I am used to seeing. The "old" vs "recent" (attitudes) ... Is it a "town" or is it a "city"? Internally & externally there is a lot of divisiveness that makes Boulder feel unstable. There is just a lot of unknowns looming around Boulder right now. I don't know the answers to any of these questions, but I know that thoughtful/informed people that are willing to roll up their sleeves, who are in the positions that push levers is the best answer.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Downtown Management Commission

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Seat #5 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031, must be property owner/rep

Current Members:

2029 Erica Dahl
 2028 Andy Nathan
 2027 Justin Kalvin
 2026 Don Poe
 2026 Stephanie Trees

Occupation:

Retail store owner on the Pearl Street Mall
 Advertising
 Manager Bartender
 CEO
 Sales

Status:

Occupied
 Occupied
 Occupied
 Occupied
 Occupied

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2018

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution

Concept Restaurants / CSU (Masters), CU Denver (Bachelors), CMC (Associates)

Occupation / Major of Study

Marketing & Communication / Communication & Media Management (CSU), Psychology & Ethnic Studies (CU Denver), Arts (CMC)

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to serve on the Downtown Management Commission because of my passion for supporting the Boulder community through creative opportunities designed for empowerment and engagement, whether that be through inclusive policy updates, interactive programs, and/or detailed operations. With a Bachelor's in Psychology and Ethnic Studies from the University of Colorado Denver and a Master's in Communication and Media Management from Colorado State University, I've built a valuable skill set that would help serve the commission from active listening to problem solving, being detail-oriented with strong creative skills, and technologically savvy with an eagerness to learn. I've utilized these skills for success in my role as Director of Marketing & Communications for Concept Restaurants, covering two restaurants and one hotel in the Boulder (Boulder Social), Denver (Stout Street Social), and Colorado Springs (Best Western Plus Fillmore Inn & Suites) markets. My background in hospitality and food and beverage, combined with living in Boulder over the past 7 years (and counting), brings a unique perspective focused on welcoming new and old friends alike to the Boulder region to work and play with warm hospitality and quality service. In addition, my involvement with the Boulder Restaurant Alliance and sitting on the Downtown Boulder Partners Marketing Committee for several years has developed important leadership skills that have helped me to examine issues, brainstorm, and offer recommendations to help better support our community at large.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have served on the Downtown Boulder Partners Marketing Committee from February 2020 - December 2025, helping to offer insight and new opportunities to the group. In addition, Concept Restaurants owned and managed Hotel Boulderado and the on-property restaurants until March 2025, so I had the opportunity to work in and support the Downtown district directly through marketing and communication incentives designed to drive traffic to the area.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to assist in representing residents' voices while supporting the Downtown Boulder district. I look forward to the opportunity to work closely with the commission members as a team as we meet the goals and objectives given to us and advise accordingly.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Nov 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution UnitedHealth Group

Occupation / Major of Study Sr. Director, Responsible AI

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

For many years, I have had an interest in public service and public policy. While I have continued to work in the private sector, I want to spend my free time investing in the city I love. Since moving to Boulder in 2022, I have had a strong desire to get more involved in the community and give back to the city that has welcomed me so openly. I love Boulder and its ability to bring the outdoors, the arts, commerce, and culture into such a vibrant place that is epitomized by our downtown.

I chose to apply to the Downtown Management Commission, specifically, because I believe in the power of third spaces to build community across people of different backgrounds and generations and as antidotes to the isolation and division that increasingly define American life. Boulder's downtown brings the community and visitors together throughout the year in a way that is distinct and important to Boulder's identity and future.

I believe that my previous professional and volunteer experience would serve me in this role. In my professional life, I am the Senior Director of UnitedHealth Group's Responsible AI Program, where I lead a team of people in the governance of AI in healthcare. I am charged with building ethical frameworks for AI governance, building external partnerships toward responsible AI in healthcare, and lead the organization's AI oversight board. I have previous experience both serving on a board and chairing the governance board of Bethany Community Church in Seattle, Washington. In this role, I oversaw the governance, fiscal planning, and operations of an organization with a staff of over 100 employees, a multi-million dollar budget, and a congregation of over 5,000 people across multiple locations throughout Seattle. In these roles, I had the opportunity to learn how oversight boards function and how to lead collective decision-making. I oversaw succession planning and the transition of the founding pastor of the organization into a new era, gathering support across the staff, partner organizations, donors, and the congregation. This challenging role has helped prepare me to make difficult decisions in a community setting and co-lead with other volunteers toward a shared mission.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Personally, I benefit significantly from the work of this Board as a citizen of Boulder. While I have not interacted with the Board in a formal capacity, I am hugely grateful for the work of this group in ensuring Boulder's downtown is the thriving heartbeat of the city. As someone who moved from the heart of Seattle to Boulder, I am grateful for how much Boulder "punches above its weight" as a hub for cultural events, incredible dining, and local businesses. It takes thoughtful intention and planning to ensure this is sustainable. Over the last year, I have had the opportunity to meet members of city council, the Chamber of Commerce, and people serving on city Boards that have shared the challenges Boulder faces and have inspired me to get more involved myself.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to channel my passion for Boulder and for service to continue to make Boulder's downtown a place where people want to spend their time and the money. As a remote worker, I know firsthand how easy it is to continue to work from my home office and not patronize businesses throughout the week. This not only impacts Boulder businesses but also contributes to feelings of isolation in the community. I would want to focus on ways to entice this untapped group of people downtown throughout the week in order to connect people to their community, while positively contributing to the downtown economy.

With the 50th anniversary of the Pearl Street Mall approaching in 2027, as well as the Sundance Film Festival coming to Boulder for the first time, there are huge opportunities to creatively engage the community and continue to build downtown Boulder's identity as we collectively celebrate these events. I would want to work with my colleagues on the Board and the community to ensure the festival thrives and the people of Boulder benefit, while maintaining Boulder's character. With these opportunities, I would hope the Board focuses on filling business vacancies with incentives for local businesses and workers. We have a huge opportunity as a community to welcome the world to our beautiful corner of the globe. I hope that we can do this in a way that continues to support local businesses and creates opportunity. During my time at Amazon, I built public private research partnerships between Tier 1 academic institutions and Amazon, and I believe this experience will serve me in this role as the Downtown Management Commission works with organizations such as the Sundance Institute and the Downtown Boulder Partnership, toward the flourishing of Boulder for all.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Mobile Phone

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve as a member of Boulder's Downtown Management Commission (DMC), because I see it as an especially good way for me to give back in a meaningful way to the Boulder community that has been our beloved home for almost 15 years. I have followed Boulder's government and its functions since we moved here in 2011; it has provided a fascinating and compelling look at this uniquely vibrant American community from afar. Now, I want to get involved more deeply in one particular aspect. It is a one-of-a-kind community I have grown to love, including its spectacular physical and social virtues as well as its special and delightful quirks. Specifically, I want to use my education (UPenn, The Wharton School, Harvard Business School) and long, deep and broad professional experience as a senior media and entertainment executive (CEO, COO, GM for several leading media organizations) and high-level management consultant (co-founder of Quantum Media, one of Forbes' "Top Management Consulting firms) to make a deeper contribution, as an insider in one part of what makes Boulder tick.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct hands-on experience in the area of downtown management strategies and operations, but I have decades of relevant experience, and success in the for-profit sector, managing adjacent areas such as business development, economic incentives, business vitality, partnership marketing initiatives and strategic planning -- across a variety of industries and markets. In addition, I think my leadership experience on both for-profit and non-profit Boards is relevant and valuable. (For example, leadership board memberships on the Harvard Business School Club, The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Hardware.com, University of Pennsylvania (multiple boards and committees), Boulder High School PA President, The Dalton School Trustees (K-12, NYC) and Congregation Rodeph Sholom (NYC), among others.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to make a significant, measurable, permanent impact on Boulder's downtown vitality objectives and strategies, bringing meaningful and sustainable success and innovation to the city's goals in addressing major concerns about vacancy rates, downtown incentives, partnerships, innovation and urban vitality goals.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution retired

Occupation / Major of Study scientist and professor

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Downtown Management Commission because a thriving, downtown makes our city more livable, inviting, and interesting. While I am a relatively new resident and property owner in Boulder, my family has decades long ties to the City, and we have had a place between Boulder and Nederland for many years. I have long enjoyed the many amenities downtown Boulder has had to offer, and it was a key draw when my husband and I decided to relocate to a condo in the downtown area. Pearl Street, and Boulder's downtown, serves as the "living room" for our city and the surrounding area. It is where we gather with family and friends to convene and celebrate, to dine and shop. Finding more and new ways to support our local downtown community and to engage our neighbors in all Boulder's downtown area has to offer, can connect us more deeply to the place we live, and bring more joy and fun to our city.

I am interested in serving on the Downtown Management Commission because a thriving, downtown makes our city more livable, inviting, and interesting. While I am a relatively new resident and property owner in Boulder, my family has decades long ties to the City, and we have had a place between Boulder and Nederland for many years. I have long enjoyed the many amenities downtown Boulder has had to offer, and it was a key draw when my husband and I decided to relocate to a condo in the downtown area. Pearl Street, and Boulder's downtown, serves as the "living room" for our city and the surrounding area. It is where we gather with family and friends to convene and celebrate, to dine and shop. Finding more and new ways to support our local downtown community and to engage our neighbors in all Boulder's downtown area has to offer, can connect us more deeply to the place we live, and bring more joy and fun to our city.

This is an exciting time in the life of Boulder to engage more deeply in ways to support and grow the downtown here, especially as we prepare to host the Sundance Film Festival in the coming year. As a result of extensive service experiences on Boards and a Town Commission in the past, I understand the role volunteers have in such a position, and I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to the Boulder community in this capacity. The kinds of skills I would bring to the role of Commissioner stem from my long career as a scientist and professor, my service on many local, regional and national Boards, and my experience on the Town of Berthoud CO Planning Commission and as Chair of the Committee that oversaw the work of gathering public input and drafting the refreshed Town Comprehensive Plan. Beyond these experiences, I am excited to learn more about the downtown community in the city, and very interested in developing new connections with local businesses

and organizations in Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had previous experience with the DMC other than viewing videos of past meetings, and reading the materials available on the City website about the Commission and its portfolio. Even before relocating to downtown Boulder, my husband and I had made connections with a variety local business owners and staff. Through the background research I have done to learn more about the commission and the work underway, I believe many of the skills I developed and experiences I have had resonate well with the work of the DMC. In particular, my experience/expertise related to community engagement, using data in decision making, ensuring access to the downtown area across many dimensions of diversity, and responsible governance, assessment and oversight of publicly funded programs are particularly relevant in work of the Commission in the coming years.

In my work as a scientist, I wrote grants to fund my research and oversaw the work of staff who implemented programs related to the grants. I have extensive experience in program development, assessment, and reporting, and I have served on scores of grant and program review panels at local, regional and national levels. Some of the particular skills and experiences I have that seem timely include strategic thinking and planning, developing milestones to assess progress toward meeting programmatic goals, leading community input discussions as part of planning and feedback processes, and building community and nurturing partnerships. In my role as a university administrator, I also gained experience in conflict mediation, budgeting, and implementing diversity initiatives. I hope that these skills and experiences would add some helpful perspectives to the work of the Commission.

I might also add a couple of new dimensions of diversity to the DMC. I am the owner and occupant of a residential property in the downtown area. I can offer a perspective of what it is like to be a fulltime resident in this area, and the concerns and opportunities my neighbors and I see for the downtown. I also bring a perspective of one of the fastest growing segments of the population in Boulder - that of senior citizens. Engagement in cultural opportunities like those offered regularly in downtown can have a truly positive influence on the overall quality of life for older residents in our community. I would hope that I could, as appropriate, offer a perspective that considers the concerns and priorities of older residents in the work of Commission.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If I am selected to serve on the DMC, I would look forward to building relationships to be a good collaborator on the work with the commissioners and staff. I would hope through my service to become an effective, engaged, and enthusiastic liaison between the Commission and the downtown community to better identify needs and opportunities in the downtown area, and to find creative ways to prioritize and meet those needs. Finally I would hope that my contributions would help to make our downtown - Boulder's living room - an even safer and inviting place to live, run a business, and to visit.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 2025

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Mattress Firm

Occupation / Major of Study Sales

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Downtown Management Commission because as a downtown resident who primarily walks and bikes, I experience firsthand how decisions about events, infrastructure, and public spaces impact daily life. My production assistant experience has given me practical skills in event logistics and coordination, helping me understand the operational side of public gatherings. Living in downtown areas across multiple cities-including directly adjacent to Las Vegas's Life is Beautiful festival zone-I've seen how large events can both energize and disrupt neighborhoods, and I've also witnessed patterns in public safety challenges like homelessness and drug use that affect quality of life. I bring the perspective of someone who lives with these decisions every day: I know what works for pedestrians, what creates safety concerns, and how events affect residents. Combined with my organizational skills and deep investment in making Boulder my long-term home, I can help identify emerging patterns and contribute to solutions that keep downtown vibrant and livable for everyone.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I've lived in Boulder for just over a year, being downtown for about half of that, and while I haven't yet formally engaged with the DMC, I've been actively observing downtown initiatives and am committed to staying involved regardless of whether I'm selected for the board. My experience living in downtown areas across multiple cities-Las Vegas, Baton Rouge, Fayetteville-gives me a comparative perspective on what makes downtown living work well, from walkability and safety to how events impact residents.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to help make downtown Boulder the most sought-after destination in the area-bringing in tourism, events, and community engagement that generate revenue and energy-while protecting the livability, safety, and character that residents and local businesses depend on. Having lived through large-scale downtown events in other cities, I understand the tension between vibrancy and disruption. My goal is to help strike that balance: ensuring events and initiatives serve both visitors and the people who call downtown home. I want to contribute to decisions that enhance pedestrian and bike infrastructure, support local businesses, address public safety challenges with compassion and effectiveness, and create a downtown that feels welcoming and accessible to everyone while maintaining the unique integrity that makes Boulder special.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1992

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution People Productions Media Services, Inc.

Occupation / Major of Study Marketing

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived or worked in Boulder since 1992. I am a property owner in downtown Boulder, and own a business, People Productions, that started in 1994 in Boulder. I attended CU with a degree in journalism. I was the Chair of the Boulder Treatment Courts, working to help people with substance abuse problems to solve their root causes that brought them into the court system, instead of just putting them in prison without addressing their addictions.

I show my commitment to the community through my actions. Every year, my company donates videos to local non-profits and has partnered with Social Venture Partners and the Community Foundation to provide a great multiplier effect to their outreach efforts. We have provided videos for Voices for Children CASA, the Boulder Chamber, Bridge House, Interacambio, Women's Wilderness Institute, Thistle, BCAP, Boulder County Care Connect, United Way, and many others.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have been the chair 3 of the 5 years I have been on the Downtown Management Commission. My term is ending and I am reapplying to this commission. I have support of all of the other commissioners to continue serving, with comments such as "I don't know what we would do without you" and "I like you, Don" from the commissioners.

Cris Jones and I were strong collaborators. I chaired our only joint commission meeting with the DMC, University Hill, and Boulder Junction commissions. I was selected to represent the commissions for the recruitment video.
<https://tinyurl.com/BoulderRecruitment>

The DMC had an outdated set of priorities, not aligned with council our our member's goals. I led the charge to have an 'offsite' to redo our priorities and invited community members to gather their input, such as the Boulder Chamber and the Boulder Economic Council.

I have met with community members and joined in other meetings with the Downtown Boulder Partnership, including their neighborhood block meetings.

When the West End was closed and discussions around closing it or re-opening it were ongoing, I presented to Council to provide advisory input. Recently, when potential anomalies in process were found, I brought this to Council's attention to ensure we were following ordinances in a legal maner.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

The city is at a great turning point right now, with shifts in the structure of the staff, while Sundance is also barreling down the track. The role of the DMC is to advise Council on areas to lighten your load, and bring up issues that need deeper thought by Council.

I will provide a continuity of knowledge for downtown. The Downtown Boulder Partnership has an interim leader, and Mark Woulf is new to the DMC.

My priorities:

- Preparation and coordination for Sundance Festival
 - Public safety and homelessness
 - Rejuvenating Pearl Street in light of the work from home movement
 - The 50th anniversary of Pearl Street
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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2024

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired; USC graduate/Nebraska

Occupation / Major of Study Head women's college basketball coach

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I grew up in Boulder; graduated from FHS 1976. Played college basketball at USC then began coaching college basketball at Nebraska and Western Illinois (12 years). I Lived in Champaign Illinois for 35 years working for local non-profits (girl scouts, habitat for humanity, and most recently as executive director of the Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation. I returned to Boulder to retire (moved into my parents condo when they moved to retirement community). I've been involved over the past year volunteering with the bike valet at farmers market, creek clean up days, history tours at Chatauqua and bike tours At Pedego. I am eager to continue supporting Boulder in any way possible!

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No . I currently serve on the Chatauqua community connections committee.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Help Boulder protect its natural beauty, sustain a community for a wide range of people to enjoy and help build a community that is both inclusive and welcoming.

Date

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1997

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution All Roads

Occupation / Major of Study Development

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would love to be a part of this commission. My qualifications are diverse and spread out, but ones I think would be an asset to the commission's work moving forward. I majored in political science and had some experience in the lobbying, legislative realm for several years and have always had an interest in being involved on commissions within my community.

I worked at the Boulder Chamber for the past two years and made an effort to learn all I could about the city. I worked with the Transportation team at the chamber to learn all about CAGID and the many facets of Downtown. While working at the chamber, you work with a lot of downtown businesses, partners, like Downtown Boulder Partnership as well as Visit Boulder. I think I have a good understanding of the area this commission serves and would like to think I'd add to it. My current roll with All Roads, I think brings a unique perspective and one I hope the commission sees of value. In my personal life, I've served as a director on our HOA board for several years and am a mom to two teenagers. Nothing scares me anymore ;)

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had direct experience with this Board but have had some indirect experience with the services it oversees while working at the Boulder Chamber.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to continue to learn more about my community and where the needs are and how to help the downtown area thrive. This is an interesting time for downtown and would love to help shepherd the area through whatever lies ahead for our local businesses. I'm an advocate for small businesses as well as an advocate to make sure downtown is a shared resource for everyone to enjoy. I want our downtown to be easily accessible, enjoyable, safe and as affordable as possible for small, local businesses.

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Downtown Management Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Dec 1967

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Occupation / Major of Study Publishing

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Have lived downtown for 30 years and would like to help.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes, was Chairman of KGNU

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

kinder, nicer, place for all.

Date

12/31/2025 11:32 AM

Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Environmental Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Seat #3 - Appoint member to unexpired 2 year term through 3/31/2028

Current Members:

2030 Adam Winston
 2029 ANIE ROCHE
 2028 Alexandra Bothwell
 2027 Hannah Davis
 2026 Hannah Oltman

Occupation:

Attorney
 Scientist
 consultant / mom

Status:

Occupied
 Occupied
 Resigned 10/14/2025
 Occupied
 Occupied

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2021

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

University Corporation for Atmospheric Research

Occupation / Major of Study

Computational Science

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to give back to the Boulder community I call home and serving on the Environmental Advisory Board serves that goal. Additionally, I value the positive impact of science informed policy and wholeheartedly believe that engineers and scientists like myself should be engaged in serving their community by providing their specific skills and data based reasoning applied towards such efforts. This aligns particularly with Walter Orr Roberts intentions when founding NCAR wherein scientists have a responsibility to bridge science and societal interests and to inform and engage in public policy decision-making.

I specifically am qualified to serve on the Environmental Advisory Board given my long term experience and engagement with environmental concerns both in the technical science space and the societal space. As for my technical background, I studied atmospheric dynamics and linkages of monsoonal systems to societal adaptation practices during graduate school, while also gaining broad knowledge across many additional areas of concern including renewable energy and environmental pollution management. Though today I generally support the computational needs of my science peers at NCAR, I continue to learn from many of the world experts who visit and engage with the NCAR community. As for my societal skills, I have regularly volunteered with local organizations that focus on environmental issues, including 350.org and was recently also elected as an incoming co-chair of the Indian Peaks Group Sierra Club Executive Committee.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have given public comments on past issues including framing housing policy as climate policy as well as sharing relevant wildfire risk and WUI research with city elected officials and staff. I have also volunteered for some Play Boulder programming focusing on environmental stewardship efforts such as tree planting and supporting group trail hikes and ecological education.

More specific to this board, I've given feedback on the city Climate Action Plan via standard feedback mechanisms but beyond reviewing occasional EAB meeting packets, I have admittedly not have had significant impact on EAB directly via it public comments or similar at their meetings.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to focus one priority of EAB's efforts this year on wildfire resilience and better understanding of both the problem and the solutions towards managing WUI exposure and disaster risk. Most important to that process is to simultaneously highlight the convergence of wildfire risk with many other issues, including agriculture and soil health, urban planning design choices, and building materials. With this attention paid towards wildfire risk and adaptation needs, especially prioritizing at risk lower income communities, I aim to foster the collaboration needed across our city advisory boards and staff departments to creatively pursue solutions to wildfire resilience. The risk from wildfires will only increase with time and our city must address this problem together.

In addition to focusing on wildfire risk, I would like to consider supporting community programs which nurture a community stewardship for nature. Whether it's biking outside, starting a community garden, or learning about nature through OSMP rangers, I would like to see EAB assess and amplify these programs for many more Boulder residents to benefit from, towards the end goal where those same residents are empowered as new Earth stewards for our shared environment.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2024

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Tangible

Occupation / Major of Study Engineer

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would be honored to serve on the Environmental Advisory Board. As someone eager to deepen my involvement in the community, I hope to contribute valuable insights and feedback based on my professional experience. Over the past 10 years, I have worked in building design and construction, with roles at both engineering design firms and technology companies. My projects have ranged from interior office renovations to ground-up, high-performance laboratories on university campuses. Early in my career, I specialized in energy efficiency and operational decarbonization, and more recently, I have focused on low-carbon building materials. I hold an undergraduate degree in Architectural Engineering from University of Texas at Austin and a graduate degree in Architecture with a concentration in Building Decarbonization from University of California Berkeley.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have extensive experience in green building practices and have also gained professional exposure to areas such as waste management, air quality, noise pollution, and energy grid systems.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I aim to support sustainability initiatives related to buildings and infrastructure, and contribute to strengthening Boulder's reputation as a national leader in advanced building codes.

Date

01/17/2026 10:14 AM

Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
Submission Time: December 12, 2025 8:18 am
Unique ID: 1413320613

Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2024

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado Boulder

Occupation / Major of Study Masters of the Environment

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? Less than \$25,000 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I grew up in Kentucky. It's not usually the first place people think of when they picture "environmental action". For much of my life, I often felt like the only environmentalist in the room. I eventually realized that this isn't because Kentuckians are indifferent, but because many still remember when coal was not only the most affordable and reliable energy option, but also the biggest employer in town. People like to stick with what has worked in the past to keep the lights on, even if it's less effective today. As I've gotten older, I've learned that the most effective conversations about environmental issues begin by grounding them within people's lived realities. By emphasizing solutions that align sustainability goals with community priorities, I've developed an approach to environmental problem-solving that is empathetic, solutions-oriented, and collaborative.

It's this mindset, my commitment to advancing environmental progress in the Boulder community, and my academic and professional experiences that motivate me to serve on Boulder's Environmental Advisory Board. Throughout my undergraduate years at Centre College, I gained extensive experience in sustainability and environmental governance. I was elected by Centre faculty to serve as the sole student representative on the College's Sustainability Committee. For two years, I helped identify long-term goals and actions the College could integrate into their 10-Year Master Plan for Development. Our work ultimately led to sustainability being adopted as one of the plan's core pillars.

Outside of the Committee, I co-founded Centre's first Office of Sustainability alongside my professor, where I served as the main student liaison and conducted benchmarking research on peer institutions to identify sustainability best practices. One focus of my research was dining services, and after I graduated, the College transitioned to a provider known for its strong sustainability performance. I also sat on the Green Revolving Fund board, reviewing student proposals and evaluating which projects would provide meaningful environmental benefits to the campus as a whole.

Outside of academia, I worked as the Communications Coordinator for the Louisville Sustainability Council (LSC) in my hometown of Louisville, Kentucky. I regularly attended, facilitated, and served as secretary at the LSC's board meetings and retreats. This work gave me a strong understanding of board procedures, consensus-building, agenda-setting, and strategic planning. I later served on the Solarize Louisville board as a representative for both the LSC and Solar Energy Solutions. In this role, I provided customized solar quotes for program participants, developed outreach materials, and tracked weekly performance metrics to present at each board meeting.

More recently, my work as a Colorado Resilience Engine (CORE) intern with the City of Louisville (Colorado) strengthened my

understanding of local government operations along the Front Range. I presented my deliverables to the Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board and attended several of their meetings, which gave me firsthand experience with board dynamics and community-driven decision-making. In this role, I also worked on a wide range of sustainability initiatives, such as rebate program design, emergency preparedness outreach, interdepartmental coordination, website accessibility, and water conservation. I now have a much greater understanding of how to move environmental projects from concept to implementation within local government.

As a current graduate student at CU Boulder specializing in Environmental & Energy Policy, I also bring graduate-level technical knowledge and a fresh perspective on issues ranging from natural resource management and sustainable to renewable energy systems and utility regulation.

Relocating to Boulder from Kentucky has given me an invaluable dual perspective. I've worked in communities where environmental progress has depended on incredibly persistent coalition-building, and I now live in a place where sustainability is deeply woven into the local identity. This contrast has strengthened my ability to communicate across viewpoints and bring people together on progressive yet pragmatic solutions. Boulder has quickly become home for me, and I'm eager to contribute to the city that has inspired me since I was 14 and first becoming an environmental advocate. I hope to serve on the Board as a dedicated, thoughtful, and collaborative community representative.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I haven't yet attended an Environmental Advisory Board meeting, I'm familiar with municipal board processes through regularly attending the City of Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board meetings this semester.

I've worked in multiple areas relevant to the Board, including helping develop communications for Louisville's upcoming Eco-Cycle voucher program and conducting research on turf-conversion and pesticide-free practices in partnership with Boulder staff.

My strongest background is in energy and green buildings. At CU Boulder, I've taken coursework in energy systems, utility regulation, and geothermal/thermal networks, and I'm completing my Capstone with Denver's Office of Climate Action on neighborhood-scale electrification under HB 24-1370. I also led the winning team in DOE's 2024 Geothermal Collegiate Competition and am working toward a LEED certification this upcoming spring.

Professionally, my work with Solar Energy Solutions and the Solarize Louisville bulk-purchase program gave me hands-on experience with solar adoption and outreach. My earliest exposure to environmental issues came through air-quality challenges in my hometown of Louisville, Kentucky, which motivated my continued work in this field.

I haven't yet had any experiences with the Board itself, but I'd welcome the opportunity to attend a meeting and submit a public comment as a Boulder resident. This past semester, much of my time was dedicated to attending and presenting my findings at the City of Louisville's Sustainability Advisory Board (LSAB) meetings. While this isn't directly related to Boulder's Environmental Advisory Board, the LSAB meetings enhanced my understanding of how municipal boards operate and the kinds of issues they routinely address.

I do, however, have experience with many of the services and topic areas the Boulder Environmental Advisory Board oversees. Most recently, I supported the City of Louisville's Sustainability Specialist in preparing for the launch of a new Eco-Cycle voucher program. I helped develop communications materials for its 2026 rollout and figure out how to transition the initiative from a single-day event to an ongoing voucher program that increases accessibility for residents.

I have the strongest academic and professional background in energy and green building. At CU Boulder, I've taken extensive coursework in energy systems and building modeling, utility regulation, and non-pipeline alternatives, and I'm particularly interested in geothermal energy and thermal energy networks. I'm currently completing my Capstone with Denver's Office of Climate Action, Sustainability, and Resiliency (CASR), where I've been conducting research over the past year to support Denver's role as a gas planning pilot community under HB 24-1370. I also

served as Captain of the winning team in the U.S. Department of Energy's 2024 Geothermal Collegiate Competition. This spring, I will be taking a greenhouse gas accounting course and pursuing my LEED certification, for which I've already begun studying. Professionally, my work with Solar Energy Solutions and the Solarize Louisville bulk-purchase program has given me hands-on experience in residential solar adoption and bulk purchasing programs. All of these experiences have provided me with a strong foundation in the decarbonization space.

In the area of integrated pest management, I consulted with a City of Boulder representative during my internship at the City of Louisville. I reached out to multiple municipalities across Colorado to conduct research on non-residential turf-conversion programs. Her insights on avoiding pesticide use in non-functional turf removal informed my final recommendations to the City of Louisville, which emphasized more natural and ecologically sensitive approaches.

My earliest exposure to the environmental field as a whole came through air quality issues I observed in my hometown of Louisville, Kentucky. As an undergraduate, I conducted research on these challenges, as there are many chemical plants that reside near low-income and disadvantaged residential neighborhoods.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to contribute meaningfully to Boulder's climate goals, supporting the city in achieving its target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 70% from the 2019 baseline by 2030. I believe reaching this goal will require cross-departmental and cross-board coordination, as well as regional collaboration with other municipalities. During my internship with the City of Louisville, I created a matrix of water conservation programs across Colorado and conducted over 15 interviews with local government staff. Many of these contacts had not spoken to one another before, so I shared the matrix with interviewees to facilitate knowledge exchange and learning between municipalities, an experience that strengthened my understanding of the value of information-sharing.

I also hope to contribute to Boulder's work on climate resilience, adaptation, and emergency planning. This past September, I helped organize National Disaster Preparedness Month in Louisville, developing campaign themes, coordinating workshops and community events, and connecting resilience messaging back to the City's broader sustainability initiatives. These experiences revealed to me the importance of integrating preparedness and adaptation into environmental sustainability planning.

At the same time, I'm committed to advancing environmental initiatives that are equitable and grounded in the realities of Boulder's high cost of living. In my Capstone with Denver's Office of Climate Action, Sustainability, and Resiliency (CASR), I explored how neighborhood-scale electrification can be implemented in low-income and disadvantaged communities, including renter neighborhoods, in ways that maximize benefits without exacerbating housing or energy costs. I believe truly sustainable environmental action must be environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable. If we don't hit all three of these pillars, then the initiative isn't truly sustainable. I want to help Boulder marry these two goals.

Lastly, I'm committed to amplifying the perspectives of students, renters, and younger residents, groups who are often underrepresented on boards, so that Boulder's environmental future reflects the full breadth of its community members.

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 1992

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution NCAR

Occupation / Major of Study Senior Scientist

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to give back to the city of Boulder. I am about to retire from my job as a senior scientist in the atmospheric chemistry lab at NCAR so I will have more time to devote to public service. I hold a PhD in atmospheric chemistry and am an internationally recognized expert on air quality and air pollution chemistry. Since 2023 I have served on the Colorado Air Quality Enterprise Board (currently chair of the board). For many years I have enjoyed doing public outreach and education events such as public talks, open houses at NCAR, outreach to schools and the public during field campaigns, etc.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I want to help the city of Boulder to make informed decisions on environmental strategies, particularly concerning air emissions, air quality, and general environmental issues. Being retired (mid-January) will allow me to spend time researching issues and seeking input from the literature and colleagues across the environmental sciences on issues beyond my immediate expertise.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2023

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution The Nature Conservancy

Occupation / Major of Study Science/policy Researcher

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have an AB in environmental science and public policy from Harvard University and a PhD in resources, environment, and sustainability from the University of British Columbia. I now work for The Nature Conservancy in Boulder, where I conduct scientific research and shape state policies to advance equitable, wildlife-friendly renewable energy transitions in Colorado. A lot of my past and present research focuses on how to help cities adapt to climate change in ways that are equitable and wildlife-friendly.

I have previously served on environmental boards, including a board in Vancouver, BC on cat and bird protection, an environmental advocacy board at Harvard University, and represented students at the University of British Columbia on the student union board, as well as multiple diversity, equity, and inclusion boards at my places of employment.

These experiences have given me the environmental expertise and ability to serve as an effective board member.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on this board, but as a Boulder resident I use energy, live in an energy-using building, consume and dispose of waste in Boulder, and every day rely on these and other services that this Board oversees. I would love the opportunity to lend my skills and experience to contributing to this board to make Boulder a more environmentally sustainable city.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Energy, waste, wildlife, people, marginalization, and climate are all intimately connected. I have been studying these interconnections and making policy recommendations for many years, and I hope to use these experiences to help the Environmental Advisory Board better understand our complex city to give more targeted and wise recommendations to City Council and other Boards and Commissions.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Occupation / Major of Study Renewable and Sustainable Energy Systems

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? Less than \$25,000 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

The City of Boulder exemplifies how local governments can lead sustainable change, especially with current limitations at the federal level. I believe now is a crucial time for local governments to demonstrate how climate and environmental action can enhance residents' local economies, health, and livelihoods, and I want to be part of this effort. Currently, most of my work focuses on climate action planning and developing decarbonization strategies. . Being on the Environmental Advisory Board would allow me to support my community more directly and apply the skills I've gained from projects outside Colorado, bringing them back home. I want to help develop scalable solutions tailored to our community. Boulder's values and initiatives speak volumes, and I would be honored to serve the community in this role.

I bring strong technical knowledge in sustainability and practical experience across local government policy, community engagement, and project implementation. My experience aligns closely with the City of Boulder's priorities, particularly in energy, buildings, zero-waste practices, and procurement. I have supported circular economy and capacity-building initiatives with ICLEI USA, built decarbonization and resilience policy with Building Power Resource Center (BPRC), and supported hyper-local wildfire resilience projects with the Four Corners Carbon Coalition.

Below are the skills and sustainability topics that I can contribute to the Environmental Advisory Board:

Building decarbonization and community co-creation: I've served residents and community groups through my roles at BPRC. BPRC is a national resource hub that helps community organizations and local governments access federal funds for innovative climate policies. During my time there, I supported a public housing decarbonization pilot in Allegheny County, in partnership with two coalitions and tenant leaders. I facilitate meetings with the tenant council president to listen to tenant concerns (air quality, energy outages, and costs), and co-develop solutions that align with sustainability goals. We developed a project that addresses resident needs, weatherizes the building, and decarbonizes it. I plan to bring my understanding of tenant needs and priorities to my role as a board member.

Energy modeling for decarbonization: Through my Masters of the Environment degree at CU Boulder, with a focus on Renewable and Sustainable Energy, I completed Scope 1 and 2 GHG inventories, building energy modeling, EUI calculations, and financial analysis for decarbonization projects. I also researched 100% electric building policies, analyzing a range of laws upheld in court, including zero-emission standards for space and water

heaters, building appliance regulations, and all-electric building codes. I aim to use my expertise in systems, energy, and policy to support decarbonization efforts with the City of Boulder.

Climate Action Plan Implementation: I conducted a statewide analysis and authored a white paper on 22 Climate Action Plans (CAPs) across Minnesota with support from local coalitions: 100% and Unidos. My analysis evaluates how local governments support neighborhood-scale sustainability projects. I assessed key resilience aspects, including vulnerability assessments, environmental justice and cumulative impacts, emergency preparedness, adaptive capacity planning, resilience of municipal operations and infrastructure, the use of natural infrastructure, and cross-jurisdictional relationships. The insights from my research could help guide Boulder's policy development to expand scalable, replicable neighborhood resilience.

Sustainable procurement and circularity: At ICLEI USA, I co-developed and co-led the Sustainable and Circular Procurement Cohort for 25 local governments, including our front-range neighbors Lakewood and Englewood, while also providing one-on-one technical support to their sustainability staff. I'd like to apply my knowledge to ensure that Boulder's procurement goals align with climate and equity outcomes, economic growth, and social benefits.

I am drawn to the EAB board because it combines public service, community advocacy, technical sustainability expertise, and holistic thinking. I would be excited to bring my experience in local government sustainability to support a thriving community for its members. Thank you for your time and consideration.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

My only experience with the Board has been watching recorded videos of the meetings. Additionally, when working for ICLEI USA, we would occasionally partner with the City of Boulder's circularity team to have them serve as a guest speaker for our cohort on Sustainable and Circular Public procurement.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to represent the perspective of young, sustainability-minded, equity-focused community members in Boulder. I bring experience across multiple fields of sustainability, and I recently graduated from the Master of the Environment program, where I gained up-to-date knowledge on energy decarbonization and local government climate action.

With my experience analyzing local government Climate Action Plans (CAPs) and effective implementation methods, I can offer valuable insights into which policies and projects are most important to advance in Boulder, and how to move them forward. Through my work with ICLEI USA on sustainable procurement and circularity, I can also share knowledge on extended producer responsibility policies to help inform Boulder's approach.

Ultimately, I want to help ensure that the City of Boulder remains ambitious and takes a systematic approach when considering policies that impact our environment. I hope to achieve this through thoughtful advising and collaboration on the board.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2005

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution

Recently retired from United States Department of Agriculture.
Currently working at Patagonia on Pearl.

Occupation / Major of Study

Environmental Science and Public Policy

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have had the wonderful opportunity to work as a sustainability professional across sectors, geographies and time periods. I have grappled with environmental impacts from various perspectives - as a researcher, analyst, investor, educator, entrepreneur, partner and community member. I recently retired from the US Department of Agriculture, where I worked with the Food and Nutrition Service on a range of nutrition security and nutrition assistance programs. I would love to draw on my technical training, professional experience and personal conviction to make a positive impact in my beloved hometown, Boulder, Colorado.

I started my career in the administrator's office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, where I worked on redesigning the national framework for environmental protection to test new approaches that can deliver cleaner, cheaper, smarter environmental solutions. As a Presidential Management Fellow, I took a two-year break from EPA to staff the President's Council on Sustainability Development. This experience was quite formative. It was the first time I saw the power of community engagement and multistakeholder processes. Since that time, I have deepened my belief that forward progress requires sound science, rigorous analysis and fair and inclusive processes.

I have served in a variety of boards and community organizations, in both leadership roles and as a volunteer. I served as vice president of the board of the Washington (DC) Area Bicyclist Association and closer to home I am active as a volunteer in EFAA and Boulder Food Rescue. I was involved with BVSD schools for 8 years as parent lead for green team activities and I have been a judge for the CU Boulder-hosted Leeds Sustainability national Case Competition for 10 years.

My environmental claim to fame is that (I think) I was the first person in the US with the official job title of Senior Sustainability Analyst. I worked for Calvert Investments for 14 years as Senior Sustainability Analyst where every day I had to decide what business policies, practices and performance are green enough to be eligible for inclusion in sustainable and responsible mutual funds.

I believe my practical experiences, broad perspective and years in public service prepare me well to be a community representative and member of the City of Boulder Environmental Advisory Board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had any specific experience with this board. I have experience with and knowledge of a number of priority issues within the board's purview, including sustainable food systems, food justice, climate action, water resources, waste management. I am eager to learn more about the board and the priority issues. I am eager to work with board members, City Council, city staff, other boards and community members to advance sustainability. I am happy to share my resume if that would be helpful.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to be of service to our community. I hope to use my environmental science and policy expertise to help drive progress. I hope to continue my own education and understanding of the City of Boulder's existing planning landscape, including the Climate Action Plan, the Comprehensive Plan and others, so that I can be knowledgeable and informed as a board member. I would hope to bring thoughtfulness, imagination, kindness, collaboration and a solid work ethic to my work with the board.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1991

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Occupation / Major of Study Climate Change Science to Policy

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Environmental Advisory Board because Boulder has been my home for 35 years, and I want to contribute my professional expertise to the work this board does advising Council on environmental policy.

My qualifications include an MSc in Earth Sciences from CU Boulder, where I conducted atmospheric methane isotope research at INSTAAR, giving me technical grounding in environmental science. I spent over 30 years leading environmental and climate resilience programs, most recently as USAID's Senior Climate Specialist and Environment Officer where I coordinated integration across multiple sectors including environment, health, infrastructure, and finance. Previously, as CEO of ISET-International based here in Boulder, I managed multi-million dollar programs helping Asian and African cities understand how climate hazards propagate across interconnected urban systems.

What I bring is a systems thinking approach. From reviewing the board's 2025 work, I see Boulder has strong holistic framing through the SER framework, whole-of-government Climate Action Plan approach, and cascading risk modeling, alongside detailed sector-level work on wildfire, water, grid reliability, and individual site reviews. My career has focused on keeping systems-level thinking present while working on sector and project implementation, helping decision-makers see how specific actions connect to broader resilience goals.

I understand the board's role is to advise, not direct. I'm comfortable working collaboratively and helping translate technical complexity into clear recommendations that Council can act on.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not attended EAB meetings, but I have reviewed the full year of 2025 meeting packets and recordings to understand the board's current priorities and how it operates.

I have direct experience with the substantive areas the board oversees. On climate action, I spent four years as USAID's Senior Climate Specialist coordinating integration across government programs, work that parallels Boulder's whole-of-government approach. On waste, I'm currently supporting the development of a forest waste-to-soil carbon project here in Boulder. On water, my international work focused on urban water resilience and flood management, and I hold an MSc in Earth Sciences from CU Boulder with research at INSTAAR. On cascading risks, my work in Asian cities explicitly modeled how climate hazards propagate across interconnected urban systems.

I'm familiar with the board's recent letter to Council advocating for a food systems position, the discussions around landscape codes and firewise requirements, and the updates to the Climate Action Plan that staff presented in November.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute in three ways.

First, I want to help the board maintain a systems perspective as it advises on sector-specific and project-level work. Boulder has strong holistic framing through the SER framework and the whole-of-government approach to the Climate Action Plan, alongside necessary sector-specific work on wildfire, water, buildings, and grid reliability. My experience coordinating across sectors can help the board keep asking how a specific policy or project connects to broader resilience goals, whether it addresses cascading risks, and whether it advances multiple SER outcomes simultaneously.

Second, I want to support the board's continued engagement with resilience planning. The 2024 letter to Council called for relaunching the Resilience Strategy, and I bring direct professional expertise in this area. I can help the board think through how social and financial resilience connect to physical infrastructure hardening, and how to frame resilience recommendations that are actionable within Council's work plan.

Third, I want to be a collaborative and prepared board member who does the homework, listens to fellow members and staff, and helps translate technical complexity into clear recommendations. I'm not coming in with a personal agenda. I want to learn, support the board's collective work, and help Council make well-informed decisions.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2024

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution

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Occupation / Major of Study

Physical Scientist/ BA in Environmental Studies with a concentration in Public Policy, Minor in Geological Science, Master of Science in Geographic Information System (GIS)

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Environmental Advisory Board because my work and academic studies have shown me how critical the decisions we make surrounding the environment are to everything that surrounds us-our ecosystems, public health, and community resilience. As Boulder continues to develop and advance, I want to contribute to ensuring we prioritize sustainable practices. I'm passionate about zero waste initiatives and particularly interested in how industries can implement circular economy principles through resource recycling and reuse. Serving on the board would allow me to apply my expertise directly to local environmental challenges and help shape policies that protect our environment for future generations.

My academic foundation includes a BA in Environmental Studies with a concentration in public policy and a minor in geological science, along with an MS in Geographic Information Systems. This interdisciplinary training has equipped me to analyze complex environmental and sustainability issues from multiple perspectives-understanding both the scientific principles governing these systems and the policy frameworks needed to protect them.

For the past 5 years, I have been serving as an inspector and case developer for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, where I regulate compliance with the Clean Water Act. While my views are my own and not a reflection of the agency, this role has given me expert knowledge in federal environmental regulations, particularly around pollution prevention, waste management, and environmental compliance. I routinely conduct site inspections, assess environmental impacts, develop enforcement cases, and work with regulated entities to achieve compliance. This experience has deepened my understanding of both the technical and regulatory aspects of environmental protection, as well as the practical challenges communities and stakeholders face in meeting environmental standards.

My GIS expertise enables me to analyze environmental data spatially, identify pollution sources, map air quality patterns, and visualize sustainability metrics in ways that support informed decision-making. Combined with my geological science background, I can assess how pollutants move through natural and built environments and anticipate potential environmental impacts.

I am committed to collaborative, transparent governance that balances environmental protection with community needs. I bring strong analytical skills, regulatory knowledge, and a genuine passion for environmental stewardship that would contribute to the board's mission of advising City Council on critical

environmental issues including solid waste, recycling, pollution prevention, energy, green building, and integrated pest management.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on or worked directly with this Board, but I am deeply familiar with environmental compliance and sustainability practices through my daily work at the EPA. My role requires me to inspect industrial facilities, wastewater treatment plants, construction sites, landfills, and various industrial operations to ensure environmental compliance. I have reviewed countless pollution prevention plans, waste management systems, stormwater controls, and best management practices across multiple industries.

This hands-on experience has given me comprehensive knowledge of how environmental systems function, where they commonly fail, and what solutions are most effective. I understand the operational, financial, and regulatory challenges that municipalities and industries face in achieving environmental goals, as well as the technical requirements needed to protect our environment. While I haven't served on this specific Board, my professional experience has prepared me to understand the complex environmental management issues Boulder faces and to contribute informed, practical perspectives to the Board's advisory role.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help the Board advise City Council on Boulder's environmental challenges with both scientific rigor and practical solutions. Specifically, I want to contribute to:

Zero waste and circular economy advancement - I'm passionate about moving Boulder toward zero waste goals through improved recycling programs, waste reduction strategies, and promoting circular economy principles where materials are continuously reused rather than disposed of. My experience evaluating industrial operations positions me to identify opportunities for waste minimization and resource recovery.

Pollution prevention and environmental compliance - I want to help develop proactive strategies that prevent pollution before it occurs, rather than simply managing it afterward. This includes advising on green building practices, integrated pest management approaches, and industrial pollution prevention measures that protect our air, water, and soil.

Energy efficiency and sustainable development - As Boulder continues to grow, I want to help ensure our development is truly sustainable. This means promoting energy-efficient building practices, supporting renewable energy adoption, and ensuring new development incorporates environmental best practices from the start.

Bridging technical expertise with community needs - Environmental policy can be highly technical, but the decisions we make affect everyone. I want to help translate complex environmental science and regulatory requirements into clear, accessible information that empowers community members to understand and engage with environmental decisions.

Proactive problem-solving - My work diagnosing environmental compliance issues has taught me to identify problems before they become crises. I hope to bring that forward-thinking approach to the Board, anticipating challenges related to climate change, emerging pollutants, and evolving environmental standards.

Ultimately, I want to contribute to ensuring Boulder remains an environmental leader while supporting responsible development and community wellbeing for generations to come.

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 2007

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired Regulatory/Environmental Professional

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Twelve years' experience as a petroleum landman; 25 years' experience as a regulatory coordinator/environmental manager in oil & gas; five years as a Bureau of Land Management NEPA coordinator.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Simply bring a practical, common sense & non-ideological voice to the board/commission.

Date

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2024

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Occupation / Major of Study Job Searching

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I'm interested in serving on the City of Boulder's Environmental Advisory Board because I care deeply about advancing practical, people-centered environmental policy at the local level. My interest in this work comes from both lived experience with environmental injustice and several years of professional experience working on environmental and energy policy in government and nonprofit settings.

Most recently, I worked at the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators, where I led climate and energy policy work across Western states. I partnered closely with state and local decision-makers to develop policy recommendations, translate complex environmental issues, and support legislation related to clean energy, air quality, wildfire resilience, and pollution reduction. This role strengthened my ability to evaluate policy impacts and provide clear, actionable guidance to decision makers.

I also have direct local government experience. With the City of Fort Collins, I supported community engagement around oil and gas development and helped implement an EPA grant focused on air quality monitoring and outreach to environmental justice communities. Additionally, I previously served on the City of Fort Collins Energy Board, advising City Council and staff on energy and climate policy, which gave me hands-on experience serving in an advisory board role.

In addition, I have served on the Colorado Public Utilities Commission's Equity Advisory Focus Group, where I helped advise the Commission on integrating equity into energy regulation and decision-making, giving me experience engaging at the state level while centering community impacts.

I would bring to the EAB a strong policy background, experience working with local and state governments, and a collaborative approach to problem-solving. I'm excited about the opportunity to contribute to Boulder's environmental leadership and help support thoughtful, community-informed decision-making.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on or directly worked with the Environmental Advisory Board. However, through my professional experience in environmental policy and local government, I am familiar with many of the issue areas the Board oversees, including air quality, energy, pollution prevention, and sustainability. I'm eager to learn more about the Board's work and contribute my experience to support its mission.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help Boulder continue to be a national leader on environmental issues. I'm excited to support and strengthen the City's work on solid waste reduction, recycling, pollution prevention, air quality, and sustainable land management. I'm particularly interested in contributing to Boulder's transition to 100% renewable energy and advancing greener, healthier buildings, especially as the city sees new development and major retrofits to existing buildings.

I also hope to bring a strong focus on how climate change intersects with these issues and help ensure Boulder's policies are forward-looking, equitable, and responsive to emerging challenges.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Environmental Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 1963

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired from Eberspaecher VAIREX

Occupation / Major of Study Executive (CEO)

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My parents moved to Boulder in 1963 when I was a teenager, a dream come true for a kid with "Ski" as his given name.

I graduated from Boulder High, and the University of Colorado and started an architecture firm (Milburn Sparr) dedicated to energy efficient building design. Along the way I joined the Board of Novan Energy, a local leader in early hot water solar systems, and helped guide the company as CEO when we pivoted to industrial water filtration systems. I then went on to found VAIREX, a company that first developed components for diesel emissions systems and later components for fuel cell energy systems. A few years ago I sold VAIREX to the multibillion dollar global auto parts manufacturer Eberspaecher and served as the CEO until my retirement a couple of years ago.

The common thread in all of this was my love, respect and protection of the environment of the city and state I love, on the only planet that the human race has. Much of my career has been spent abroad engaged in international business, and observing how they do things in other places, and developing a collection of best practices from everywhere I've been.

As a dedicated skier, I've also been drawn to the intersection of climate, precipitation, and water resources and the way agriculture, carbon sequestration and air quality interact. This kind of pattern recognition, once the foundation of my career, is now a big part of how I see the world.

I've served on corporate and non-profit boards, and as Founder/CEO/Chief Visionary of a number of organizations in my long life. I know how to work with people, and how to inspire them to find solutions to seemingly impossible situations.

I'd like to see how I can help the Environmental Advisory Board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not beyond reading about the EAB in the newspaper and on the internet once in a while.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

We have real issues here around air quality, water resources, and climate change. Practically everything we do touches, or is touched by one or more of these.

I can help with creating roadmaps to see our way clear to the future. To appreciate the interconnectedness of every action we take, and to act as wise (not just busy) stewards of the environment that we enjoy here, but also depend upon.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Authority-Boulder Housing Partners

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2003

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Contact Information

Name Andrew Burwick

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Home Address [REDACTED]

Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self employed

Occupation / Major of Study Consultant - Policy Research, Evaluation, and Strategy

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am applying to serve on the Boulder Housing Partners board of commissioners to promote the housing authority's continuing efforts to expand affordable housing options for low- and moderate-income Boulder residents. I hope to contribute my expertise in housing policy and program impact evaluation to support the agency in responding creatively and assertively to the need for affordable housing in Boulder, managing available resources effectively in a changing policy environment, and assessing the results of its programs and services for residents.

With a career centered on human services, evidence-based policy, and local community engagement, I would bring a perspective to the Boulder Housing Partners Board that combines a deep commitment to affordable housing development with experience in financial oversight and an orientation toward rigorous, data-driven decision making. As a social policy researcher and strategy consultant, I have evaluated and managed complex, multi-million-dollar initiatives and projects, conducted cost-benefit and long-term fiscal analyses, and assessed the impact of housing assistance for vulnerable populations. This experience and expertise have prepared me well to help Boulder Housing Partners in its work to manage and expand its affordable-housing portfolio and to offer governance oversight that emphasizes sustainable operations and positive outcomes for residents.

Through decades of engagement in the Boulder nonprofit community-as a board member, staff member, and pro-bono consultant with Social Venture Partners of Boulder County-I have supported a variety of organizations in strategic planning, capacity building, and stewarding public and philanthropic resources responsibly. My involvement in successful efforts to develop supportive housing projects in Boulder and Denver has given me a practical understanding of how development financing, property operations, and resident services must align to produce stable, high-quality homes and positive community outcomes. I also am well versed in the complex financing, partnerships, and rental assistance funding streams that are typical of affordable housing projects.

More information about my professional background and community engagement activities is available on my LinkedIn profile: www.linkedin.com/in/andrewburwick

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have experience developing affordable housing, rigorously evaluating housing interventions for vulnerable populations, and supporting public and private agencies in creating and testing strategies to promote housing stability and other positive outcomes for individuals and families. As a member of the board and leadership team of a local housing organization, TGTHR, I was directly involved in the conceptualization, planning, financing, and implementation of supportive housing developments in Boulder and Denver. These efforts included identifying suitable locations for redevelopment, negotiating and collaborating with private developers and government agencies, reviewing financial projections and pro-formas, and securing public and private funding for development costs and supportive services for residents. Boulder Housing Partners and the City of Boulder supported one of these housing developments as a fiscal agent and funder.

In my current role as a social policy researcher and consultant, I am leading a federally-funded project that engages local housing authorities and child welfare agencies in efforts to identify and test strategies to promote housing stability for young adults exiting foster care. This work requires a deep understanding of the policy and programmatic context in which housing agencies operate, the eligibility requirements for specific types of housing assistance, and the potential for cross-agency partnerships to support positive housing outcomes for residents. Finally, through my work with Social Venture Partners, I have provided strategic planning support to the Emergency Family Assistance Association, which works closely with BHP to facilitate access to affordable housing resources for lower-income households.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to provide effective governance and thought partnership to support Boulder Housing Partners in bringing its current development projects to fruition, creating a strong pipeline of future projects to continue to expand access to affordable housing, maintaining existing properties to a high standard, and delivering effective services for residents. In particular, I would aim to:

- Ensure BHP maintains a high level of capacity for affordable housing development. As BHP continues an ambitious pace of growth, it will be critical for the board of commissioners to work with staff to ensure the organization's financial and human resources are used efficiently and effectively. I hope to support BHP in its creative efforts to leverage financial support from multiple sources to fund ongoing development and the maintenance and improvement of existing properties. In addition, I look forward to supporting BHP's strategic planning as the organization monitors and adapts to changes to policy and funding priorities at the federal level.

- Contribute to BHP's efforts to measure key outcomes. Monitoring of financial and program metrics and responding to the information they provide will continue to be an essential contributor to BHP's organizational effectiveness. I hope to have the opportunity to work with BHP commissioners and staff to review, as needed, BHP's performance metrics and identify ways in which progress toward key goals might be measured even more comprehensively or effectively. For example, BHP might benefit from exploring new ways of proactively tracking resident well-being, satisfaction, and housing stability, in line with the agency's strategic goal of supporting residents and strengthening community.

- Collaborate with BHP staff, as appropriate, to explore new opportunities to engage residents and promote positive housing and family outcomes. BHP's annual plan for its Moving To Work demonstration funding identifies enhancement of resident services and increased resident engagement as key objectives. I hope to leverage my experience in program design, implementation, and evaluation to support BHP in identifying creative strategies to fulfill these goals and measuring their results.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Authority-Boulder Housing Partners

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 1987

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Remax of Boulder

Occupation / Major of Study Realtor

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Black or African-American

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Re: Application for Reappointment to the Boulder Housing Partners Commission

Dear Members of the Boulder City Council,

I am writing to express my sincere interest in being reappointed to the Boulder Housing Partners Commission for a second term. Serving on the Board has been an immensely meaningful experience for me, both personally and professionally. I have grown significantly during my first term, and I remain deeply committed to supporting BHP's mission and the residents we serve.

My commitment to this work is rooted in my own lived experience. I grew up in public housing, which was my initial attraction to volunteering on this commission. I know firsthand what it means to have a place to call home and to create community in such an environment. My single mother raised three daughters there, and we all became engaged, responsible citizens - shaped in part by the sense of community we were part of in "the projects." While BHP is a far cry from the housing I grew up in, especially in terms of aesthetics, the core truth remains unchanged: having a safe place to lay our heads at night, surrounded by loving neighbors, grounded us. That understanding continues to guide my service and fuels my dedication to this work.

One of the greatest privileges of my first term has been the opportunity to work alongside BHP's extraordinary staff. From Jeremy's leadership to the dedication of the maintenance personnel who support our communities every day, I have come to admire each member of the organization. One is as valuable as the other. The administrative staff is as fine as they come - brilliant, hardworking, kind, caring, and wholly dedicated to their work. Their professionalism and compassion inspire me, and their unwavering commitment to BHP's mission strengthens my desire to continue contributing to this organization.

Boulder Housing Partners plays a vital role in ensuring that Boulder remains a diverse, inclusive, and accessible community. I am proud to support an organization that provides high-quality, affordable homes and fosters stable, thriving neighborhoods. I believe deeply in the importance of equitable housing policy and in the power of community-centered decision-making.

If reappointed, I would continue to bring thoughtful engagement, respect for diverse perspectives, and a strong sense of responsibility to the work of the Commission. I am eager to build on the progress of my first term and to help Boulder Housing

Partners continue advancing innovative, compassionate, and sustainable housing solutions for our community.

Thank you for considering my application. It would be an honor to continue serving the City of Boulder in this capacity. I appreciate your time and your dedication to our community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. This would be my second term, as indicated above

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Stated above in #1

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Authority-Boulder Housing Partners

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 1997

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Name Michael Block

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution All Roads

Occupation / Major of Study CEO

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have served on the BHP Board for nearly 5 years. I have worked in the homeless service and affordable housing space, specifically for unhoused adults, for 18 years. That deep and broad experience includes: Direct to client services (Homeless Shelter Staff, Street Outreach, Housing Supportive Services, Benefits Acquisition), housing development, rental assistance/voucher programs, supportive service program design, development and management, property acquisition, property management, non-profit management, etc.

I have long standing relationships with and understanding of funding sources for affordable housing such as the City of Boulder, Boulder County, CO Div of Housing, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, HUD, etc.

My 18 years of experience has included training on cultural competence, trauma informed care, client centered approaches, impact of systemic failures, etc.

I have tried to approach the work of serving the homeless and my time on the BHP Board with an openness to learn from those suffering from marginalization and misfortune. It has been a privilege to better understand the challenges the marginalize face during my tenures at All Roads and BHP and a privilege to try and come to their aid.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have served on the BHP Board for nearly 5 years.

Through my homeless service work, I have worked alongside BHP to serve the community's most at risk unhoused individuals for 18 years. This includes the development and management of tenant based and project based rental assistance programs from a variety of funders (City of Boulder, CO DOH, HUD), property development and property management activities. This provides me with an intimate understanding of the organization, its strengths and its challenges.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

My primary role at BHP is to represent the needs of the community's most marginalized households. I serve as a reminder that activities can have un-intended consequences to those who are the least resourced. I attempt to bring a culture of pragmatism, effectiveness and reliance on data to decision making in an environment that is often defined by a scarcity of resources and requires hard decisions. My non-profit experience encourages me to focus on big picture issues with proven results and avoid distractions with marginal impacts. BHPs job is quite simple - rent affordability, develop and maintain durable assets, support residents, build community and increase resilience. I try to focus on the organizations ability to execute on those areas.

Date

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Housing Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #2 - Appoint member to unexpired 4 year term through 3/31/2030

Seat #3 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Seat #5 - Appoint member to unexpired 2 year term through 3/31/2028

Current Members:

2030 Cynthia Torres
 2029 Stephen Hennessy
 2029 Karin Hoskin
 2028 Karen Klerman
 2027 Philip Ogren
 2027 Lauren Schevets
 2026 Michael Leccese

Occupation:

Admin
 Attorney
 Business Manager
 Banker specializing in commercial real estate finance
 Software Engineer
 nonprofit executive director

Status:

Resigned 12/3/2025
 Occupied
 Occupied
 Resigned 12/5/2025
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 Occupied

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2016

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution CU Boulder/CIRES

Occupation / Major of Study Software Engineer

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Housing Advisory Board as I have a personal interest in housing policy and how it can be used to make cities more livable. I am also interested because of my personal experience with housing in Boulder as well as how it has affected people I know. My experience primarily comes from lived experience, as I have lived in a variety of housing types while in Boulder, first as a student in dorms, then a 5th floor apartment, a basement level ADU, and now a detached house.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not directly interacted with the Housing Advisory Board or the Housing & Human Services department outside of the boards and commissions open house earlier this month.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I want to work on ways to enable more options for housing throughout the city with a focus on both choice and affordability.

Date

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2024

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Contact Information

Name Brendan Selby

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Google

Occupation / Major of Study Attorney

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Housing Advisory Board to apply my background in complex regulatory policy, public interest law, and legislative drafting to one of Boulder's most critical challenges: ensuring accessible, safe, and sustainable housing. As a resident of Boulder and a legal professional with extensive experience in both the public and private sectors, I want to contribute to the rigorous analysis and stakeholder consensus required to shape effective housing policy for our community.

My qualifications for this position are rooted in a career spent navigating high-stakes regulatory environments and advocating for public welfare. Currently, as Corporate Counsel at Google in Boulder, I manage complex compliance initiatives and lead cross-functional stakeholder groups to develop company-wide policy. This role requires balancing competing interests and translating intricate regulations into practical operational guidance. Previously, while working at a litigation firm in Seattle, I drafted legislation enacted by the City of Puyallup to more humanely address homelessness, giving me firsthand insight into the legislative process and the nuances of municipal housing crises.

Prior to my time in the private sector, I spent most of my career in the public sector, serving as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Washington (Complex Litigation Division) and as a trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice Environment & Natural Resources Division. These roles provided me with direct experience in housing-related legal matters. As an environmental crimes prosecutor at the DOJ, I led a first-in-the-nation investigation into lead paint and toxic substance regulations, securing a guilty plea from a large real estate developer for safety violations. This experience underscored the vital importance of enforcing housing standards to protect vulnerable tenants.

Later, as an Assistant Attorney General, I successfully opposed challenges that threatened millions of dollars in tax revenue for public transit and defended state agencies in complex litigation affecting millions of residents. I also litigated to protect state tax revenue from diversion toward an unauthorized border wall and helped the state navigate challenging policy questions as counsel for the Governor in COVID-19 related litigation.

I have been interested in housing supply issues for several years. Prior to moving to Boulder, I lived for two years in San Francisco, where I was an active member of YIMBY Action and YIMBY Law. I am currently on the board of the Orchard Creek Homeowner's Association in Boulder.

I hold a J.D. cum laude from Harvard Law School and a B.A. from

Stanford University. After law school I clerked on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals - the nation's largest court of appeals - where I My combination of high-level policy strategy, legislative drafting experience, and a proven track record of protecting public interests positions me to be an effective and analytical member of the Housing Advisory Board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on the Housing Advisory Board. However, my professional background directly parallels the core services and oversight functions the Board provides.

I understand the Board's primary role is to advise the City Council on housing policy, recommend funding priorities (such as CDBG and Affordable Housing Funds), and assess the impact of city policies on affordability. While I have not sat on this specific body, I have performed these exact functions in other capacities:

Policy & Ordinance Development: The Board is tasked with recommending ordinances to address housing needs. As a private attorney, I drafted municipal legislation to address homelessness which was enacted by the City of Puyallup. This gave me direct experience in the granular work of translating housing goals into enforceable city code.

Oversight of Housing Standards: The Board monitors housing quality and safety. As a DOJ trial attorney, I led a major investigation into lead paint safety violations, enforcing federal housing standards to protect tenants, as well as a major investigation into mishandling of asbestos at a 400,000 facility in New York. I understand how to make housing safety regulations effective.

Fiscal Stewardship: The Board recommends how to allocate limited housing funds. My experience defending state tax revenues and managing complex compliance frameworks has prepared me to rigorously evaluate funding proposals and ensure public resources are deployed effectively.

Additionally, as a current board member of the Orchard Creek HOA, I am already serving in a governance role that requires managing community housing assets and building consensus among residents.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to translate my professional background in regulatory analysis and legislative drafting into concrete, actionable improvements for Boulder's housing ecosystem. My goal is to help the Board provide the City Council with recommendations that are not only aspirational but legally sound and operationally viable.

Specifically, I hope to achieve three outcomes:

1. Practical Solutions for Housing Supply & Affordability

I want to use my experience in complex regulatory frameworks to help the Board identify specific, code-level adjustments that reduce friction in the housing creation process. My objective is to support policies that encourage 'missing middle' and workforce housing, ensuring that Boulder remains accessible to the teachers, firefighters, and service workers who sustain our community. I believe we can make meaningful progress on affordability by focusing on data-driven updates to our zoning and approval processes.

2. Humane and Effective Approaches to Homelessness

Drawing on my direct experience drafting municipal legislation to address homelessness in Washington state, I hope to help the Board recommend policies that balance compassion with public safety and efficacy. I want to ensure that our strategies for the unhoused are grounded in what has been proven to work legally and practically in similar jurisdictions.

3. Rigorous, Consensus-Based Governance

Finally, I want to foster a culture of rigorous analysis. Whether we are discussing CDBG allocations or inclusionary housing requirements, I hope to ensure our recommendations are stress-tested and built on broad stakeholder consensus. My goal is to be a board member who listens to all sides of an issue and then applies a technical lens to find the most reasonable, sustainable path forward.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1988

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name Chris Evans

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Naropa University

Occupation / Major of Study Technical Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Housing has been a major concern in Boulder for a number of years now. I want to be involved in addressing this issue and make Boulder a more welcoming and affordable place to live.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

My grandparents and great-grandmother settled in Boulder. I hope to make Boulder a more affordable place to live in order to allow the community in Boulder to thrive.

Date

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Submission Time: December 16, 2025 1:54 pm
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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1994

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

Name David Garabed

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Home Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Deneuve Construction Services

Occupation / Major of Study Construction

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

After earning a B.S. degree in Architectural Engineering and an MBA from CU, I have spent my 27 year career in the construction industry. For the last 17 years, my company, Deneuve Construction, has specialized in building affordable housing in Boulder, and throughout Colorado. I am very familiar with the opportunities, constraints, policies, processes, regulations, and players in this industry. I think I have valuable knowledge and experience that could be an asset to this board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have been building affordable housing in Boulder and throughout Colorado since 2004, including 10 affordable housing projects in Boulder. These projects have all been affected by housing policy in Boulder. I also know multiple members of the Housing Advisory Board.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I think my background in construction will give the board a helpful, practical perspective on the challenges of entitling and building affordable housing in Boulder, and how that compares to other municipalities in Colorado.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2021

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Mobile Phone [REDACTED]

Work Phone [REDACTED]

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self employed

Occupation / Major of Study Cybersecurity Advisor

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

In my professional career, I have served my community in various capacities. I did serve on a 'full employment' board in the Kansas City metropolitan area, but more than this I like to get involved more actively. I served as a high school teacher for 2 years, was a medic and squad leader in the Kansas Army National Guard, and a small business owner. Now, as a parent, a crossing guard, and resident of Boulder, I want to get involved in meaningful work here. I view housing as a basic need, critical to someone trying to get a foothold in life...to the family trying to afford a house in the school district of their choice. When I was on the Kansas Workforce Partnership Board, I ran the selection process for a service provider, and I have years of experience vetting vendors/suppliers through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have had no prior experience with this Board or the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to do my part as a local citizen to help address the housing needs of our residents. If I can help bridge communities, be an ambassador, or simply help conduct research I would be honored.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 2018

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Zeal for living

Occupation / Major of Study Real estate

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I've worked in Housing all around the United States. I've seen many policies be effective and Money policies have unintended consequences.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would hope to get a better understanding of the needs and desires of the Boulder community

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 1979

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Mobile Phone ([REDACTED])

Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? Less than \$25,000 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have long been an affordable housing and tenant advocate in Boulder since the 1980s as a low-income resident. I currently serve as the Resident Commissioner on the Boulder Housing Partners Board of Commissioners. I also serve as vice chair of the Tenant Advisory Committee on EPRAS (Eviction Protection and Rental Assistance Services). As the Director of the Boulder Tenants Union in the 1980s, I helped start a legal petition to create a Housing Commission for the city of Boulder, which unfortunately did not happen at that point in time.

Overall , I have always had a strong interest in creating more affordable housing since moving to Boulder and using my voice and experience as a low income person to bring that perspective to policy decisions and conversations.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes, I have attended numerous HAB meetings - mostly online.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

As stated above, I hope to advocate on behalf of low income residents with the experience I have accumulated, and bring that perspective to the complex policy making environment in Boulder around housing in general.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2022

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Amazon Devices

Occupation / Major of Study Product Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Housing Advisory Board because I am passionate about housing affordability and ensuring that people like me, who grew up in Boulder, can continue to live and thrive in the community. As a long-term Boulder County resident, I have seen firsthand how rising housing costs affect families, individuals, and the overall health of our city. I want to contribute to strategies and policies that support a diverse, inclusive, and sustainable community.

I bring over 20 years of lived experience in Boulder, providing perspective on how housing, growth, and policy decisions have shaped neighborhoods over time. Professionally, I have experience in high-level product and project management, which has strengthened my ability to analyze complex information, weigh tradeoffs, and support thoughtful, practical decision-making.

I am eager to engage with community members, city staff, and fellow board members to help advance housing policies that reflect community needs, maintain affordability, and support Boulder's long-term vitality.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. I have personal experience with the services this Board oversees through my home, which I occasionally rent on a short-term basis via Airbnb. This has given me direct insight into how short-term rental policies impact property owners, neighbors, and the broader housing market in Boulder, and has shaped my understanding of the balance needed between housing affordability, community needs, and responsible property use.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to represent the voices of the community-particularly the younger community that has struggled to afford buying property in Boulder-by ensuring their perspectives are thoughtfully considered in board discussions and recommendations. Through this service, I also hope to deepen my involvement in public service and gain a better understanding of city planning and decision-making as it relates to housing, which is one of the most critical topics residents of Boulder care about.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

Thistle Community Housing

Occupation / Major of Study

Planning, Development, and Admin Coordinator

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 18 to 24

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Housing Advisory Board because I am passionate about making Boulder into a place where everyone who works in Boulder can afford to live here, so that we have a complete community as well as to reduce car dependency. I would also love to see more walkable neighborhoods with great urban design that encourage healthy lifestyles and community. I just graduated from CU Boulder with an undergraduate degree in Environmental Design with an emphasis in Sustainable Planning and Urban Design and a minor in Business. My specific interest within my degree was housing and creating urban spaces that foster community. Before starting my degree, I took a gap year and worked in Portland OR for housing justice for the unhoused community there. I spent 1/2 my time volunteering in construction work to build tiny homes for unhoused people and the other 1/2 my time I worked for a grassroots newspaper that advocated for housing justice.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had any experience with the Housing Board yet.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to encourage creativity and open-mindedness about the types of housing that can exist in Boulder.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2017

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Former United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Occupation / Major of Study Foreign Service Officer / Program Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I grew up in Boulder, graduated from the University of Colorado, earned a masters degree in International Policy Studies from Middlebury Institute of International Studies and am thrilled to have the time and experience to contribute to my home town's housing strategies, goals, and policies. Having grown up in Boulder I've seen the dramatic growth and evolution of the city and it remains a wonderful place to live. However, something that needs to be addressed if Boulder is to remain a vibrant, inclusive community with a diverse and thriving population is ensuring that there are affordable places to live for people of all backgrounds and socioeconomic status. Growing up in Boulder, the people you met working at the grocery store, coffee shop, or at a restaurant more often than not lived in the neighborhood or across town. Gradually over the years as property values have risen, more and more people working or going to school in Boulder have had to go farther and farther a field to find affordable housing. Boulder has made progress in supporting more affordable housing for low- and middle-income residents. I have the experience and background to support and contribute to the Housing Advisory Board's evaluation of new affordable housing proposals, strategies, policies and evaluating the effectiveness of existing approaches to meet community needs.

I don't claim to be an expert on affordable housing, what I can offer is a wealth of experience from a career dedicated to public service and support for low-income and disadvantaged populations around the world working 12 years for non-governmental organizations and 15 years at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) until it was dismantled by the current administration in 2025. Most recently working at USAID I managed activities to support housing for populations displaced by conflict and natural disasters in Ukraine, Gaza, South Sudan, and Mozambique. I supported US Government funded activities in Ukraine focused on winterizing homes for populations impacted by the conflict. I managed grantees rehabilitating and winterizing homes, ensuring activities were based on sound community engagement responding to community needs, maximized impact and conformed to government policies and regulations. In Gaza and other countries I focused on supporting housing, water, sanitation, hygiene, health, and livelihoods for displaced populations. Working on these activities, I contributed to solutions to complex challenges ensuring community engagement, equitable access to resources and services ensuring strong feedback mechanisms, monitoring and evaluation.

In addition, working for NGOs and USAID, I have led efforts to improve incomes, increase innovation and to develop strategic public private sector partnerships to maximize outcomes for

targeted populations.

With my experience working for USAID and non-governmental organizations I bring to the Housing Advisory Board deep expertise in grants management, compliance, financial stewardship, and cross-sector collaboration, with a proven record overseeing government resources, working with multidisciplinary teams across government, nonprofit, and community settings. I am known for building strong partnerships with local organizations, community partners, finance teams, and government stakeholders to ensure accountability, transparency, and measurable impact. These are experiences and skills I can draw on to support and contribute to the Housing Advisory Board's work to expand and improve affordable housing for low- and middle-income individuals and families in Boulder with community-centered values to advance equitable outcomes.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Other than following affordable housing efforts in Boulder over the years, I have not directly worked for the Housing Advisory board or the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

With my background growing up in Boulder and having returned to the city ten years ago, I have a deep knowledge of the city, the neighborhoods, residents, and businesses that I could draw on when reviewing affordable housing goals, ordinances, and funding priorities.

My professional experience has taught me that there are rarely simple solutions to complex challenges such as expanding affordable housing in Boulder. I would like to support the Housing Advisory Board evaluate progress meeting community affordable housing needs and cost effectiveness of city funding and investments. I would also support the Advisory Board to continue to recommend incorporation of a wide range of innovative affordable housing options throughout Boulder neighborhoods to the degree that they meet community needs, are sustainable, cost effective, and replicable including integrated affordable units in residential developments, purpose built units, ADUs, down payment support, modular construction, micro-apartments or condominiums, adaptive reuse, and more. I would be interested in researching innovative affordable housing approaches around the country and around the world that could be utilized in Boulder to meet community needs and meet or surpass city goals. Of course I am available to support the wide variety of Housing Advisory Board needs as they arise throughout the year.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Housing Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2009

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Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado Boulder

Occupation / Major of Study Director, SPIKE Center for Sustainability

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the housing board to progress the cause of affordable housing in our city and our region (I mentioned the latter as housing in Boulder impacts the adjacent markets and vice versa). The excessive pricing of housing in our city and beyond is a grave matter of economic injustice, severely curtailing opportunity for the younger and the less affluent. In addition housing and its patterns of development are important issues for the climate, and, given the strain of economic mobility caused by the cost of housing, it is even a vital political issue.

I have been a local political activist on the topic of housing, volunteering on local election campaigns and serving on the board of Better Boulder. I also work in the field of sustainability in my job at the SPIKE Center for Sustainability at CU Boulder, where sustainable housing is among the topics we address. I have experience on governing boards, having served on the Board of Directors of Kapost, a local digital marketing startup. I founded the company, served as CEO, and led the company to a successful sale, serving on the Board for the full 10 years of the company's existence.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have never interacted directly with the Housing Advisory Board. Nevertheless I have interacted with the city's housing services in various ways having been a homeowner in Boulder for more than 15 years.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would hope to contribute to significant improvement in housing affordability in Boulder. I would hope to do so both through internally and externally oriented service on the board.

In terms of internal service, the Board's function is to provide thoughtful research, review, and interaction with board meeting attendees in order to provide insight to the city government and council. In this function I would hope to utilize my housing activism, Board service experience, and sustainability background towards becoming a productive HAB member that helps the board produce value support for the city government and council around housing.

Externally, the issue of housing could benefit from engaging a much larger portion of our community than the relatively few who actively engage today. I believe that my marketing and digital experience could be helpful in reaching out to the community about HAB and housing with the intention of generating more participation and input. In particular the voices of the young and of renters need more amplification in our housing dialog, and my digital marketing background and connections with CU Boulder could assist in this goal. Additionally, these outreach skills could be helpful in building connections with other entities beyond our city, such as state and (other) local governments.

In addition to engaging the community around core housing affordability issues, there is an opportunity to better connect with our neighbors around how patterns of housing and development impact upon our quality of life. In particular the recent work from the city around 15 minute neighborhoods provides a superb opportunity to effect social connection, walkability and health. I would also hope to utilize my marketing and communication capabilities to better connect and engage with the community around such issues at the nexus of housing and quality of life.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Human Relations Commission

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Jorge Martinez
2029 Aaron Neyer
2028 Mindy Miller
2027 Carlos Valdez
2026 Emily Loker

Occupation:

Executive Director

Produce Assistant Manager
Equity and Environmental Justice Coordinator

Status:

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Demographic Information

Gender

Woman | Woman

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Human Relations Commission because I am an educator who believes deeply in the dignity and belonging of all people. I am motivated by creating communities where people feel seen, represented, and supported. Creativity is central to how I approach this work, not as an add on, but as a way to imagine more inclusive and enriching experiences for how people live, connect, and engage with their city.

Equity, diversity, community, and joy guide my work, and I am eager to contribute my perspective while also learning from others. I value collaborative decision making that centers lived experience, and I am committed to applying what I hear to help shape policies and practices that reflect the voices of the people they impact.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No, but I am an educator and was part of the 15-minute neighborhoods assembly. This is what motivated me to be more civically engaged.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to help foster a welcoming and inclusive community where everyone feels a sense of belonging. By listening to and learning from people with diverse lived experiences, I want to contribute to a more vibrant, equitable, and representative Boulder. I am especially interested in creating opportunities that bring people together through education, culture, and community based experiences that are engaging, accessible, and joyful.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2024

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Contact Information

Name Angela Holman

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Bitfocus

Occupation / Major of Study Homeless Management Information System

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have a Master's in Social Work focused on Social and Economic Development Policy and many years of experience working with public and non-profit entities to improve public engagement, awareness, and process. My day job includes working with jurisdictions throughout the country around homelessness data. One of the things I love about my job is that I get to help public agencies find consensus and keep complicated decisions moving forward. Prior to this role I ran a local non-profit and consulted on housing advocacy. I was often focused on community engagement and dialogue, trying to bring community members together, often with very different viewpoints, and find solutions to problems. Sometimes all we found was a sliver of common ground but that can be enough to get "unstuck". One of the things I am quite proud of is the work I've done around Safe Parking. California has several models for effective Safe Parking programs and in the community I lived in we had a very robust community engagement component. In one circumstance neighbors opposed the site for Safe Parking - largely because of their own fears. I worked with the local police department and with those residents to improve understanding around homelessness, housing insecurity, and crime in order to come to a solution that allowed the project to move forward - and made the neighbors more comfortable. I attribute much of my success in advocacy to the conflict resolution and mediation training I've done throughout my career.

In addition to my professional background, I've been able to have my foot in many worlds throughout my life. I grew up with a single Mom of three in South Florida. My father vacillated between living in places not meant for housing and incarceration. I know what it's like to survive on food stamps and housing insecurity. I also know what it's like to raise my own family in the privileged, upper middle-class life I have now. I think the ability to understand and empathize with diverse backgrounds lends itself to the mission of the Human Relations Commission and would help make me an effective board member.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

This year I was able to serve on the Human Services Fund Advisory Committee (HSFAC) and learn more about Boulder's processes, priorities, and the organizations helping to move those priorities forward. I also came to the commissions open house night and was able to meet some of the current members of this board.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission? I would like to meaningfully contribute to my new community and this board aligns well with the skills and expertise I can bring.

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Imagine! And Naropa University

Occupation / Major of Study Residential counselor/ M.A in CMHC

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Hispanic or Latinx

How would you describe your annual household income? Less than \$25,000 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on this board/commission because I am deeply committed to community-centered, equity-driven decision-making. As a first-generation Afro-Indigenous Dominican woman, my lived experience navigating inequitable systems informs my desire to ensure that policies reflect the needs of those most impacted.

I am currently pursuing a Master's degree in Nature-Based Clinical Mental Health Counseling and hold leadership roles as a Student Diversity Officer and Student Liaison, where I contribute to institutional decision-making, policy advocacy, and cross-stakeholder collaboration. I also have experience organizing community initiatives, managing programs and budgets, and working directly with BIPOC and underserved communities.

My background in trauma-informed care, community organizing, and collaborative leadership equips me to be a thoughtful, accountable, and effective board member who centers equity, lived experience, and long-term community wellbeing.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not served directly on this Board; however, I have engaged with and been impacted by similar services through my work in community organizing, student leadership, and advocacy. These experiences have given me insight into how board decisions affect access, equity, and community wellbeing, and they motivate my interest in contributing more directly to this work.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to contribute to equitable, community-informed decision-making that improves access, accountability, and outcomes for those most impacted by the board's work. I aim to uplift community voices, apply a trauma-informed and culturally responsive lens, and support policies that promote long-term wellbeing and sustainability.

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Submission Time: January 21, 2026 1:58 pm
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2024

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Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Congruex

Occupation / Major of Study Vice President, Communications & Branding

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the board to apply my skills and experience in a way that adds value to the people and progress of our community. I have 15 years of experience in human resources, strategic communications, marketing, and successfully navigating corporate politics within a private digital infrastructure company, headquartered here in Boulder with nearly 4,000 employees across the U.S. and India. My expertise is understanding and simplifying large volumes of complex information into digestible, effective multi-media communications that are effective with different audience segments. I also have a psychology and social background from my studies and research during my undergraduate degree, and recent volunteer work with the local Rocky Mountain Equality (RMEQ) organization as a proud ally to the LGBTQ+ community. I believe my passion for social equality/people blended with my keen business acumen and support of small business growth is a well balanced fit.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No, not yet.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to learn more about how our local government works, learn from experienced board members, and use my skills to help achieve whatever our team's priorities are.

Date

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution The Ohio State University

Occupation / Major of Study Masters in Public Administration & Leadership

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Human Relations Commission because I am deeply committed to fostering a community where all residents are treated with dignity, fairness, and respect, and where differences are engaged with care, curiosity, and accountability. Boulder is a city that values inclusion, yet like many communities, it continues to grapple with inequities and tensions across lines of identity, power, and access. I am motivated to serve on this Commission to help strengthen trust, support equitable outcomes, and ensure that our human rights protections are both meaningful and accessible in practice.

I bring a combination of lived experience, civic leadership, and professional training aligned with the Commission's mission. I recently ran for Boulder City Council, which demonstrated and deepened my understanding of our municipal governance, public processes, and the responsibility of serving as a community representative. Through that work and broader community engagement, I listened to residents' concerns related to housing, safety, discrimination, and belonging, and worked to bridge differing perspectives with empathy and respect.

I hold a Master's degree in Public Administration and Leadership, with training in public sector ethics, governance, policy analysis, and equitable decision-making. This education supports my ability to evaluate evidence, understand procedural requirements, and balance fairness, accountability, and due process in a commission with advisory and quasi-judicial responsibilities.

I bring strong skills and training in non-violent communication, active listening, facilitation, ethical reasoning, and consensus-building, all of which are essential for effective service on a commission that both advises the City and helps uphold Boulder's Human Rights Ordinance. I take seriously the quasi-judicial responsibilities of this role and understand the importance of impartiality, confidentiality, and procedural fairness when reviewing sensitive matters.

I would be honored for the opportunity to share my skills and experience in service to my community through the Human Relations Commission and support the Commission's work to help cultivate a city where human rights are protected, differences are respected, and every resident feels they belong.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on the Human Relations Commission, nor have I been directly involved in a formal complaint process overseen by the Board. However, I am familiar with the Commission's role in upholding Boulder's Human Rights Ordinance and in fostering dialogue, education, and mutual understanding across the community.

Through my broader civic engagement, community organizing, and recent City Council campaign, I have encountered many of the issues that fall within the Commission's scope, including concerns related to housing access, discrimination, community safety, and inclusion. I have spoken with residents who have experienced barriers or felt marginalized and have seen firsthand how critical it is for community members to have access to fair, transparent, and trusted processes when addressing human rights concerns.

Additionally, my work in community education and public-facing roles has required collaboration with City programs and an understanding of how advisory boards function within municipal government. While my experience with the Human Relations Commission itself has been indirect, it has strengthened my appreciation for the importance of the Commission's work and my interest in contributing to it in a thoughtful, ethical, and service-oriented way.

I am eager to deepen my understanding of the Commission's procedures and responsibilities and to approach this role with care and a commitment to protecting the rights and dignity of all Boulder residents.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the Human Relations Commission, I hope to contribute to a city where human rights protections are not only upheld in policy, but felt in practice by all residents. My primary goal would be to help strengthen trust and relationships between community members and the City by ensuring that the Commission's work is fair, accessible, transparent, and responsive to the lived realities of people in Boulder.

I hope to support the Commission's quasi-judicial responsibilities by approaching each matter with care, impartiality, and respect for due process, recognizing that these cases often involve deeply personal and sensitive experiences. I aim to be a thoughtful listener and decision-maker who weighs evidence carefully while keeping the broader purpose of the Human Rights Ordinance at the forefront.

Beyond casework, I would like to contribute to the Commission's educational and community-building role. This includes helping identify opportunities for public education, dialogue, and outreach that increase awareness of human rights protections and foster mutual understanding across differences. I am particularly interested in supporting efforts that make information more accessible and approachable, especially for community members who may be unfamiliar with City processes or hesitant to engage due to past experiences.

I also hope to help the Commission surface patterns or systemic issues that emerge through its work and provide constructive, informed recommendations to City Council and staff when appropriate. Drawing on my experience in community engagement and systems thinking, I would aim to support solutions that are preventative, restorative, and oriented toward long-term community well-being.

Ultimately, I hope my service would help strengthen the Commission as a trusted, ethical, and compassionate body, one that upholds Boulder's values while continuously working to ensure that all residents feel seen, protected, and respected.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 2001

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 18 to 24

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Other: Living with parents

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

When I was in college at CU Boulder, for 3 years I participated in a program that would change my life. The program was called Public Achievement, and during my time in the program, we went to a local Boulder high school (Centaurus High School) and worked with the students over the course of a school year to create community action projects to improve their community. The projects that I was a part of promoted mental health awareness, and I got to learn from the high schoolers I worked with about their experiences navigating mental health challenges and what could be done to help. But more importantly, I learned how to listen deeply to others' stories, and how to work with others to create positive change in the community, together.

In addition to Public Achievement, also during my time at CU Boulder, I had an internship with the Youth Advisory Panel with the City of Westminster. The Youth Advisory Panel is a group of teens that meets with local leaders and boards to learn about and advise them on issues impacting Westminster. I was in charge of communication with the partners the Youth Advisory Panel met with and assisting with meetings. This experience both allowed me to learn how city advisory boards function and to hear what issues were most greatly impacting these teens in Westminster.

But I don't live in Westminster; I live in Boulder. And having been born and raised in Boulder, as well as having gone to college here, Boulder is the city I know and love the most. From still having connections with college professors, to volunteer coaching a softball team with elementary schoolers, to having friends my own age (early-mid 20s), to visiting my grandma in her retirement home in Boulder, I have connections here that span all walks of life. All of these relationships are what make Boulder feel like a home and not just a location I happen to live in.

Additionally, I love talking to and getting to know people. For example, this past fall, I worked with Boulder County and helped conduct a 5 year study about how to improve parks and open space, and I surveyed over 100 different people about their thoughts. I loved getting to talk with people and learn their thoughts on how to improve our open space. And I would love getting to talk with people from all walks of life to learn their stories, and how we can use their lived experiences to work with community members to make Boulder the best place to live that it can be.

I would love to serve on the Human Relations Commission to give back to the community that has given me so much over the course of all of the years I've lived in Boulder. Now more than ever, I feel it is so important to listen to the stories of others, and work with the community to build a deeper capacity for collective

change by sharing these stories; something I could do by serving on the Commission. Having grown up in Boulder and having been a part of programs working to create change, I can use my connections and skillsets to promote more understanding and education of diverse perspectives in Boulder. Also, as someone who is in their early/mid 20s, I would love to give a voice to some younger perspectives in Boulder, whether that's through sharing the stories of college students or those of the elementary schoolers I coach on my softball team.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I have not had any direct experiences with this Board, I was able to learn about Boards in general through connecting with some during my time as an intern with the Youth Advisory Panel with the City of Westminster.

I would be honored to have the opportunity to learn more about this Board and the services it oversees at a deep level as a member.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to do 2 main things by serving on this commission. 1. Being a young person, and having connections with other young people, I would love to bring a younger perspective to the Commission. I would do this by connecting not only with other people in their 20s, but with school age children and college students as well, as all young people deserve to have their voices represented and life experiences shared. 2. Having lived in Boulder my whole life, I will leverage the connections I have with the people who live here and are from all walks of life, and I will use these connections to make sure as many different stories and life experiences as possible are celebrated and used to educate/improve the lives of others.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Human Relations Commission

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2023

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Occupation / Major of Study Technician / MBA

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Human Relations Board because I believe that strong communities are built when social needs are identified thoughtfully and addressed with dignity, empathy, and practical solutions. As someone who immigrated to the United States nearly three years ago and intentionally chose Boulder as my home, I have firsthand experience with how inclusive, community-centered approaches can make a meaningful difference.

I am married, have one child, and care for my elderly parents in the United States. These life responsibilities have deepened my understanding of the diverse and often overlapping needs of families, immigrants, and older adults. Despite the high cost of living in Boulder, I am proud to live within the city and actively contribute to its social fabric.

One of the clearest examples shaping my perspective is the Intercambio model. While Intercambio addresses a very specific need-language learning for immigrants in Boulder-its impact goes far beyond education. It demonstrates how a community can respond to a real need with respect, cultural awareness, and human connection. Through this model, immigrants are not treated merely as service recipients, but as active members of the community, engaging in cultural exchange and mutual learning. The commitment of educators and staff, many of whom generously volunteer their time and energy, reflects a values-based approach that prioritizes inclusion and human dignity over transactional solutions.

Because of this, my approach to social, civic, and human relations issues is strongly influenced by the Intercambio philosophy: identifying real community needs, responding with empathy and collaboration, and building systems that foster belonging rather than division.

Professionally, I hold two master's degrees in Economics and Management and have experience across marketing and sales, information technology, commerce, human resources, executive leadership, insurance, and construction. This diverse background enables me to work effectively in team environments, analyze complex social and organizational challenges, and contribute to balanced, solution-oriented discussions.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

While I have not previously served on the Human Relations Board, I have direct experience with the types of issues the board addresses through my engagement with community organizations and city services. As an immigrant and long-term Boulder resident, I have seen how policies and programs related to equity, inclusion, and access affect individuals and families.

Observing and participating in models like Intercambio has strengthened my understanding of how intentional, culturally responsive approaches can address community needs effectively. These experiences have informed how I think about fairness, access, and the role of local institutions in fostering healthy human relations.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to support policies and recommendations that reflect a deep understanding of community needs and promote inclusive, respectful solutions. I would bring a perspective grounded in lived experience, professional expertise, and a values-based approach inspired by models like Intercambio.

My goal is to help the board advance initiatives that strengthen trust, reduce barriers, and encourage collaboration across cultural and social differences. Ultimately, I hope my service contributes to making Boulder a city where all residents feel seen, respected, and empowered to participate fully in community life.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Landmarks Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Michael Ray
2029 renee golobic
2028 John Decker
2027 Chelsea Castellano
2026 Abby Daniels

Occupation:

architect
Architect
Sustainability Program Manager
Former non-profit Director

Status:

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Landmarks Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 1991

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Occupation / Major of Study Transportation Planner

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a member of the Landmarks Board, I would bring a passion for local history, experience in historic preservation, and a strong background in local government affairs.

Professionally, I work as a transportation planner and am involved in civic matters on a day-to-day basis. In my personal time, I love reading, especially about history. Having grown up in a 1906 farmhouse in Boulder, I've had a long-time appreciation for historic buildings in our community. I enjoy learning more about our community's history, reading at the Carnegie Library, and attending Historic Boulder lectures and events, including historic home tours.

Historic preservation is what first attracted me to civic engagement. When I lived in Houston, Texas, I had a strong interest in preserving the historic Astrodome stadium. I led a project that raised hundreds of thousands of dollars in public and private funding to showcase the building's architectural significance while exploring future uses. During the project, I partnered with the National Trust for Historic Preservation and local historic preservation advocates, who later formed the Astrodome Conservancy non-profit. Our efforts led to the Astrodome receiving State Antiquities Landmark status.

More recently, I completed a five-year term on Boulder's Transportation Advisory Board, during which I identified opportunities for more efficient planning and spending, and was the architect of the city's Core Arterial Network (CAN) strategic plan.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have never had personal matters before the Landmarks Board as a property owner applicant or engaged with the City of Boulder about Historic Preservation services.

In preparation for this application, I have familiarized myself with the existing inventory of 200+ individual landmarks and the 10 historic districts in Boulder. I have reviewed the process for property owner applicants as they engage with the city on historic preservation, including the criteria for review in the Boulder Revised Code. To understand the broader vision for preservation in Boulder, I have read the Boulder Historic Preservation Plan (2013)/Plan Update (2019). Finally, to familiarize myself with ongoing matters before the board, I have reviewed recent meeting packets.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I would first ensure I further understand the historic preservation criteria. I would listen and ask questions to city staff and board colleagues so that I am an informed and objective member.

The city will soon update the Boulder Historic Preservation Plan, which is an exciting opportunity for Landmarks Board members to help elevate our visionary plan to meet the latest historic preservation best practices and community needs.

My primary focus would be on the matters immediately before the board, but I would also be mindful of opportunities to improve processes in a manner that would benefit both property owner applicants and city staff.

Similarly, I would be mindful of how the business before the Landmarks Board relates to and can be in support of broader community plans and goals, including the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan, housing and transportation goals, climate initiatives, and wildfire resiliency.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Landmarks Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 2000

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Occupation / Major of Study Architect/Architecture

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Other:

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My desire to serve on the Landmarks Board stems from a long-standing commitment to maintaining the character and historic fabric of Boulder. I view preservation not as a hindrance to progress, but as a vital solution that aligns with the City Council's broader objectives. By supporting the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of historic places, we catalyze community growth and ensure that redevelopment dollars remain within our local economy.

Having lived in Boulder through periods of significant change, I have observed the delicate, curated, blend of old and new. As our city evolves, it is critically important to ensure that our historic districts develop responsibly without losing the architectural elements that define them. I believe in a preservation philosophy that avoids creating the false sense of history while protecting the unique character and attributes that make Boulder's historic districts a destination.

As a practicing architect, I offer a technical framework that is essential for effective board service. I possess the professional discipline to differentiate between historic merit, building code requirements, and personal design aesthetic. This distinction is vital in allowing me to apply the Historic Preservation Code objectively rather than through the lens of subjective taste or the building department. My goal is to ensure that rehabilitation, reuse, and redevelopment within historic districts are harmonious with the whole, respecting the unique circumstances of each parcel.

Having lived abroad and across the United States, I have developed a deep appreciation for how communities define regional culture and a sense of place. I find the dance between the Landmarks Board and property owners to be one of the most productive aspects of local government. I am drawn to the open discourse that occurs when the board and an applicant collaborate. It is my personal experience and from others that, almost invariably, this scrutiny results in a better project for both the owner and the community at large.

While the City of Boulder sits at a critical threshold this year, the mission of the Landmarks Board has never been more relevant. I am prepared and excited to dedicate my time to the thorough review of projects, applying the historic code with a balanced interpretation and a discerning eye. I would be honored to assist in shaping the framework for Boulder's future development while honoring the rich history that precedes us.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Working closely with Historic Preservation staff to ensure that contemporary design needs align with the Historic Preservation Code. I have the unique ability to interpret a client's contemporary vision into a design that respects the historic context of districts like Mapleton Hill, Whittier, or Chautauqua. I have experience interpreting and understanding the General Design Guidelines and specific District Guidelines set forth by the City of Boulder. I am well-versed in evaluating things like massing, scale, and specific materiality to ensure that rehabilitation, reuse, and redevelopment are conducted in a way that preserves the essence of historic neighborhoods and doesn't intentionally detract from others' experiences.

Acting as a bridge and liaison between the Landmarks Board and Clients, I have been in the position of explaining to the property owner why a certain design choice might not meet the standards of the Board, and then using my skills and interpretation to find a harmonious and agreed-upon middle ground. As demonstrated in my work with the Landmarks Board, I believe I have the specific temperament needed for a Landmarks Board seat; I am patient, a thorough listener, a sensitive designer, and a collaborative facilitator.

Additionally, after my last presentation to the Landmarks Board, I was asked by staff (Marcy Gerwing) if I was interested in applying for the available position on the 2026 Board. I truly appreciate the opportunity to serve the City of Boulder.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Having spent the majority of my life in Boulder and raising my child here, I feel a deep sense of gratitude toward this community. Now that she is grown, I find myself at a natural inflection point where I have both the available time and the desire to give back to the city that has shaped my life. I feel called to serve in my full capacity.

Simply put, my initial objectives on the Landmarks Board are:

- I want to utilize my professional background as an architect to bridge the gap between property owners and the City process. My goal is to facilitate a process, with current guidelines, where applicants feel heard and supported, resulting in projects that honor the Historic Preservation Code while meeting modern needs.

- I hope to help Boulder's Landmarks Board navigate the current major update to the local comprehensive plan, BVCP, supporting the goals of City Council, by ensuring our historic districts remain vibrant and economically viable. And, lastly, I want to prove that preservation is a catalyst for responsible redevelopment, not a barrier to it.

- Having witnessed decades of change, I am committed to protecting the feel of the historic places of our City while allowing properties to be refurbished and rehabilitated in the most responsible and accurate manner. I want to ensure that the stories told by our architecture and built environment are preserved for the next generations of Boulder residents and visitors.

Ultimately, I hope to leave the board having strengthened the framework for future development. I hope to ensure that as Boulder grows, it retains the one-of-a-kind soul and nationally recognized character that makes us all proud to call it home.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Landmarks Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Amazon

Occupation / Major of Study Product Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board because I value Boulder's unique character and the important role historic landmarks play in shaping the city's culture and sense of place. I have lived in Boulder for over 20 years and have seen how thoughtful preservation strengthens neighborhoods and maintains a meaningful connection to the city's history as Boulder continues to grow and change.

I have also lived in historic towns in Virginia, Germany, and the United Kingdom, which has given me a broader perspective on how preservation can enhance a city's identity, livability, and community pride. In these places, historic buildings were treated as assets that contributed to vibrant, walkable communities and long-term sustainability. These experiences have shaped my understanding of how preservation can support both cultural continuity and responsible development.

I am eager to become more involved in my community and to contribute to public service. I bring a respectful, open-minded approach and a genuine appreciation for the value of historic landmarks, and I would be committed to serving as a thoughtful and engaged community representative on the board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had any experiences with this board in Boulder. When I was living in Fredericksburg, Virginia, I owned a home downtown that was built in 1886. I worked with the Landmark board there to build a porch fence for my home. Through that experience, I learned the importance of having committees and boards that preserve historical landmarks

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to gain a deeper understanding of how the City of Boulder evaluates and designates historic landmarks, while becoming more connected to the community through meaningful public service. I also hope to contribute to maintaining a high standard for the preservation of Boulder's historic landmarks, ensuring they continue to reflect the city's cultural heritage and character for future generations.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Open Space Board of Trustees

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Harmon Zuckerman
2029 Sarah Glynn
2028 Brady Robinson
2027 Jon Carroll
2026 Michelle Estrella

Occupation:

Attorney
Founder and CEO
Director of Philanthropy
CTO
CFO

Status:

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution DaVita

Occupation / Major of Study Business strategy

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Boulder's open space makes it one of the most special places to live. I actively use our open spaces almost every day--hiking, biking and walking with my family. My background is in business strategy and I'm motivated to serve on the board to give back to the community and support long range planning and decision making. I am a consultant by background (strategy consulting at BCG), studied policy and business at the graduate level (MBA/MPA) and prior to my current job, led a strategy team for New York City's economic development corporation where I worked on public private partnerships. I currently lead a strategy team at DaVita, a healthcare company based in Colorado. I serve on the board of a private company, Mozarc, that makes healthcare devices and on the board of Trustees for Jarrow Montessori, a school in North Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have no experience directly, but have read past minutes and feel confident I can participate actively.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I'm interested in supporting strategic planning efforts to maintain a long term vision of the impact of open space in Boulder--particularly as the city balances the complexities of increasing weather events (wind, fire, flood), increased open space usage and budget challenges. I want to make sure that we continue to protect and invest in our open space so that future generations will benefit.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve as a member of Boulder's Open Space Board of Trustees, because I see it as an especially good way for me to give back in a meaningful way to the Boulder community and serve careful oversight and management of one of its crown jewels. Boulder has been our beloved home for almost 15 years. I have followed Boulder's government and its functions since we moved here in 2011; it has provided a fascinating and compelling look at this uniquely vibrant American community from afar. Now, I want to get involved more deeply in one particular aspect. It is a one-of-a-kind community I have grown to love, including its spectacular physical and social virtues as well as its special and delightful quirks. Specifically, I want to use my education (UPenn, The Wharton School, Harvard Business School) and long, deep and broad professional experience as a senior media and entertainment executive (CEO, COO, GM for several leading media organizations) and high-level management consultant (co-founder of Quantum Media, one of Forbes' "Top Management Consulting Firms") to make a deeper contribution, as an insider in one of the most outstanding aspects of what makes Boulder tick.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct hands-on experience in the area of open space stewardship,, but I have decades of relevant experience, and success in the for-profit sector, managing adjacent areas such as asset management, business development, economic incentives, business vitality, partnership marketing initiatives and strategic planning -- across a variety of industries and markets. In addition, I think my leadership experience on both for-profit and non-profit Boards is relevant and valuable. (For example, leadership board memberships on the Harvard Business School Club, The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Hardware.com, University of Pennsylvania (multiple boards and committees), Boulder High School PA President, The Dalton School Trustees (K-12, NYC) and Congregation Rodeph Sholom (NYC), among others.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to make a thoughtful, significant, measurable, permanent impact on Boulder's stewardship of its crown jewel, its open space assets and signature achievement.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 2013

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Occupation / Major of Study Shift Leader/Ecology

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Open Space Board of Trustees because I am passionate about the natural resources field. I hope to impact decision making and conserve the city's open space, so future generations may benefit from our wildlife, land, and natural areas. I have relevant experience including a Bachelor's in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, as well as work experience in local government. I have worked locally as a Wildlife Technician and as a Lead Open Space and Trails Technician.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct experience with this board or the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

My hope would be to improve land management plans, conserve our natural areas, and expand the city's open space areas. Specifically, I would like the opportunity to provide research, and sound decision making on open space issues, and I feel as though my background and lived experience would provide a fresh outlook on open space issues.

One issue I think is important to address would be long term sustainability and wildfire preparedness. I think forest thinning and prescribed burning may be essential to support the long-term forest health of the Chatauqua corridor.

I would also like to expand my experience in the natural resource field, and I think serving on the board would be a great opportunity to help me build upon my experience and career in the natural resource field.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 1971

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Occupation / Major of Study Biology/Ecology

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in Boulder County and City of Boulder most of my life, so for 60+ years, and have seen the open Space program expand under Jim Crain who I knew and worked with on many occasions. I have been an open space advocate and user my entire life. As a professional scientist I work around the world on complex ecological problems and have focused my work on natural areas, particularly national parks. I have trained more than 50 PhD and MS students, some of whom have worked for this Open Space Department. I have taught classes on land management and especially restoration ecology, and my expertise is in wetland and riparian ecology. I feel I could be an effective representative of homeowners who live adjacent or near Open Space land, and users of Open Space. I have served on many boards and commissions for the Federal government, and served a term on the City of Boulder Parks Board in the 1980s when the Boulder Creek trail was being developed and other big projects occurred.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I did many research and consulting projects with Jim Crain and other Open Space staff for many years in the 1980s and 90s and have testified at a few Open Space meetings and met with the current director and staff on issues about Open Space in south Boulder. I fully understand the road of boards and commissions to advise the director and staff and provide guidance to City Council. As mentioned above I served a full term on the Parks Board and learned a lot about how such boards work with the director, staff and council.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

There are many exciting and important issues to address for this board. Among them are the huge trail use numbers and how users get to the trails and the condition of trails. Another emerging topic is the use of mountain bikes on trails particularly in south Boulder, that will require considerable thought and action. I'm particularly concerned about wildfire on the urban interface with Open Space land, and have observed current staff actions to thin trees and use livestock to reduce forage. Fencing is another topic worthy of discussion where the fences back up to private homes. Open space should be available to use by all, and increasing access in ways other than private cars could be an important discussion topic.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1985

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Occupation / Major of Study Chemist / Chemistry

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a Boulder native who grew up on our trails and in our parks, I have a lifelong connection to the outdoor spaces that define our community. Running cross country and track at Fairview High School-and later coaching there after graduating from the University of Colorado-gave me firsthand experience with how Boulder's parks and trail system support recreation, youth development, and community well-being.

In addition to this lived experience, I bring a strong scientific background rooted in chemistry, which shapes how I approach environmental stewardship and public decision-making. My training has equipped me to evaluate data critically, understand environmental and ecological impacts, and consider tradeoffs related to land management, water quality, soil health, and long-term sustainability. I am comfortable reviewing technical materials and applying evidence-based thinking to complex challenges, skills that are increasingly important as Boulder balances recreation, conservation, and climate resilience.

I have also watched Boulder's trail system evolve over time, particularly following the 2013 flood, which gave me insight into how science, planning, and community values intersect in real-world recovery and management decisions. I am seeking to serve because Boulder raised me, and I want to give back by contributing both my long-term local perspective and my scientific approach to thoughtful, responsible, and community-centered stewardship. I believe this combination would allow me to be an effective board member and a strong representative of Boulder's values.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had formal experience serving on this board or working directly with it. However, I have extensive personal experience using and engaging with the parks, trails, and services it oversees as a longtime Boulder resident.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help improve how our community uses and experiences the trails and parks in Boulder, Colorado. My goal is to support thoughtful upgrades, enhance accessibility, and ensure these spaces remain safe, sustainable, and welcoming for all users. I want our parks and trails to continue evolving in ways that strengthen community connection and preserve the outdoor character that makes Boulder unique.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 2020

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Occupation / Major of Study Consulting

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Open Space board to contribute back to the local ecosystem in an area where I have passion with the skills I have developed working 30+ years as a business and IT consulting managing director for the largest consulting firm in the world, Accenture.

I am a long time nature, travel and portrait photographer. Through photography, I have enjoyed the privilege of working with my previous forest preserve district (Lake County Illinois), museums, local businesses and non-profit organizations. Part of the reason my wife and I chose to move to Boulder was the immediate access of natural spaces. We have lived here a little more than five years and when I look out the window in the morning it still feels like we are on vacation every day. I am very much in the giving back stage of my career and in addition to serving on the board of Boulder public art-centric non-profit and actively working with a few others, I would like to bring my passion for nature and wildlife to the open space board.

In my career, I have worked with many organizations and led teams of all sizes from a handful to a few thousand. Through these experiences I have become quite capable with teamwork, partnership development, governance, education and leadership. In my professional career, my responsibilities included managing very significant client relationships for some of the largest companies in the US, strategic partnerships with technology providers, leadership development for our teams and project/program management for large multi-year transformations. Locally, I am on the board of Boulder non-profit so in addition to the corporate world, I have experience in smaller charity based board processes. I believe with these skills I would be well qualified to be an effective board member and community representative.

I am of course happy to provide further details if desired.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not had any experience with this board. Specific to the open spaces, my family and I often experience the open spaces via hiking and other outdoor activities.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

In addition to supporting the open space team in any way I can, I would seek to explore opportunities to develop education programs to leverage the open spaces in a different way, e.g. photography, painting, etc. Prior to moving to Boulder, in the next county north of Cook County (Chicago), I ran a quarterly photography program for our forest preserve district (much like the Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks) along with a naturalist from the district. It would be great to see a similar program in place serving the areas around Boulder.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1988

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self Employed

Occupation / Major of Study Technology

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) Board to participate with an organization that offers insight into the policies and practices that shape a domain that is of great importance to me. I would like to work with other community members to help increase the equity between people and the open space they enjoy. I am a volunteer trail ambassador, and thus have had somewhat of an "insiders" experience in the OSMP territory, but would like to deepen that commitment and understanding. I am certified as a Wilderness First Responder (WFR), so I can also visit issues from the perspective of some emergencies. After undergraduate and graduate education at the University of Colorado (CU), I worked there for over twenty years, and managed many projects, so I can effectively work in groups in various roles. As a long-term part of the Boulder community who is deeply enmeshed in outdoor activity in the natural areas, I feel that I could be a benefit to the board and therefore to the constituents it serves, as well as a champion of the open space and mountain parks.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

As I mentioned above, I am a volunteer trail ambassador, and I also frequently partake of the open space and mountain parks in Boulder in a variety of ways. On the many trails, I hike about 150 days a year, mountain bike in the summer, and simply enjoy being outdoors in nature. I have remained in Boulder for almost 40 years, and without a doubt, one of the primary reasons I have stayed is the access to the open space.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the OSMP Board, I would like to give back to a realm that has offered so much to me. I would like to advise progressive ideals and foster an environment that benefits the land while still allowing people to enjoy it. I would also enjoy interacting with others that share the same passions I have about nature. Moreover, I would endeavor to leave Boulder a little bit better than I found it.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self Employed

Occupation / Major of Study Carpenter

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

In the past 15 years I have served Boulder in many ways, mostly from within the community. Whether as a volunteer, or as a small business owner that was willing to make sacrifices for the improvement of our city. I have a strong background in varied structures, connections in sustainable grazing, and an encyclopedic knowledge of our city that spans from our roads, to our businesses, and far out into the trails and wilderness beyond. Above all, I am a deeply entrenched community member, and for that reason I believe I would be a good representative. I have a reputation for friendliness, and although I have strong opinions that I am willing to communicate, above all I prioritize collaboration.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I am an avid and accomplished mountaineer that has experience much of what our mountains have to offer. I am an accomplished climber, paragliding pilot, and trail runner. Beyond that, the skills I have as a builder come in handy when reviewing legislation. I am familiar with best practices and ethics around all of the aforementioned disciplines, but also some of the "nuts and bolts" that come along with civil infrastructure and code.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I, more than anything, would like to be able to use my broad skills and experience to better serve our community. I believe that I have been put in a unique position to have the time, and skills to serve in a position like this, while still being a young business owner. I would be exceedingly grateful for the opportunity to continue my volunteerism within our community.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2000

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self employed

Occupation / Major of Study Mediator and Facilitator

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Open Space Board of Trustees because I want to make a meaningful, positive impact on Boulder's community and land stewardship. I have observed the work of OSBT for more than two decades and have been involved in recreation and natural resource planning in the city as both a volunteer and a resident. Serving as a trustee would allow me to better understand and help influence how decisions are made related to open space and agricultural lands, and to contribute thoughtful, community-grounded input to those decisions.

I bring the perspective of a longtime Boulder resident who has lived here for 25 years and engaged with the city's natural resources across different phases of life, including now as a parent of elementary-school-aged children. I would value the opportunity to advise staff and fellow trustees from the standpoint of someone who deeply appreciates Boulder's open space system, understands how residents use and value these lands, and cares about balancing recreation, conservation, and long-term stewardship.

Professionally, I am a trained mediator and facilitator with a master's degree in environmental policy and significant experience working in the natural environment and land use fields for local, state, and federal agencies. My work has focused on helping diverse stakeholders navigate complex issues, listen to multiple perspectives, apply a policy lens, and identify practical, balanced options. These skills would support productive board deliberations and effective collaboration with staff and the public.

I have previously served on the City of Boulder's Environmental Advisory Board as co-chair, which provided valuable experience with city governance, advisory processes, and public decision-making. I am also a volunteer mediator with the City of Boulder. I have volunteered as both a bat monitor and prairie dog monitor for the city, giving me direct, on-the-ground experience with Boulder's wildlife and land management efforts.

My personal and professional experiences and prior service to the city would help me to be an effective OSBT member and a thoughtful representative of the Boulder community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have a user's perspective and an organizational perspective on the services and decisions overseen by OSBT. My experience with OSBT has primarily been as a longtime Boulder resident and user of the city's open space system. I have lived in Boulder for 25 years and regularly use open space and parks for recreation, education, and time outdoors with my family.

In addition, during my time serving on the board of the Boulder Mountainbike Alliance, I interacted with OSBT and City staff on issues related to trail access, recreation, and land management. This experience gave me insight into how the Board engages with community organizations, balances diverse interests, and oversees policies related to open space and recreation.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help advance several key priorities that reflect both community interests and the Board's recent work. Above all, I hope to contribute a community perspective that supports responsible stewardship of Boulder's open spaces, support and provide guidance to staff. promotes inclusive access, and helps OSBT advance timely priorities in a sustainable and equitable way.

- I want to help expand mountain bike access where it makes sense from both a community and policy perspective, including safe multimodal trail connections and recreation improvements that have been discussed by OSBT as part of Priority Action 7c and public engagement around trail access planning.

- I would like to make sure all people have a voice in OSBT deliberations, particularly on topics that draw diverse perspectives, such as trail planning, flood mitigation impacts on access, and land management decisions. I value transparency and will work to encourage meaningful community input in decision-making processes that the Board is actively addressing.

- I am committed to protecting Boulder's agricultural lands and ecological restoration efforts, such as riparian restoration projects and floodplain reconnection work that the Board has recently considered as opportunities for both environmental benefit and community interpretation. I want to make sure that agricultural voices are elevated and ag heritage is preserved and can thrive.

- I hope to provide input on how the Board balances parks, open space, agricultural, and recreation facility priorities for all users. This includes contributing to balanced planning and budgeting and making sure that budget allocations are transparent, sustainable, and reflect community values. This is especially information in light of ongoing conversations around how open space tax funds and cost allocations support operations and broader city services.

- I would like to help guide trailhead improvements, design updates (for example, South Boulder Creek flood mitigation efforts), and partnerships that enhance recreation safety and environmental quality.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Technosylva, Inc

Occupation / Major of Study Product Manager, Wildfire Risk Reduction

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in getting more involved in local Boulder governance as a way to give back, and I find that my skills and interests align well with the purpose of the Open Space Board of Trustees. As an avid user of Boulder open space, I'm invested in ensuring access to this incredible resource across our community; as an environmentalist, I'm committed to preserving our ecological legacy for future generations; and as a homeowner less than a mile from open space, I'm acutely aware of wildfire risk. I also bring professional expertise in wildfire mitigation strategy and prioritization through my work at Technosylva, where I lead wildfire mitigation planning product development. Technosylva provides wildfire response and mitigation technology for customers including Xcel, the United States Forest Service, and CAL FIRE.

In my current professional role, I am helping develop and roll out an update to our wildfire spread model to better account for behavior within the wildland-urban interface and urban conflagration, a problem fundamental to Boulder. This work will help me inform OSMP wildfire mitigation strategy and engage with the community to build support for these efforts.

Wildfire risk is only increasing, and wind-driven fire events can quickly encroach into the urban environment, spreading miles beyond the flame front through ember cast. Ignition prevention and early spread mitigation are therefore critical to safeguarding our community. OSMP has done excellent work reducing fuels through mechanical thinning and cattle grazing, and has responded to heightened fire risk with smart policies like trail closures during the recent NWS-designated Particularly Dangerous Situation windstorm.

However, more work remains, particularly in the usage of mowing and/or prescribed burns to manage surface fuels. These activities are expensive and risk negative community feedback, but they are some of the most impactful interventions we can make from a wildfire risk management perspective; heightened community engagement and education are therefore necessary. As a wildfire mitigation practitioner who works directly with organizations planning mitigation efforts, I believe I have the experience necessary to both help guide organizational priorities and interface with the community to increase awareness and understanding.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I recreate on OSMP land daily, whether running in Shanahan Ridge, biking through Boulder Valley Ranch, or hiking Sanitas. Moreover, I experience the services of OSMP every red flag day when wildfire doesn't break out in our community due to the mitigation efforts and closures enforced by this organization.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to further the mission of OSMP by thoughtfully weighing the tradeoffs inherent in its work, including recreational access, ecological protection, and preservation of agricultural heritage. I also want to serve as an effective liaison to the community, gathering input and helping convey the nuances behind organizational decisions. Specifically, my top priorities would be:

(1) Prioritize effective wildfire mitigation, involving community stakeholders early to address legitimate concerns (e.g., around risk of wildfire escape from prescribed burns) and shape a wildfire mitigation approach that balances risk reduction with ecological health and community safety. Additionally, I'd like to help OSMP adopt technology to better inform wildfire risk and mitigation strategies with a deeper understanding of wildfire spread potential and consequences (population and values at risk), including impact on vulnerable populations.

(2) Promote ecological health, including through the effective management of invasives, restoration of degraded soil health, and improved management of forests, including by interfacing with the community to promote understanding of the ecology (e.g., the value of cattle grazing to combat tall oat grass, thereby slowing the spread of an invasive weed, reducing wildfire risk, and restoring soil health)

(3) Expand community engagement and education opportunities, including through direct Board interaction and working with OSMP staff to further deploy physical signage and online/social media content regarding OSMP practices

(4) Revisit policies and priorities to effectively manage recreational usage patterns, including by reviewing parking lot access and policies, exploring additional transit opportunities similar to the Park-to-Park bus, expanding bike parking at trailheads, ensuring ADA-compliant accessible access, and generally promoting sustainable and equitable usage of our OSMP lands.

(5) Preserve and further our agricultural heritage, including by expanding cattle grazing where warranted to address wildfire risk and/or improve soil health, expanding programs to promote organic and regenerative agricultural practices on OSMP land, and expanding educational opportunities especially with local schools.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Nov 2018

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Advertising/Conservation

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Open Space and Mountain Parks is the best part of Boulder. OSMP attracted my wife and I to the city, focused our home buying search and now provides recreational and outdoor enjoyment every week. The establishment of OSMP was a brilliant decision. It must be protected, managed and expanded for future generations.

After a career in the advertising industry I joined The Nature Conservancy. For nine years I worked with corporate partners (MillerCoors, General Mills, Coca-Cola and others) to attract almost \$14 million in philanthropic support and to bring the Conservancy's conservation expertise to corporate agricultural and freshwater practices.

I am experienced in working with senior management and in developing compelling proposals and presentations. I also fully understand the persistence and long lead times required to succeed in fund raising.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

While taxes have and should provide the majority of financial support, the establishment of the Boulder Open Space Conservancy is recognition that further support from the community is possible and potentially significant. I believe I could help expand this opportunity with individuals and the Boulder business community, while providing a conservation perspective to board discussions.

FYI: I am also talking with BOSC about a board position. Whether coordinating with BOSC as a member of the OSMP board or joining BOSC is the best home for my experience I hope will be worth discussing.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2000

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution currently between jobs

Occupation / Major of Study Finance

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I moved to Boulder to attend CU, and I fell in love with the open space and community and never left. With deep love for the open space surrounding Boulder, my husband and I bought a house within walking distance to one of the trail systems. You can find me on the trails and open space all around Boulder most days of the year. As a volunteer, I have served on the city's Walk & Bike Month board, participated in Watershed Collective invasive species removals and BMA trailwork days, helped with Community Cycles' holiday bike giveaways, and coached for a local group utilizing open space (Little Bellas). Working for several different Boulder-based companies, my most recent position was Finance Director for a local nonprofit. Given these experiences, I have solid background knowledge regarding budgets and decision-making boards, as well as engaging with the community. I would love the opportunity to serve again in a capacity that has a large impact on my life as well as every community member of Boulder. Open Space is part of what makes Boulder so incredibly special, and being a trustee for its care would be an honor.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Throughout my 25+ years in Boulder, I have followed OSMP and most of the issues surrounding this board. As an avid trail user in many different forms, I try to understand all needs and respect all users who want to be in the spaces we protect. My house benefited from the enhanced wildfire mitigation protections in regards to the fast-moving NCAR fire just a few years ago. OSMP did an amazing job to clean up all the trail damage after the devastating 2013 floods. I have seen the seasons of trails, new networks created, listened to the community comments and board input sessions, and thought through many tough issues like the West TSA and CU South. As an engaged community member regarding Open Space, I am very familiar with all the topics of the past 25 years, and of those still upcoming in the next 5 years. And, I will continue to be out in open space every day, saying hi to other trail users, watching the wildlife, and experiencing the numerous benefits of this cherished city asset.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to be a knowledgeable and steady voice in helping to guide OSMP for the next five years, navigating issues such as wildfire mitigation, restoration and wildlife protection, tribal lands education, Boulder Falls, future trail proposals and maintenance, and all other issues in front of the board. As a professional, I have directed leadership teams and nonprofit boards. As a volunteer, I have guided little girls through skills and confidence clinics. I want the best opportunities for everyone to experience nature in their everyday lives. Thank you for considering my application, and I hope to be able to serve and support OSMP.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Open Space Board of Trustees

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Nov 1977

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Occupation / Major of Study Executive, Climate Technology / Electrical and Computer Engineering

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am a Boulder native who has lived and worked around the world, only to realize this is the best place on earth to settle and raise my family. Living in places as diverse as mega-cities and jungles in Asia has given me a profound appreciation for Boulder's natural resources and strong desire to preserve and improve it for future generations.

As a proud husband and father, climate technology executive and outdoor adventurer, I hope to serve on the open space board of trustees to make a lasting contribution on issues aligned to two of my personal core values: 1) Connection with nature and 2) Sustainability.

I'm an engineer by education and at heart, using my technical depth and operational expertise to tackle challenging, impactful problems. Professionally, I am an executive in the energy sector, where my purpose is to accelerate the clean energy transition. I have served in technical and management leadership positioned at mission-driven companies, with a particular focus on a resilient power grid and wildfire risk mitigation. This professional experience has taught me how to build high-performing teams to achieve great results in a sustainable way for all stakeholders. I would utilize this training and experience to similarly advance the Boulder open space objectives.

I have a consistent track record of service through a number of volunteer, advisory and decision-making boards, including: the University of Colorado Engineering Advisory Board, BVSD school accountability committee, North Boulder Little League board member and coach, and Fairview High School mountain bike coach.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have attended Open Space Board of Trustees meetings seeking public comment.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to advance OSMPs existing master plans while reprioritizing and refocusing resources towards achieving excellence in three specific areas:

1) Resilience. Invest in systems, technology and process to proactively mitigate wildfire risk throughout Boulder open space.

2) Recreation. Prioritize OSMP strategy RRSE.7) Build New Trails. Boulder's existing trail system, while impressive, has not kept pace with shifting demographics, use patterns and population growth to the point where it is now inadequate to serve community needs. Specifically, as a high school mountain bike coach, I am keenly aware of the lack of bike trail access throughout Boulder. I hope to achieve a shift from a "scarcity" mindset of trails to an "abundance" mindset. With more high quality, multi-modal trails, crowding, parking and trail safety concerns can be reduced by spreading users out across a greater number of trails.

3). Responsibility. Efficiently and effectively manage open space budget to increase the value and impact of outcomes. Boulder has commendably acquired a portfolio of invaluable open space over the years. This long-term investment strategy has benefited the quality of life of Boulder residents. Recently, funding has shifted more towards maintenance of existing resources. I would seek to achieve a rebalancing of investment back towards acquisition of strategic land and especially increased access through building new trails.

Date

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Planning Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Mason Roberts
 2029 Mark McIntyre
 2029 Claudia Hanson Thiem
 2028 Kurt Nordback
 2027 LAURA KAPLAN
 2027 ml Robles
 2026 Jorge Boone

Occupation:

Actuary
 Partner

 Senior facilitator / mediator
 Architect

Status:

Occupied
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Form Name: Boards & Commissions Application NEW
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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2023

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Hispanic or Latinx

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am interested in serving on the Planning Board because I am a thoughtful listener who values multiple perspectives and works to turn understanding into shared solutions. Community is one of my core values, and there is nothing more meaningful to me than serving both the people and the environment we live in.

My participation in the 15-minute neighborhood assembly sparked a deeper interest in public planning and strengthened my desire to be a bridge between people of different cultures, languages, and lived experiences. That experience challenged me to listen more deeply, gather perspectives with care, and thoughtfully represent voices that are not always heard in decision-making spaces.

This work is complex and requires patience, humility, and care. This is work I am willing to do because I truly believe in building communities that reflect shared values and collective well-being.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

The 15-minute neighborhood assembly.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to achieve representation for diverse communities and diverse experiences. I hope to achieve understanding and learn from other board members and experts in the field. Ultimately, I hope to make our community in Boulder a more welcoming, equitable, diverse, and connected place to live for all people. We deserve it.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 1999

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado

Occupation / Major of Study Scientist

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in Boulder for over 25 years. I have been a homeowner of a townhouse and now a single family house in Boulder. I have also been a landlord in Boulder and raised a family here. I have also built (redeveloped) a house in Boulder and dealt with building codes in that process. I am used to thinking about real estate from the perspectives of an owner, a developer and investor. I am a bike commuter in Boulder, having worked in both north and south Boulder, and now work at the University of Colorado and from home. My career has been in climate science, but I have an undergraduate certificate in Architecture and Urban Planning.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not directly, though I live with the consequences of planning decisions every day.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to contribute to a vital and livable Boulder, and balancing complex goals of viability, livability, affordability and sustainability. I hope that by serving on the Planning board I can contribute my own perspective as a long time resident, consumer and investor in the city of Boulder with some knowledge of real estate, architecture, and urban planning. I've gotten more interested in giving back to the community in which I have lived for 25 years, and I hope to better understand the issues and perspectives of the planning board and come to issues with an open mind.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve as a member of Boulder's Planning Board, because I see it as an especially good way for me to give back in a meaningful way to the Boulder community that has been our beloved home for almost 15 years. I have followed Boulder's government and its functions since we moved here in 2011; it has provided a fascinating and compelling look at this uniquely vibrant American community from afar. Now, I want to get involved more deeply in one particular aspect. It is a one-of-a-kind community I have grown to love, including its spectacular physical and social virtues as well as its special and delightful quirks. Specifically, I want to use my education (UPenn, The Wharton School, Harvard Business School) and long, deep and broad professional experience as a senior media and entertainment executive (CEO, COO, GM for several leading media organizations) and high-level management consultant (co-founder of Quantum Media, one of Forbes' "Top Management Consulting firms) to make a deeper contribution, as an insider in one part of what makes Boulder tick.

On a practical level, I understand this board, more than any other, requires an enormous commitment of time for meetings and reading/study/preparation. Because I am both capable but also retired, I have the gifts of time, brains and energy - which I would be honored to devote to the planning board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct hands-on experience in the area of municipal planning, zoning, strategies and operations, but I have decades of relevant experience, and success in the for-profit sector, managing adjacent areas such as business development, operations, systems, economic incentives, business vitality, partnership marketing initiatives and strategic planning -- across a variety of industries and markets. In addition, I think my leadership experience on both for-profit and non-profit Boards is relevant and valuable. (For example, leadership board memberships on the Harvard Business School Club, The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Hardware.com, University of Pennsylvania (multiple boards and committees), Boulder High School PA President, The Dalton School Trustees (K-12, NYC) and Congregation Rodeph Sholom (NYC), among others.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to make a significant, measurable, permanent impact on Boulder's complex and vitally important planning operations and oversight. I know this board, in particular, has a direct impact on Boulder operations that goes far beyond the advisory level, and am committed to do the work necessary to live up to these serious expectations.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 1977

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Colorado School of Mines, University Architect - Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Architect

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have been an architect for over 43 years. My early career began in Boulder where I worked primarily on residential and light commercial projects. I opened my own practice in 1987 and designed both residential multi-family projects, as well as, larger historic renovation projects. In 2003, I left my practice to work for the University of California, San Diego as a Principal Architect where I managed large institution projects. In, 2008, I took the position of University Architect for the Colorado School of Mines and held that position for 15 years until my retirement in 2023. My responsibilities included all master planning, programming, design, and construction, space planning and real estate acquisitions for the school, as well as, leading a staff of 10.

During my tenure at Mines, I developed a two master plans for the campus and was the primary contact to the City of Golden for planning and project review. Since Mines is a State institution, it is in the same position as the University of Colorado with regard to City zoning regulations. In order to achieve a reasonable "Town and Gown" relationship with Golden, I was instrumental in developing planning and design guidelines which the School and City could use to evaluate planning and design issues. This ultimately led to a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to which Golden and Mines both agreed.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

In my early career (1977-1987) I was involved in several PUD applications and reviews.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I believe I am uniquely qualified to understand the issues that Boulder faces from a planning perspective. I have many years of working with (and interpreting) planning and zoning regulations and can offer effective real world suggestions/solutions to help applicants navigate Boulder's planning process.

Specifically, my work with the City of Golden and Mines provides me with a unique perspective of the Town and Gown relationship and how to navigate it to the benefit of both entities. Ultimately, I would like to help Boulder facilitate a MOU with CU, similar to the one between Mines and Golden, so that Boulder has a voice in CU's development. I know that this is a City Council matter, but my knowledge and experience could go a long way to facilitate an agreement of this type, should the City want to pursue it.

Date

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Submission Time: December 29, 2025 7:35 pm
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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2004

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado

Occupation / Major of Study Accounting

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to contribute to my community and be involved in the City of Boulder as it adapts and changes in the future.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to bring my perspective to the board as a person raised in Boulder County and a homeowner in the City of Boulder with children.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 1999

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

Contact Information

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Helix Underwriting Partners USA Ltd

Occupation / Major of Study Insurance Underwriter

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am looking to become more involved in the community that I have called home for over 25 years.

I have previously worked in government to solve crisis in the homeowners insurance market in California - starting the California Earthquake Authority after the Northridge Earthquake - and have recently started programs to provide insurance for homeowners affected by the insurance crisis properties exposed to wildfire risk.

Further, I am concerned about the loss of character in Boulder. Rather than a unique, special place that Boulder is, we are looking more like suburbia, without distinction between Boulder and Westminster, Superior, etc. There is a middle ground that can make Boulder more accessible while maintaining character.

I believe that I can provide common sense perspective to the direction of development in Boulder, and utilize my experience to make our city more resilient to natural disasters while preserving what makes Boulder special.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have no experience working with the planning commission

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

As noted above, I believe that I can provide common sense perspective on developments in Boulder, to help build resiliency and make Boulder more accessible to others, while maintaining it's unique character.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2020

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Independent

Occupation / Major of Study Advisor and Consultant

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in and out of Boulder since the 1990s, and my great grandparents and grandfather lived here as well, so the city has been a part of family and life experiences for generations, and I have both a unique perspective, as well as personal investment and interest in the long-term planning for Boulder. Land use codes shape the community and environment we live in. Having witnessed the transition from traditional neighborhoods to today's dense urban blocks, I recognize that cities change over time and that a vibrant Boulder requires a diverse housing spectrum for a diverse population-single-family, townhomes, duplex, and high-density-supported by thoughtful commercial zoning that focuses on community. We especially need to focus on young and middle income families, who are getting priced out of the city. I've witnessed this firsthand with my grade-school children in BVSD and its declining enrollment. Meeting these groups needs ensures the future of Boulder.

Professionally, I have managed operations and strategy for organizations with revenue and budgets exceeding those of the City of Boulder. This experience has taught me how to synthesize complex data, navigate competing stakeholder interests, and execute long-term strategies. I wish to serve because I believe my ability to balance fiscal reality with community-centric growth will ensure Boulder remains accessible and functional for future generations.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not directly been involved with the planning board, but every citizen interacts with and is impacted by the board's decisions. Seeing the changes in Boulder zoning that has happened in the past few years, and watching the city grapple with needed changes to meet the demand for people moving to Boulder has highlighted the need to continue to have thoughtful people on the board. Having watched these meetings, I think that my perspective would be additive to the board.

My first job was in maintenance in my family's multi-family housing developments in Memphis. Over time, I took on a range of roles in operations and management, giving me a deep understanding of the lived experience of residents and housing policy from the ground up, including those of subsidized housing. I'd use that experience to help build the long-term health and smart growth of Boulder as a whole. It is one thing to plan how we want the city to be in the future, and it is another to understand the needs of the residents, how they live, and how these areas are actually managed.

Last, my wife and I have been involved in a remodel in a historic area in Boulder. We have learned a great deal, spoken with lots of other boards, and seen opportunities that can make Boulder better for everyone. Some of these opportunities could be addressed by being on this board, but more importantly, I want to be a part of the solution to making a better Boulder.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

My interest in serving on the board is not related to idealology, but comes from a place of service to Boulder. There are three key areas in which I'd like to make progress:

1. Plan for Building Community: In recent surveys in Boulder County and the City of Boulder, one of the top things our community members said is that they feel disconnected and want more community. To build community, we'd need to encompass many elements that are known, and continue to understand new ones. This will be especially important in creating the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan. Themes that bubble up in discussions include: public spaces, housing for the "middle", inclusion of diverse populations, local commercial infrastructure, safety and social interaction.

2. Economic Growth: Having the right zoning and development to attract people to the area and having the infrastructure to keep and attract businesses is critical for Boulder's growth. Our area is a leader in sports, technology, all things CU, sciences, aerospace, tourism, and more. To continue to be the place businesses want to grow and remain, I'd want us to understand the requirements to attract and keep these organizations and businesses here, to grow the tax base and provide a healthy, productive economy for all community members.

3. Environmental Impact: Environmental considerations in construction, transportation, biodiversity and land use are critical. Boulder has set some ambitious environmental goals for the community, and the city planning is a critical part of meeting those goals.

I'd like to reinforce the importance of the community. Boulder is the people who live here. Too often, I hear people say that the planning seems to be a black box, rubber-stamps for certain projects, or is controlled by a minority with an agenda. All of those comments are emotional. I'd like to contribute to transparency of the process and help community members feel heard and that their needs are understood.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Nov 2024

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Business

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have done this work in the past and found it a great way to give back and engage with the community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I served on the Planning Commission in Medford Oregon for 6 years last two as Vice Chair had to not reapply as I was relocating here. I truly enjoyed the work.

I understand the function here is a bit different as are the land use laws.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Continue the work of helping manage the growth process in a way that supports business and considers the needs of new and existing residents. Growth and change are hard but vital to a thriving city

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2023

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Home Address

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Demographic Information

Gender

Man | Man

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve to better understand local government and to contribute to long-range planning, especially the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan. I bring systems thinking from engineering/software, experience running structured stakeholder interviews, and practice weighing tradeoffs and communicating decisions clearly.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not served on this Board. I've followed local planning issues as a resident and I'm prepared to learn the code/process and do the meeting prep.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Help ensure planning decisions are evidence-based, reflect community input, and are explained in a way the public can follow.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self Employed

Occupation / Major of Study Builder

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I believe that my long history in Boulder and knowledge of its streets and buildings will serve me well on Planning board. I interact with building regulations often, and have faith in my ability to interpret them in a meaningful and objective way.

I think that a general contractor would be a valuable addition to the board, as well as a renters perspective, both of these viewpoints are currently underrepresented.

Beyond that, I believe that I have shown an ability to collaborate, and communicate well, even with those with differing opinions than me. I have demonstrated to the sitting council, and some members of the current plan board a willingness to learn, grow, read and study in an effort to help a community that I have called home for my entire adult life.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have watched several meetings, and attended some of the joint meeting as well. I also follow closely the developments that rise up in the area and the way they impact the community. In my business life I read the code and apply it, but what perhaps is even more valuable is how in touch I am with the community, and the buildings that are in it.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would hope to offer a fresh perspective on matters of the board. I believe I could help people understand how, and why, some codes exist for building. I also believe that through my high spirits for collaboration I would provide relevant advice towards both the board, and council, on ways to attract artists, small business owners, and the "missing middle" back to Boulder.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2022

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Caddis Collaborative

Occupation / Major of Study Architect

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a Colorado native, I grew up in Colorado Springs and have had a front-row seat - both inspiring and challenging - to the dramatic transformation of the Front Range since the early 1970s. Over the decades, I have watched communities evolve under the pressures of growth, development, and changing priorities, experiences that have shaped both my personal values and my professional outlook. Prior to relocating to Boulder in 2022, I lived primarily in and around the Denver Metro area - including Denver, Golden and Wheat Ridge - after earning a Master of Architecture degree from The University Colorado Denver in 2000. I also hold an undergraduate degree from The Colorado College, where my interest in the relationship between the built environment and community life first took root.

Over the past 25 years working in the architecture field, I have been fortunate to collaborate with exceptionally talented and forward-thinking designers who prioritize genuine placemaking, social equity, and long-term sustainability over personal recognition or ego. These professional experiences have reinforced my belief that thoughtful design can meaningfully enhance quality of life, strengthen social connections, and create more inclusive and resilient communities.

As a current resident of Boulder's Holiday neighborhood, I have the privilege of living in a New Urbanist community that embodies many of the principles I deeply value - walkability, a diversity of housing types, demographic inclusivity, environmental responsibility, and a strong sense of place. My interest in serving on Planning Board stems from a sincere desire to help cultivate these same qualities in other neighborhoods and communities throughout Boulder as the city continues to grow. I am motivated to contribute my experience, perspective, and commitment to ensure that future development reflects shared values and supports a vibrant, equitable, and sustainable future for all residents.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

My experience with Planning Board has been limited to my role as an applicant on various housing projects through both current and previous employers. In each of these cases, the process has consistently been prolonged and, at times, financially challenging, largely due to multiple review cycles. These extended timelines can introduce uncertainty, increase costs, and place additional strain on project viability, particularly for housing initiatives intended to serve the broader community needs.

As a result, I have developed a strong interest in helping improve this process wherever possible. I would welcome the opportunity to contribute toward a clearer, more transparent, and more predictable review framework - one that minimizes rigorous standards while also supporting efficiency, accountability, and constructive collaboration between applicants, staff, and reviewing bodies.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

With the understanding that a key goal of the City is updating the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan (BVCP) toward, among other things, clearer and more streamlined Land Use designations, I hope to apply my experience as an architect and lifelong Colorado resident to planning efforts with an objective and pragmatic perspective. I view future planning initiatives not as regulatory constraints, but as opportunities for adaptability, integration, and thoughtful growth that respond to evolving community needs while preserving Boulder's core values.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Planning Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 2021

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Occupation / Major of Study Engineer

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Boulder Planning Board to contribute to thoughtful, sustainable growth that balances climate resilience, small business vitality, housing equity, and community well-being in Boulder. As a long-time resident and business owner deeply invested in our local economy, I am committed to ensuring land use decisions reflect the real-world needs of residents, workers, and entrepreneurs who navigate the city's evolving built environment daily.

My professional background as an engineer, combined with owning and operating Flatirons Creative Studio—a Boulder-based web design and digital consulting firm—provides direct qualifications for the board's work. Engineering training equips me with strong analytical skills for reviewing complex development proposals, zoning variances, and infrastructure impacts, including technical assessments of site plans, traffic flow, and environmental compliance. Running a business at 777 15th Street has given me lived experience with local regulations, permitting processes, and how zoning affects operational viability, customer access, and economic contributions from small enterprises.

In strategic consulting and project leadership, I regularly synthesize diverse stakeholder inputs, facilitate collaborative decision-making, and deliver data-driven recommendations—mirroring the Planning Board's role in evaluating applications against city code, comprehensive plans, and policy goals. My involvement in founding initiatives with technical leaders, such as co-chairing efforts in Open Process Automation alongside engineers from ExxonMobil, honed my ability to bridge technical details with broader strategic visions, ensuring practical, forward-thinking outcomes.

This engineering mindset, paired with hands-on business ownership in Boulder, positions me to ask precise questions, identify tradeoffs in land use, and advocate for solutions that enhance resilience and inclusivity. I am eager to represent the community's innovative spirit, drawing on disciplined preparation and transparent dialogue to support equitable development that strengthens our neighborhoods and economy.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not served on the Boulder Planning Board or Boulder County Planning Commission, nor attended their meetings as a formal participant. However, as a Boulder business owner operating Flatirons Creative Studio at 777 15th Street, I have direct experience with the services they oversee, including navigating the city's Planning & Development Services for site plan reviews, zoning compliance, permitting processes, and use reviews tied to commercial operations.

Additionally, through strategic consulting and Open Process Automation initiatives, I collaborated on projects involving regulatory compliance and long-range planning, mirroring the board's advisory role on policy updates and development applications. This practical exposure ensures I can contribute effectively from day one, bringing informed perspectives on how planning decisions affect local economies and communities.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to the Boulder Planning Board, I hope to advance equitable, resilient development that supports small businesses, enhances housing access, and preserves Boulder's innovative community character while aligning with comprehensive plans like the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan.

Drawing on my engineering expertise and experience operating Flatirons Creative Studio, I aim to bridge technical analysis with practical stakeholder input, ensuring decisions on zoning, site plans, and use reviews promote economic vitality without compromising environmental or neighborhood integrity. Specifically, I want to advocate for streamlined permitting that benefits local entrepreneurs, innovative solutions for traffic and climate impacts, and inclusive processes that amplify underrepresented voices in land use debates.

Through disciplined preparation and collaborative dialogue, my service would contribute to long-range policy recommendations that strengthen Boulder's resilience, fostering a thriving economy and livable spaces for future generations.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Seat #4 - Appoint member to unexpired 2 year term through 3/31/2028

Current Members:

2030 Michael Schreiner
 2030 Kyra Siegel
 2029 Jennifer Robins
 2028 Andrew Bernstein
 2028 Caroline Gecker
 2027 Yvonne Castillo
 2026 Robert Kaplan

Occupation:

Attorney

 Director
 Public relations

Status:

Occupied
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 Resigned 11/21/2025
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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2017

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Self Employed: Find Your Path Counseling

Occupation / Major of Study Private Practice Psychotherapist

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My Masters degree in social work focused both on Clinical Psychotherapy as well as Leadership, Policy and Social Change which gave me unique training in communication, understanding government systems, policy and how to effectively work in group settings. Over my 20+ year career I have held many roles that have helped shaped me to be a strong member of the Boulder Parks and Recreation Advisory Board including working in school systems, world renowned hospitals and in private practice. As a social worker I have developed strong skills that allow me to work well with others, facilitate difficult conversations and come to agreements in emotionally vulnerable spaces. My work within large organizations and systems has uniquely prepared me to have a good understanding of the system Boulder Parks and Recreation operates in and the importance of understanding all the partners in Boulder that utilize our beautiful Parks and Recreation spaces. I believe in the power of play, nature, and connection that our Parks and Recreation Department brings our city and will do everything I can to support the mission of the department.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

My only experience is our experience with the wonderful, parks, programs and recreation centers our community has to offer our family. I have so many wonderful memories of raising my now teenagers in the Boulder Parks. Lots of nature play, connecting with other families and generally just appreciating how lucky we are to live in this amazing town.

Our family would be considered high users of all three recreation centers as well as our parks in Boulder. We have come to cherish each recreation center and the wonderful employees who work there. I have on several occasions seen the challenges that face the many employees of the recreation centers from the front desk staff to the incredible life guards. As a member of the Boulder Parks and Recreation Advisory Board I would also bring my knowledge of the wonderful humans that make the Boulder Parks and Recreation possible. As a counselor in BVSD I was so grateful for the opportunities Boulder Parks and Recreation gave our most vulnerable students and families to engage in healthy ways in our community.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

One of the reasons we love living in Boulder is our amazing Parks and Recreation Services. I would love the opportunity to help our city continue to build, maintain and grow the amazing Parks and Rec Services available to our community. I am passionate about my community and being engaged with the system to foster positive outcomes in my community. I love our parks and recreation centers and my family utilizes them on a daily basis and I want to give back to the wonderful system that has given our family so much joy, health and connection. In a world where children are not always given independence I love that our parks and recreation centers given them third spaces to meet their friends, play, exercise and connect in an open, unstructured way. I love the our recreation centers allow all members of our community a space to connect from infants to elderly and all the individuals in between.

Ultimately I want to help the Parks and Recreation department continue their mission to promote the health and well-being of the entire Boulder community. What a wonderful way to give back the community that has given myself and my family so much.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 2011

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution retired

Occupation / Major of Study financial sales

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I've been a Parks volunteer for 13 years, having adopted the Miner's Bed at Chautauqua in 2012. Over the years I've been fortunate to work with some great horticulturalists, parks employees and those in the volunteer community like myself. I'm dedicated to seeing the Parks volunteer program expanded, raising its profile, particularly to those who steward the funds available to Parks and Recreation.

I have taught as an adjunct professor in the English D at CU. Not sure that's a qualification for a Parks position, but I like to think that teaching, listening especially, are qualities I will bring to the board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

See above.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I'd like to help emphasize to the City Council (through the board) how critical the upkeep to our parks and programs are to our community. With all the residential development, the luring of large companies to headquarter here, there's only so much green space to go around. The city needs to prioritize our parks and rec centers, far above where I believe they are at present.

Thanks for your time. Good luck with your search. Art Kaufman

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2011

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve as a member of Boulder's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, because I see it as an especially good way for me to give back in a meaningful way to the Boulder community and serve careful oversight and management of one of its most valuable and treasured assets. Boulder has been our beloved home for almost 15 years. I have followed Boulder's government and its functions since we moved here in 2011; it has provided a fascinating and compelling look at this uniquely vibrant American community from afar. Now, I want to get involved more deeply in one particular aspect. It is a one-of-a-kind community I have grown to love, including its spectacular physical and social virtues as well as its special and delightful quirks. Specifically, I want to use my education (UPenn, The Wharton School, Harvard Business School) and long, deep and broad professional experience as a senior media and entertainment executive (CEO, COO, GM for several leading media organizations) and high-level management consultant (co-founder of Quantum Media, one of Forbe's "Top Management Consulting Firms") to make a deeper contribution, as an insider in one of the most outstanding aspects of what makes Boulder tick.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct hands-on experience in the area of Parks and Recreation assets and operations,, but I have decades of relevant experience, and success in the for-profit sector, managing adjacent areas such as asset management, business development, economic incentives, business vitality, partnership marketing initiatives and strategic planning -- across a variety of industries and markets. In addition, I think my leadership experience on both for-profit and non-profit Boards is relevant and valuable. (For example, leadership board memberships on the Harvard Business School Club, The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Hardware.com, University of Pennsylvania (multiple boards and committees), Boulder High School PA President, The Dalton School Trustees (K-12, NYC) and Congregation Rodeph Sholom (NYC), among others.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to make a thoughtful, significant, measurable, permanent impact on Boulder's stewardship of one of its crown jewels - the management of its treasured parks and recreation assets.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2013

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Software Technology

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Throughout my life, staying physically active has been a top priority. I believe that folks who get outside and move their bodies, either independently or as part of an organized activity have higher qualities of life. I feel very fortunate to live in Boulder where there is a plethora of possibilities for such, and would like to have a role in creating quality recreational experiences here.

In the early 2000s I served for three years on the board of the Swarthmore Recreation Association in Swarthmore, PA.

My professional experience as a professional services consultant trained me well in communication and collaboration. I have experience creating consensus and working towards concrete goals.

My personal opinion is that group recreation helps build community by hopefully bringing together people who wouldn't otherwise encounter each other.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Regrettably, I have no direct experience with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. But as a Boulder resident I avail myself of the parks. The Ultimate Frisbee pick-up group I play with uses the fields at Valmont and East Boulder Rec, and I occasionally play disc golf at Valmont and South Boulder Rec.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I see two general goals I would like to work towards:

1. Maintaining and enhancing existing services and facilities for folks currently taking advantage of the city's offerings.
2. Developing new offerings to entice new participants to get out and recreate.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2018

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Contact Information

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Volunteering is a way for me to give back to my communities, whether those be professional , hobby, or where I live.

I have a Masters Degree in business and finance, working currently as Chief Financial Officer (CFO), providing strategic financial and business expertise for multimillion-dollar organizations. I am well-versed in enhancing financial and operational processes. I can deliver key recommendations to executive level management and execute those ideas to improve the performance of organizations. Not only do I have a strong technical background, but my track record demonstrates that I am a results-oriented individual with a long history serving in non-profit/tax-exempt organization governance and advisory roles.

I have 12+ years serving as director on multiple governing boards for professional associations, nonprofits, and other organizations. I've also served more than 15 years on various governing, decision-making and advisory specialty committees, including finance, strategy, small business, research, ethics, global markets, technology, and audit. For some of these committees, I served a committee Chair.

Most recently, I completed a 3-year term as a member of the global Board of Directors of the Institute of Management Accountants, the worldwide association of accountants and financial professionals in business.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct experience with this board, however have participated in citizen surveys related to Parks and Recreation services, and did submit an application and interview for a position on this commission in 2024. My family and I are frequent users/beneficiaries of both the recreation centers and parks of the City of Boulder, and would like to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the community in a cost effective and sustainable way.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, as a finance professional, I would learn how monies have been historically allocated and approved/spent by this commission, and ensure that projects meet the responsibilities and goals of this board/commission and the community before making any recommendations, particularly given the increasing fiscal pressures on government spending and lack of resources to fund capital investments in infrastructure related to recreation in the greater Boulder area.

I would also seek to benchmark with the recreation facilities (and the varied alternative means of funding them) in other Front Range cities and counties to ensure that what Boulder invests in is comparable to, if not best in class, other nearby communities (i.e. Thornton, Arvada, Broomfield). Using this business background, I would hope to advise the city council in connection with all matters relating to investment into parks & recreation facilities ensuring long term sustainability.

Date

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2004

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado

Occupation / Major of Study Accounting

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am a mother of five children. I grew up in Lafayette and raised my children in Boulder, the youngest is 13. I have been involved in community programs and athletics my whole life.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

To support Boulder being an innovative place with strong programming and options for families and community members in Parks and Recreation.

Date

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2024

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Occupation / Major of Study Associate/Land Use Planner

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Boulder stands out as the most active and outdoor-oriented community I have lived in. Social interactions happen while trail running, catching up in the North Boulder Rec Center sauna, climbing local boulders, playing volleyball at the park, and nordic skiing in circles in North Boulder. Boulderites connect through movement and recreation, and local parks, recreation centers, and outdoor spaces cultivate a sense of community that is rare among small cities nationwide. I want to serve on PRAB to support these spaces with sustainability and community interests in mind. My educational and professional background in city planning enables me to approach parks and recreation decisions from a holistic community planning and regulatory perspective.

If appointed, I will bring a city planning background, and specifically a land use planning background to this position. In my work with Clarion Associates, I have helped rewrite and update land use and zoning codes in communities across the country. Within this line of work, I am most interested in reworking regulations that help mitigate climate change impacts on underserved communities. I am currently rewriting Denver's landscaping regulations to help rewild the city in the hopes of improving community and environmental health. This project consider regulations ranging from tree preservation standards to making landscaping review procedures more efficient for city staff. I look forward to applying my technical understanding of land use planning to this position, specifically as it relates to re:wilding and nature-based design.

I also aim to use my city planning skillset, to support equitable community engagement efforts that capture the Boulder community's preferences in parks and recreation decisions. My current role and past internship and academic experiences have been centered around community engagement. I feel passionately that residents should drive local decisions that impact these recreational spaces they love, things like recreational center amenities, facility accessibility, and park projects. I feel passionately about maintaining and enhancing Boulder's parks and recreational spaces so that these places can continue to be social sanctuaries and centers of community.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I am a nordic skier, runner, and climber. I frequent North Boulder Park following every snowfall to ski with friends and old nordic teammates. I realize North Boulder Park is being retrofitted to mitigate flooding. Additionally, I recreate in Chautauqua Park, Even G. Fine Park, Boulder Reservoir, and Valmont City Park multiple times per week. I've joined kickball teams that meet weekly to compete on local fields and have watched other intramural sports. I feel tied to this work because it directly impacts the spaces that I love to enjoy in Boulder!

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I plan to be a voice for younger recreationists who adore Boulder's parks and recreational spaces just as much as I do. I want to consider all parts of the community in PRAB decisions to support equity and accessibility within decision making scenarios. I want PRAB to prioritize environmental design that will benefit the community and preserve the natural environment in the city. I want to help Boulder's parks and recreational spaces to continue to flourish and serve the needs of the local community!

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1985

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

As a Boulder native who grew up on our trails and parks, I bring a lifelong connection to the outdoor spaces that define our community. My years running cross country and track at Fairview High School-and later coaching there after graduating from the University of Colorado-gave me a deep appreciation for how Boulder's parks support recreation, youth development, and community well-being.

I've watched our trail system evolve, especially after the 2013 flood, and I understand both its history and its ongoing needs. I'm applying to the Parks and Recreation Board because Boulder raised me, and I want to give back. I believe my long-term perspective, hands-on experience with the trail system, and commitment to responsible, community-centered stewardship will help me be an effective board member and representative.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help improve how our community uses and experiences the trails and parks in Boulder, Colorado. My goal is to support thoughtful upgrades, enhance accessibility, and ensure these spaces remain safe, sustainable, and welcoming for all users. I want our parks and trails to continue evolving in ways that strengthen community connection and preserve the outdoor character that makes Boulder unique.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Dec 1990

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Boulder Parks and Recreation Advisory Board because Boulder's parks have been part of my everyday life for the past 35 years. I've lived here that entire time and have walked my dogs and used our parks almost daily, so I understand firsthand how important these spaces are and how people actually use them.

I was also a long-time student at the Fire House Pottery lab on the hill. This was very impactful to me!

As a local business owner, I also see how much Boulder's parks matter to the city as a whole. They are a huge draw for both residents and visitors and play a real role in Boulder's quality of life and local economy. Well-maintained parks and recreation facilities benefit everyone.

I've also developed a strong appreciation for landscaping and gardening through Boulder's beautiful perennial beds and public plantings. That experience has given me respect for the planning, maintenance, and long-term care required to keep these spaces healthy and attractive.

I bring a long-term resident's perspective, practical decision-making experience, and a willingness to listen, ask questions, and represent the broader community. I would take the responsibility seriously and work to help keep Boulder's parks accessible, well cared for, and sustainable for the long term.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. I have been following Boulder Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meetings online to better understand the board's role, current priorities, and decision-making process. I am familiar with the services the department oversees and how Parks and Recreation works with city staff and the broader community. This has helped me prepare to contribute thoughtfully and be effective if appointed.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help Boulder Parks and Recreation return to the high-quality experience Boulder's parks were once known for. Boulder has long been famous for its beautiful, natural, well-maintained parks, and I would like to see that standard restored and sustained.

My goal is to support thoughtful decisions that prioritize maintenance, safety, and stewardship, so our parks remain the best on the Front Range and a source of pride for residents and visitors alike. I want Boulder's parks to feel welcoming, cared for, and reflective of the community that values them so profoundly.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 2000

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Occupation / Major of Study lawyer

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived and worked in Boulder for a generation. I have two kids, 13 and 10, that I have raised in Boulder. I have used Boulder facilities, open space, trails, parks, and all manner of life in Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to work to make the SBLL thrive and extend to serve future generations, to bring indoor tennis to Boulder families that dont join a private club, and to make our parks an amenity that makes young families want to move to Boulder.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2000

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Occupation / Major of Study Mediator and Facilitator

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to serve on PRAB to be part of how decisions are made about Boulder's parks and recreation facilities, and ensure those decisions reflect the needs of families, longtime residents, and everyday users of these community assets. As a longtime Boulder resident and mother of elementary-aged children, I bring lived experience with the City's rec centers, parks, and programs. I want to contribute to shaping a vision for our parks and rec services that is sustainable, equitable, and centered on community needs, especially as we look toward the future of the South Boulder Rec Center and other community facilities.

In recent years, PRAB has played a meaningful role in advancing community-focused outcomes and pushing for policy recommendations to reduce barriers to essential programs. But there are real challenges around balancing rising operating costs and budget shortfalls, evaluating proposed fee changes to maintain services, and guiding long-term funding and capital investment strategies for parks and rec facilities. These issues require thoughtful deliberation, community perspective, and a collaborative approach among residents, Board members, and city staff. I believe I can help the board deliberate, take in staff recommendations, advise staff, listen to the community, and facilitate a community supported direction.

I am uniquely qualified to contribute as an effective Board member because of my professional background and community engagement experience. I am a professional facilitator and trained mediator, skilled at listening to diverse perspectives, fostering constructive discussion, and helping groups navigate complex decisions. These are critical skills for a volunteer advisory board that must balance competing priorities. I hold a Master's degree in environmental policy and think about issues from a systems perspective. I have 20+ years of business consulting experience and can interpret financial, operational, and planning reports, and propose thoughtful recommendations.

I have direct experience with Boulder's civic process, having served as vice chair of the City's Environmental Advisory Board and as a volunteer mediator with the City of Boulder, where I help people navigate community concerns and find common ground. I have also volunteered as a bat monitor and prairie dog monitor for the City.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not served on PRAB, but I have extensive experience with the services it oversees as a 25-year resident of the City of Boulder. I regularly use the City's rec centers, my children participate in City camps, and my family and I frequently use Boulder's parks. These experiences as a resident and a parent help me understand how vital these facilities and programs are to families, youth, and the community. They also inform my perspective on access, affordability, program quality, and the importance of well-maintained, welcoming public spaces.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I care deeply about the long-term sustainability of Boulder's recreation centers and their role as true community hubs. Our rec centers are not just places to work out, they are critical public infrastructure that support physical health, mental well-being, youth development, and social connection across generations. Ensuring they are well-funded, well-maintained, and accessible to all residents is essential to Boulder's quality of life.

The South Boulder Recreation Center, in particular, has enormous potential to better serve the full community. I believe it should be a welcoming, affordable space for all ages, with strong after-school programming for youth, accessible opportunities for seniors, and facilities that meet the expectations residents see at comparable rec centers throughout the Front Range. Affordability is key. Cost should not be a barrier to participation, especially for families and youth who benefit most from consistent access to recreation and structured after-school services.

A high-quality aquatic facility is especially important. The pool should be well-maintained, inviting, and reliably available for lap swimming, lessons, and family use. Aquatics programming serves a wide range of users and is often one of the most visible measures of a rec center's overall health and investment. As a South Boulder resident, I wish our family could benefit from a family friendly pool with amenities like Scott Carpenter, just closer to home.

I am particularly interested in exploring diverse and sustainable funding strategies to support these goals, including partnerships, grants, phased capital investments, and creative approaches that balance fiscal responsibility with long-term community benefit. Thoughtful investment now can reduce future costs, improve user experience, and ensure the South Boulder Recreation Center is modern and well-integrated into the neighborhood it serves.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2022

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Occupation / Major of Study Product Manager

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board because I want to be more involved in my local community and contribute to decisions that directly impact residents' quality of life. Boulder's parks, trails, and recreation facilities are central to community health and connection, and I am interested in learning more about how planning and funding decisions are made at the city level. As a South Boulder resident, I am particularly motivated to advocate for the needs of South Boulder residents, including thoughtful consideration of the South Boulder Recreation Center.

I have lived in Boulder County for over 20 years and bring a long-term perspective on how the city has grown and how recreation needs have evolved. Professionally, I have extensive experience in high-level product and project management, which has strengthened my ability to evaluate complex issues, balance competing priorities, and support informed decision-making. I am comfortable diving into details when needed while also looking ahead to ensure all options and long-term impacts are considered.

I bring a collaborative, analytical, and community-focused approach and would be committed to serving as a thoughtful, engaged board member who listens carefully and represents community interests.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

My experience has primarily been personal. I have participated in the City's tennis programs, and as a South Boulder resident, I have closely followed the discussions and challenges surrounding the South Boulder Recreation Center and its potential closure.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to represent the voices of the community-particularly residents of South Boulder-by ensuring their perspectives are thoughtfully considered in board discussions and recommendations. I am especially interested in contributing to decisions regarding the future of the South Boulder Recreation Center and helping guide outcomes that best serve the long-term needs of the community. Through this service, I also hope to deepen my involvement in public service and gain a better understanding of city planning and decision-making as it relates to parks and recreation.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jul 2023

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution University of Colorado - Boulder

Occupation / Major of Study Professor

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I would like to join the Parks and Recreation board in order to help the city of Boulder serve the public more effectively and efficiently. Given the dwindling numbers of children in Boulder and the very high cost of living here, I would especially like to ensure that the city continues to provide affordable, enriching experiences for all children in the community.

If selected to join the board, I bring several areas of relevant experience.

First, I regularly conduct surveys, interviews, and focus groups in my work, so I am well-equipped to help Parks and Recreation design and analyze surveys and other forms of community engagement to learn about the needs and views of the community.

Second, I have substantial fundraising experience. I previously ran a grassroots political campaign that raised approximately \$800,000 through small donations, I have assisted my universities (my employers) in various types of fundraising, and in 2020-2021, I designed and ran an online fundraising campaign to save the local community center / recreation center in my old neighborhood in Ottawa (where I lived from 2019-2023). At present, I am also the volunteer treasurer of a professional association (a section of the American Political Science Association), which has given me further financial management experience. As Boulder faces new financial strains, I would bring a new perspective and fundraising experience to the Parks and Rec board.

Third, I collaborate effectively with diverse colleagues and stakeholders. In my work at universities throughout the US and Canada, I have taught students from more than 50 countries, and I pro-actively incorporate activities to promote inclusion and equity in all my classes. I previously also speak Spanish fluently, which helps me communicate with a wider range of people in the Boulder area.

In terms of prior experience on boards or governing bodies, I was a board member, committee member, and fundraising chair of the Ottawa South Community Association (OSCA) from 2020-2023. This was the board that ran our local community center and recreation programming in the Old Ottawa South neighborhood, where I used to live in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. We oversaw human resources issues and staff management, program development, and financial management. Within OSCA, I particularly specialized in fundraising, and I designed and implemented a grassroots online fundraising campaign to keep the community center financially viable during Ontario's lengthy

COVID lockdowns.

In Boulder, I am currently an active volunteer for two organizations: Guide Dogs for the Blind's Boulder puppy-raising club, and the Victim Advocates program at the Boulder police department. Through these two very different forms of community engagement, I have learned a lot about the needs and interests of a wide range of community residents.

Additionally, in my work as a professor, I routinely serve on a wide range of committees, including my department's budget committee, our graduate program committee, a division-wide management committee, and an anti-racism committee (at my prior university). This has given me experience running meetings efficiently, solicing input from others, and making decisions collaboratively.

In terms of prior community involvement, when I lived in Cambridge, MA from 2013-2019, I was a participatory budgeting community delegate for one year. In this role, I worked with fellow delegates to propose projects for the participatory budgeting election. This involved meeting with city officials and community leaders and learning about city management and budgeting. I found it very satisfying to develop these proposals, and I really enjoyed making a concrete contribution to the city. (In particular, a semi-protected bike lane that I helped to propose was selected in the participatory budgeting election, and the bike lane was installed and is still in operation today.) This experience motivated me to join the OSCA board in Ottawa, and it is one of the reasons I hope to join the Parks and Recreation board in Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have any direct experience with this board. However, since moving to Boulder in 2023, my family and I have frequently used the city's rec centers, outdoor pools, and parks and recreation programming, including classes for children and adults and summer day camps.

In the city where I previously lived (Ottawa, Ontario), I served on the board of my local recreation center / community center for multiple years. In this capacity, I helped them develop programming, transition to a new registration system (Amilia, also used by Boulder Parks and Rec), and conduct community consultations about a new building planned for a local park. I also designed and led a fundraising effort to keep the center afloat during COVID lockdowns, ultimately raising more than \$100,000 in a campaign to save our community center.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I would like to ensure that Boulder's excellent recreation centers and programming remain affordable, appealing, and accessible for local families.

Depending on the needs of the board, I am most interested in two areas:

a) Community outreach and feedback. Especially as the recreation centers are raising their fees and the city has adopted the new Amilia registration system, I think it's important to make sure the city is meeting the community's needs, to assess how people are using the recreation centers, and to gather data about their experiences with the online registration system. I would be happy to contribute to designing surveys, focus groups, and other forms of feedback.

b) Fundraising and financial management. I would be interested in helping the city develop new fundraising strategies (both grassroots and grant applications) to help fund parks and recreation programming.

Thank you for considering my application!

Date

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Submission Year 2025

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 2001

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 18 to 24

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Other: Living with parents

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived in Boulder pretty much my entire life, and parks and recreation services made both a large impact on my childhood and makes an impact on me today. From learning how to swim in the rec center pools, to trying different sports and activities at the rec centers from basketball to dance to gymnastics, to even having my first job at the East Boulder rec center as a camp counselor when I was 16 years old, Boulder parks and rec services have been an instrumental part of my life. Even today, I regularly use Boulder parks and rec services, such as the Mapleton softball fields, where the youth softball team I coach plays their home softball games.

Having used so many parks and rec services, and especially since they have made such a large impact on me, I wish to serve on the parks and recreation advisory board to give back to the community and help ensure these resources are just as impactful and readily available for all members of the community as they have been for me. Additionally, as a young person (as someone in their early/mid 20s), and as someone who has primarily accessed the parks and rec services as a youth, I believe I would bring a unique perspective to the board. Also, since I volunteer coach a softball team of elementary age youth, I directly see the impact that Boulder parks and rec services have on our youth, which gives me another unique perspective.

I have also had experience with boards and commissions while I was in college at CU Boulder, and this experience would help to make me a more effective member. My senior year of college, I had an internship with the Youth Advisory Panel with the City of Westminster. The Youth Advisory Panel is a group of teens that meets with local leaders and boards to learn about and advise them on issues impacting Westminster. I was in charge of communication with the partners the Youth Advisory Panel met with and assisting with meetings. This experience allowed me to learn how city advisory boards function.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have had experience with the services this board oversees, despite not having direct experience with this exact board. As someone who has used the parks and recreation services in Boulder all throughout my life, I am familiar from personal experience with many of the services this board oversees (such as the rec centers, school day off and summer camps, and sports fields such as the Mapleton softball fields). Additionally, when I was an intern with the Youth Advisory Panel in Westminster in college, one of the groups we met with was the Westminster Parks, Recreation, and Libraries Advisory Board (the Westminster equivalent of the Boulder Parks and Recreation Advisory Board), which helped me to learn some of the important roles that this board plays in the community.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to this board, I hope to continue to make sure that all of Boulder's parks and recreation services are accessible and equitable for all. I would also love to do anything I can to help improve these services while on the board. Additionally, I would love to bring a young perspective to the board about how these resources are used and how they can be improved for young people (both for people in their 20s, college students, and youth under the age of 18), since having lived in Boulder while being a young person and having connections with people who are young people, this is the age range I have the most lived experience and knowledge about. (It is also important to make sure these services are accessible to people who are not young people as well. While I have the most experience and knowledge about how these experiences are used by young people, I would love to learn about the ways in which they are utilized by other age groups and what I can do to support those age groups' experiences as well.)

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? May 2010

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Avista AdventHealth

Occupation / Major of Study Physician

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have prior non profit board experience on several governance boards. I have been a long time patron/user of the Rec centers and feel parks and rec are a vital part of our community and deserve attention and preservation.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have been a Boulder resident for 16 years and a long time user of the rec centers and parks. As I age here I feel these are vital to keeping the neighborhoods and communities healthy.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to save south Boulder rec center

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Transportation Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Michael Le Desma
2029 Carlos Villanueva
2028 Maria "Triny" Willerton
2027 Darcy Kitching
2026 Michael Mills

Occupation:

Attorney
Software Engineer
President and Founder
Transportation Demand Management practitioner/Community Eng
Atmospheric Scientist

Status:

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2019

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Movement Climbing Gyms

Occupation / Major of Study Asst. Director of Climbing Programs

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

In my full-time role with Movement Climbing Gyms, I oversee the climbing programming for six gyms across Colorado and two gyms in Chicago. Since moving to Boulder in 2019, the Movement Boulder gym at 28th Street and Valmont Road has served as the primary hub of my community and functions as a true third space where people gather not just to recreate, but to connect, share information, and engage with the city around them. Through my work at Movement, I have developed close working relationships with organizations like the Boulder Climbing Community, the Access Fund, and the American Alpine Club. In the case of the Boulder Climbing Community, I manage the memorandum of understanding between BCC and Movement, which involves coordinating shared goals, organizing outreach efforts, and maintaining an ongoing partnership that serves the local climbing community. I also volunteer as the Front Range Editor for Accidents in North American Climbing, an annual American Alpine Club publication that documents and examines climbing accidents from across North America. In that role, I review incident reports, work with contributors, and help translate real world incidents into clear, useful information for the public. This work has made me comfortable engaging with complex systems and analyzing how human factors are overwhelming the primary factor in climbing accidents, a perspective that feels directly relevant to transportation planning and policy.

Much of my professional experience centers on community engagement and public input. Currently, I am planning tabling events at Movement Boulder to gather feedback from the climbing community on how to better encourage members to use alternative transportation options such as walking, cycling, and the bus rather than driving, particularly given the limited parking available for a gym of its size. I believe that the TAB's advising to city council should be driven by data and expertise as well as the lived experiences of the community with a goal of driving what would best support a sustainable, high quality of life for residents and businesses.

My interest in transportation issues in Boulder is also informed by ongoing learning and reading. I am currently enrolled in a Coursera course, "Reclaiming the Street for Livable Urban Spaces", to gain a better understanding of what research studies exist on people-first transportation and urban development initiatives. Books such as Movement: How to Take Back Our Streets and Transform Our Lives by Thalia Verkade, Paved Paradise by Henry Grabar, and Killed by a Traffic Engineer by Wes Marshall have helped me better understand the historical, political, and economic forces that shape our city. Killed by a Traffic Engineer is especially relevant because it places an emphasis on transportation infrastructure and safety outcomes in

the greater Denver region, offering lessons that are directly applicable to Boulder. These perspectives have strengthened my ability to think critically about tradeoffs and how interconnected transportation decisions are with every other aspect of daily life.

On a personal level, I am also a regular bike commuter and rely on the bike path network throughout the city, especially the unprotected bike lanes along North 30th near where I currently live in Arbor Condominiums. Experiencing the city primarily by bicycle has given me a practical understanding of how infrastructure design, connectivity, and safety directly shape whether people feel comfortable choosing active transportation over driving. In the last month, I had experienced two near-misses while biking home Northbound along 30th near Mapleton. In both cases, it was daytime, I was wearing brightly colored clothing, and a car made an illegal right turn in front of me into a parking lot without yielding the right of way to me in the bike lane. In one of those cases, the driver did not have a turn signal on. After confronting the driver, he was very apologetic and shaken, sharing, "I am so, so sorry, I did not see you." These two instances occurred at nearly the same intersection of 30th and could have nearly ended in disaster for me. Though I'm grateful to have biked home with only a couple scratches on my bike, it is only by luck that I'm in a position to submit this application. With this, I have a renewed passion to help support the City of Boulder in its path toward its Vision Zero Action Plan and help shape a transportation network that reduces serious injuries and fatalities while improving quality of life for residents. These recent experiences have been formative in my newly gained interest in applying for the Transportation Advisory Board.

P.s. - As a tangential interest, I am an avid user of RTD to reduce my car dependency during work commutes to Denver and to the airport for work-related travel. With that, the added bonus of receiving a free EcoPass is a significant perk for me. If I am selected to join the Transportation Advisory Board, rest assured that the EcoPass will be fully taken advantage of.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I did have the opportunity to speak with Blythe Bailey, Director of Transportation & Mobility Department, who works for the city in partnership with the TAB and had a very positive conversation in gaining insight into how the TAB seeks community input on road re-designs. I unfortunately was not able to participate in the community engagement event held last Summer for the North 30th Street redevelopment plan, but I did submit my feedback during the solicitation period before the final plans were decided.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to use this opportunity as much for my own education as for service back to the community. Through engaging in conversation with various stakeholder groups, including businesses, residents, advocacy organizations, vulnerable user groups, drivers, city staff, I hope to listen, learn, and contribute to transportation decisions that are grounded in lived experience and community input. Since no proposal comes without its outspoken critics, I wish to create the space to hear their concerns and see what I can offer in return. Oftentimes, criticism can stem from a misunderstanding of the situation or a lack of knowledge of what the data and research suggests as the ideal path forward. Other times, the criticism is perfectly valid and is not being adequately taken into account, in which case I would advocate on behalf of those unheard perspectives.

If appointed to TAB, I would also hope to support stronger and more transparent communication between the City and residents around transportation planning. Online forums such as Reddit often surface frustration and a perception that the City is not listening or not clearly communicating its goals and constraints. I believe there is an opportunity to meet people where they already are by engaging in these spaces, including hosting occasional ask me anything style discussions with staff or board members to explain plans, timelines, and tradeoffs and to invite more informed community feedback.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2024

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Occupation / Major of Study Attorney

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 35 to 54

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Relevant Experience:

Experience

Corporate Counsel (Product) | Google (Boulder, CO) | July 2021 - Present

Assistant Attorney General | Washington State Attorney General's Office (Seattle, WA) | August 2019 - June 2021

Contract Attorney | Calfo Eakes & Ostrovsky (Seattle, WA) | April 2019 - August 2019

Trial Attorney | U.S. Department of Justice, Environment & Natural Resources Div. (Washington, DC) | 2014 - 2018

Special Assistant U.S. Attorney | U.S. Attorney's Office (Washington, DC) | 2014 - 2015

Law Clerk | Hon. Morgan Christen, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (Anchorage, AK) | 2013 - 2014

Narrative:

I wish to serve on the Transportation Advisory Board to apply my background in complex regulatory policy, public interest law, and transportation issues to Boulder's evolving mobility challenges. As an avid cyclist and a legal professional who has successfully defended critical public transit funding in court, I want to contribute to the rigorous analysis required to implement Boulder's Transportation Master Plan, advance Vision Zero goals, and ensure our infrastructure is safe, sustainable, and accessible for all users.

My qualifications for this position are rooted in a career spent navigating high-stakes regulatory environments and advocating for public infrastructure. A highlight of my public service career was my work as an Assistant Attorney General in Washington, where I successfully defended the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) against a class action lawsuit. In that case, I helped protect tens of millions of dollars in tax revenue essential for the region's public transit expansion. This experience gave me a deep appreciation for the complex legal and fiscal frameworks that underpin successful transit systems.

Currently, as Corporate Counsel at Google in Boulder, I manage complex compliance initiatives and lead cross-functional stakeholder groups to develop company-wide policy on AI and in other areas. This role requires balancing competing interests and

translating intricate regulations into practical operational guidance-skills directly transferable to analyzing traffic engineering studies, capital improvement budgets, and multi-modal policy. Previously, while working at a litigation firm in Seattle, I drafted legislation enacted by the City of Puyallup to more humanely address homelessness. This gave me direct insight into the legislative process and the mechanics of writing municipal ordinances-skills that are equally critical when refining city transportation code and policy.

Prior to my time in the private sector, my work as a trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice Environment & Natural Resources Division and the Washington Attorney General's Office involved managing complex litigation that often intersected with government agency decision-making. I have a track record of defending state agencies in difficult cases, which has prepared me to help the Board navigate the often contentious public process of infrastructure development.

I also bring significant "lived experience" to this role. As an avid cyclist and outdoor enthusiast, I experience Boulder's transportation network daily-not just from behind the windshield of a car, but as a vulnerable road user. In the warmer months I frequently commute to work via ebike, and I'm excited to start using the new bike lane that will connect Gunbarrel (where I live) with downtown. I understand the on-the-ground reality of protected lanes, intersection safety, and trail connectivity. I'm currently a member of the Orchard Creek Homeowner's Association Board, helping the board to navigate complex updates to our bylaws regarding property usage, which requires building consensus among residents with differing views.

I hold a J.D. from Harvard Law School and a B.A. from Stanford University. After law school I clerked for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. My combination of high-level policy strategy, direct experience defending transit funding, and a personal commitment to multi-modal transport positions me to be an effective and analytical member of the Transportation Advisory Board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on the Transportation Advisory Board. However, I have deep professional and personal experience with the services the Board oversees, specifically regarding public transit funding, municipal code enforcement, and multi-modal infrastructure.

My experience with the services this Board oversees includes:

Defending Public Transit Systems: As an Assistant Attorney General, I represented the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit). I successfully defended the agency against a class action lawsuit, protecting tens of millions of dollars in tax revenue dedicated to transit expansion. This gave me a direct, behind-the-scenes understanding of the fiscal and legal challenges involved in maintaining and expanding a large-scale public transportation network.

Drafting Municipal Code: The Board advises on policy and code changes. While working as a private attorney, I drafted municipal legislation that was enacted by the City of Puyallup. I understand the specific mechanics of how City Council ordinances are written, reviewed, and implemented—experience I would apply when the Board reviews updates to the Boulder Revised Code regarding transportation standards.

Lived Experience as a "Vulnerable Road User": I interact with Boulder's transportation services daily as a cyclist. I rely on the city's network of protected lanes, multi-use paths, and intersections. I understand intimately where our infrastructure succeeds in keeping non-automotive users safe, and where gaps remain that align with the city's Vision Zero goals.

Governance Experience: I currently serve on the Board of the Orchard Creek Homeowner's Association, where I manage community assets and navigate the consensus-building process required for local infrastructure decisions.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to translate my professional background in regulatory analysis and public service into concrete, actionable improvements for Boulder's transportation network. My goal is to help the Board provide the City Council with recommendations that are not only aspirational but legally sound, fiscally responsible, and operationally viable.

Specifically, I hope to achieve four outcomes:

1. Accelerating Vision Zero through Data-Driven Policy

As a daily cyclist, I am personally invested in the safety of our streets. However, my professional background as a trial attorney has taught me that effective regulation requires rigorous evidence. I hope to help the Board prioritize infrastructure projects that are supported by data to most effectively reduce conflicts between vehicles and vulnerable road users. I want to ensure our move toward Vision Zero is efficient and focuses resources on the highest-risk corridors.

2. Fiscal Stewardship of Transportation Assets

Drawing on my experience defending the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) in court, I understand that bold transportation goals fail without secure funding and fiscal discipline. I hope to apply that scrutiny to the Board's review of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). I want to ensure that every dollar of tax revenue is maximized to deliver projects that are sustainable and maintainable in the long term.

3. Pragmatic Code Modernization

Having drafted municipal legislation enacted by the City of Puyallup, I understand how difficult it is to translate high-level goals into enforceable city code. I hope to use this experience to help the Board review and refine the Boulder Revised Code, removing friction for multi-modal infrastructure projects. My objective is to support policy updates that make it easier, not harder, to build the connectivity required for a growing, modern city.

4. Consensus-Based Governance

Finally, I want to foster a culture of rigorous analysis. Whether we are discussing e-bike regulations or transit corridors, I hope to ensure our recommendations are stress-tested. My goal is to be a board member who listens to all stakeholders-residents, businesses, and commuters-and applies a technical lens to find the most reasonable path forward.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Feb 1999

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Helix Underwriting Partners USA

Occupation / Major of Study Insurance Underwriting

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? Two or more races

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I am exploring ways to give back to the community I have called home for over 25 years. I believe as traffic increases in Boulder, we need to find solutions that accommodate all manners of transportation delivered in an efficient manner. I have previously worked in government and found ways to deliver common sense solutions to real world problems.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I think I can apply my experience to craft sensible solutions to Boulder. I truly believe that approaching problems without a pre-determined outcome can deliver solutions that work for all of our citizens.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2018

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Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? I prefer not to say

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

- Transportation has been and will continue to be an increasingly important issue in Boulder and regionally. This also was true of Seattle, where I lived for 18 years, and in Hong Kong, where I lived for 7 years. It is a subject that I have followed closely for many years because of the impact that decisions regarding transportation can have on the community.

- Boulder needs to ensure that transportation decisions are taken by groups with balanced perspectives. It should not be pro or anti-bike, public transport, car, or whatever, but a balanced view that takes into account the combination of modes of transportation that can and must be accommodated to further community / regional priorities (mobility, congestion, pollution, convenience, safety, community, etc.).

- I have worked across a wide variety of geographies and cultures (in the US, Asia, Europe, and Latin America) across a variety of industries (consumer goods, media, technology). This experience has helped me develop my ability to listen to different points of view and to help synthesize those views/priorities in ways that allow broader groups to gain a better understanding. I also have been able to develop close, trusting relationships with different groups that then allowed me to help larger groups reach consensus more readily.

My background could be very helpful in the context of decisions where there is no one "right" answer, but rather decisions that balance a variety of competing, legitimate priorities.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not. I have, however, closely followed transportation issues in a variety of contexts (in Hong Kong, in Seattle, and here in Boulder).

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to be able to help the TAB and the City of Boulder make progress in moving transportation projects forward by helping to build consensus on the competing objectives and priorities. All decisions and projects that the TAB and the City of Boulder make and undertake will include / require compromises - there are no single right answers and there always are constraints (budgetary, execution capacity, competing priorities, etc.). I believe my experience and abilities will help the TAB and the City balance those priorities and constraints effectively and help move projects forward.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Aug 2022

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Occupation / Major of Study Ph.D. Candidate, Aerospace Engineering

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I want to serve on the Transportation Advisory Board because Boulder's transportation system shapes so much of daily life here, and I care about how people move through our city. I bike and walk for most of my trips, rely on transit to get to CU and around town, and I also drive when the trip, weather, or timing makes that the most practical option. Using the system in all of these ways has shown me what works well and where gaps make it harder for people of different ages, abilities, and neighborhoods to get around safely and reliably. I'm interested in helping the city think about these challenges at a system level while staying grounded in the lived experiences of residents, students, visitors, and commuters.

My background is in engineering and systems planning, and I'm currently a Ph.D. candidate in aerospace engineering at CU Boulder who plans to stay in Boulder after I finish my degree. My research focuses on planning and scheduling problems, which has trained me to understand complex networks, competing priorities, and the critical role of tradeoffs. Just as importantly, I have learned how to explain those tradeoffs in accessible ways. I've also led engineering teams of more than 50 people, which taught me how to bring together a wide range of perspectives, ask good questions, and help groups make decisions collaboratively. Those skills translate well to TAB's role of reviewing staff work, engaging with the community, and offering constructive, big-picture feedback.

At the same time, I know transportation is not just an engineering problem. It's about people, safety, access, and the choices we make as a community. I'm drawn to TAB because it sits at the intersection of technical analysis and public values. I want to contribute by listening carefully, understanding how different parts of Boulder experience our transportation system differently, and helping the board reflect those perspectives as we consider projects and policies.

I'm committed to supporting staff and Council by asking thoughtful questions, respecting staff expertise and time, and helping ensure that our transportation decisions reflect the needs and values of the community, especially when safety, climate goals, costs, and convenience pull in different directions. As a multimodal user who is invested in Boulder's long-term transportation future, I would bring both analytical skills and a resident's perspective to the board.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

As a four-year resident of Boulder and a regular user of our transportation system, I've had a lot of firsthand experience with the services TAB oversees. In a typical week, I bike about two hours for commuting, walk two to three hours for errands, take two or more bus trips when routes and timing allow, and drive when the trip, weather, or schedule makes that the most practical option. I also spend several hours on our paths for recreation. Using the system in all of these ways has given me a clear sense of where Boulder's network works well and where gaps make it harder for people to get around safely and reliably.

Living near 28th and Mapleton, I see very different parts of the system up close: the pedestrian-friendly areas west toward downtown, the car-oriented environment along 28th Street, and the emerging transit-focused development at Boulder Junction. Moving through these areas as a pedestrian, cyclist, transit rider, and driver has shown me how different neighborhoods experience transportation differently, and how small improvements, like a flashing crosswalk, can make a big difference for safety and comfort. I've also seen how missing links, such as bike paths that don't connect across major intersections, can make a mode effectively inaccessible for many people.

I've followed TAB discussions on projects such as the 28th Street improvements and the city's Vision Zero work, and I've watched TAB meetings and read staff materials to understand how TAB evaluates projects and provides feedback. Those conversations have helped me appreciate how TAB balances technical analysis, community input, and citywide goals. My own experience using the system every day gives me a practical perspective on how transportation decisions affect people at the neighborhood level and across the city.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help Boulder make transportation decisions that reflect both our long-term goals and the day-to-day experiences of the people who move through the city. I want to support Council and staff by asking thoughtful questions, listening carefully to community members, and helping ensure that transportation choices are grounded in safety, access, and the values laid out in the Transportation Master Plan.

As someone in a younger demographic that is becoming less common in Boulder, I also hope to bring a perspective that reflects the experiences of residents who are early in their careers and planning to build a life and family here. Many people my age want to stay in Boulder, and I've seen how transportation plays a role in whether that feels possible. I want to help make sure those needs are represented alongside the needs of older adults, families, and long-time residents.

In my own experience using the system every day, I've seen how design choices shape whether a neighborhood feels connected or difficult to navigate. On TAB, I would work to elevate those on-the-ground insights while keeping sight of citywide goals like Vision Zero, improved transit reliability, and better connections between neighborhoods. My aim is to help TAB provide clear, constructive feedback that supports staff, respects community input, and helps Boulder make transportation decisions that serve residents now and in the future.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2023

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Demographic Information

Gender

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Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I'm interested in how transportation policy and investments shape safety, access, and quality of life. As well as how that connects to the Comprehensive Plan. My background in engineering/software fits well with evaluating options, constraints, and outcomes, and I have experience translating complex systems into clear decisions and plans.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I haven't worked directly with TAB. I'm a daily transportation system user and I'm ready to learn the TMP / CEAP process and contribute thoughtfully.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Support practical, safety-focused transportation improvements and help the city prioritize projects using clear goals, tradeoffs, and measurable outcomes.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Sep 1990

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Occupation / Major of Study Atmospheric science

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to continue serving on the Transportation Advisory Board because transportation policy and multimodal safety are foundational to Boulder's livability, equity, and climate goals. Over the past two years, I have found the work deeply rewarding, and I believe I have developed the judgment, institutional knowledge, and collaborative skills necessary to help TAB provide consistent, practical guidance to City Council.

Since 2023, I have served on Community Cycles' Advocacy Committee, where I engage with diverse constituencies, strengthening my ability to understand varied perspectives and find common ground. I have garnered a deep familiarity with Boulder's transportation services, having participated in many city-led engagements on major projects like the Iris Avenue Improvement Project and having engaged in public comment on bike infrastructure design analyses.

My qualifications include professional experience in governance and technical oversight, as well as extensive community engagement on complex public issues. Before joining TAB, I served on expert governance panels in my scientific career, including weekly leadership meetings for NCAR's community climate model governance and international scientific collaboration projects. I also have a long history of community organizing and public engagement that spans activism, board service, editorial writing, and community forums.

In addition, I serve on the executive board of Boulder Progressives, where I work with a broad coalition of community members to develop policy priorities and engage constructively with city decision-making processes. That experience has strengthened my ability to listen across differences, weigh competing values, and communicate policy tradeoffs clearly, skills that are directly applicable to TAB's advisory role.

My background in scientific governance and community organizing continues to inform how I approach TAB's work: asking hard questions, grounding decisions in evidence, and navigating disagreement without losing sight of shared goals. On TAB, I strive to ask clarifying questions, support staff when appropriate, and help translate policy goals into practical guidance that can actually be implemented.

In 2025, I wrote a guest editorial in the Daily Camera titled "Vision Zero is serious and cities are proving it works," where I highlighted national evidence showing that sustained safety improvements reduce serious injuries and deaths when they are backed by design intervention and community commitment. That piece grew out of the same evidence-based approach I bring to

TAB: using data and documented outcomes to evaluate policy rather than anecdotes or assumptions. This perspective reinforces why Boulder must move beyond slogans to concrete steps on corridors where crashes most often occur.

My training, civic experience, and history of effective board-level contributions equip me to continue serving TAB as a thoughtful, informed, and committed community representative.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Yes. I have served on TAB since 2024 after being appointed to fill the remainder of a five-year term. During this tenure, I have participated in full board deliberations on the Core Arterial Network (CAN), Vision Zero implementation, parking reform, transit coordination, and design standards. I have asked clarifying questions, supported staff recommendations when they align with TAB's goals, and helped frame issues in ways that Council and the community can understand.

I have worked collaboratively with fellow board members, city staff, and community stakeholders, and I have gained a strong understanding of TAB's advisory role, the limits of its authority, and how its recommendations interact with City Council decision-making. I regularly engage with the transportation services overseen by the city and stay informed through staff materials, data presentations, and public feedback. I believe that I have an excellent working relationship with the city's current staff in the Transportation and Mobility Department, including Director Blythe Bailey and Deputy Director Valerie Watson.

In addition to board meetings, I have engaged with transportation services through public comment, community meetings, and media participation. In 2023, I appeared on Denver7 with TAB member Tila Duhaime to discuss the newly installed Baseline Road protected bike lanes. I have attended numerous public forums on transportation projects, including Iris Avenue and CDOT's Colorado 7 corridor work. I attended Boulder's World Day of Remembrance for Traffic Victims event and other community transportation gatherings. My family history includes the tragic event of my dear grandmother having to witness her own 5-year-old brother being killed by a milk truck when she was only 8 years old herself. These experiences have deepened my understanding of the transportation ecosystem TAB oversees, including where policy intersects with community expectations, safety outcomes, and equity challenges.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed to a full five-year term, I hope to help TAB continue its evolution as a credible, data-informed advisory body that advances Boulder's transportation goals in safety, sustainability, equity, and connectivity.

A central priority for me is supporting the full, timely, and effective implementation of the Core Arterial Network (CAN), so that our high-injury corridors are redesigned to protect people walking, biking, and rolling. I also want TAB to help ensure that Vision Zero is implemented in ways that produce measurable reductions in serious injury and fatality, not simply policy statements.

Another top priority is ensuring our parking management system supports multimodal access and land use goals without undermining affordability or equity. For example, I would like TAB to advance a phased effort to apply our updated bike rack standards retroactively to existing developments. Existing commercial and mixed-use areas often have very poor or no bike parking for customers, employees, and residents. A phased program to bring these locations up to modern standards would improve access, support alternative modes, and reinforce Boulder's transportation and climate goals.

I also hope to contribute to clearer community communication about transportation funding and project timelines, especially for large initiatives that can be misunderstood without context. In addition, I would like TAB to continue helping Boulder coordinate regional transit planning so that local decisions are aligned with broader Front Range mobility needs.

Overall, my goal is to ensure that TAB provides recommendations that are equitable, evidence-based, and implementable, helping Boulder navigate complex tradeoffs while advancing a transportation system that is safer, more sustainable, and more accessible for all residents.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2001

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application is considered public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA). Yes, I acknowledge

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Retired

Occupation / Major of Study Retired

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? I prefer not to say

How would you describe your annual household income? \$25,000 to \$49,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have been a regular bicycle commuter all of my adult life, including for more than 20 years in Boulder. I would like to make sure that transportation decisions in Boulder are made with the input of actual bike commuters who have a large stake in the decisions made, and have input based on actual experiences of such commuters. I had considerable management and supervisory experience, including with budgets, throughout my working career (including 16 years at NCAR).

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

Not with this board. Most certainly with the services it oversees.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Help make sure that the city continues to support bicycle commuting, and to improve on the current situation.

Date

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Transportation Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Mar 1998

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Vantor Holdings Inc.

Occupation / Major of Study Software Engineer

Demographic Information

Gender Man | Man

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? I prefer not to say

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

Boulder has been my home for my entire life, and serving on the Board would be both an honor and a wonderful opportunity to support my community. Growing up here, I have engaged with our transportation infrastructure in every possible way, from busing to bike lanes. My friends and family also utilize the transportation system, but unfortunately, multiple have been injured by vehicles. As a member of the board, I would have vested interest in improving the safety of Boulder and realizing Vision Zero.

While I majored and work in computer science, I have always been fascinated by city-building and how transportation decisions can shape cities. In my spare time, I have read many books on transportation issues and philosophies, and I truly enjoy thorough discussions on the topic, which my coworkers gently tease me about. At my job, my team regularly engages in long and thorough discussions about our systems to devise solutions to problems. We balance the time to implement, cost, and quality of the solution based on the situation. Additionally, I lead a community group dedicated to UI development, including managing a shared code library, running meetings, and supporting individual members of the community. These are all experiences that would help me fulfill my role on the Transportation Advisory Board where. I hope to support, engage with, and give back to the people of Boulder.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have attended multiple Transportation Advisory Board meetings and used multiple facilities managed by the Transportation and Mobility department. Throughout my K-12 education and attending CU Boulder, I regularly commuted using the bus system, as well as walking, biking, and driving around Boulder. I invested in an e-bike last year and have been biking even more since then, even generally forgoing my car when traveling in Boulder.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I have many ideas that I think could have a positive impact in both bringing Boulder closer to its Vision Zero goal and creating a more thriving, people-first community. These are some ideas that I would particularly focus on.

I would like to help establish a community-oriented, small capital change trial process, or, if such a process exists, work to make it more well-known to the public. This could allow for small trials of changes before the city/community commits to a more permanent change. Ideally, there would be a small group of city staff who would work with communities to identify small issues that could be somewhat improved with simple changes. These changes need not be the best solution, but they should be cheap and give some basic idea of the viability of a more permanent change.

Another idea is to expand the reactive response of the city to crashes involving a vehicle. Currently, the city uses crash hotspot data to prioritize high-incident intersections and makes changes to those intersections based on current best practices. I would like to expand this process to evaluate crashes themselves, investigating how the infrastructure may have contributed to particular crashes and what changes can be made to reduce or remove the risk of a similar accident happening again.

I understand that I may not be able to fully realize such processes in my limited time, but I believe even the beginnings of such a process could create engagement by the community, leading to a more community-oriented Boulder.

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Boulder City Council

2025 Boards and Commissions Appointment Guide

Water Resources Advisory Board

Council Action Requested:

Seat #1 - Appoint member to 5 year term through 3/31/2031

Current Members:

2030 Joel Smith
2029 Kathryn Bridges
2028 Katherine Halama
2027 Barbara (Amy) Broughton
2026 Steve Maxwell

Occupation:

Environmental Consultant
Data Analytics
Consultant
Semi-retired

Status:

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Occupied

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Water Resources Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jan 2014

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution Integral Consulting

Occupation / Major of Study Environmental Consultant

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 55 to 64

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

My Ph.D in water resources engineering and my 30-year career in environmental consulting provide me the technical expertise to support the WRAB. In addition to facing and solving environmental and water resource technical matters, these matter frequently involve stakeholder, regulatory, budgetary, and/or legal concerns that I must consider in providing my clients with the best advice.

I currently serve as the board chair for the Growing Gardens, a Boulder non-profit focused on regenerative farming, food insecurity, and education. In my role as chair, I lead the meetings and guide the board discussions around finances, legal, and larger organizational management issues to achieve sound decisions to guide the organization's leadership.

I want to bring my technical, strategic, and leadership experience to WRAB to support the city of Boulder in making the best management decisions around multiple challenges including water and wastewater utility issues (e.g., operations, infrastructure improvement, rate structure), flooding, water supply, growth, and best serving Boulder residents. I have lived in Boulder for 14 years, I know that this is a great city faced with both typical and unique urban challenges, and I would like to be part of maintaining or bettering the city services and management.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

No

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I have multiple goals should I have the opportunity to serve on the WRAB. I want to better understand the site-specific hydrology and flooding risks around the city to support decision making in this area, my area of expertise. I want to understand the spectrum of water resources and utility issues, both immediate and long-term, that the city needs to manage to ensure a continued and safe water supply. I want to offer my voice, together with fellow WRAB members, on the issues before the WRAB to support City Council, the Planning Board and city staff in their decision making.

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Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Water Resources Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Jun 1987

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Place of Employment / Higher Education Institution retired

Occupation / Major of Study law

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 65 and over

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$150,000 a year or more

Do you own or rent your home? Own

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I have lived and worked in Boulder for decades.

I was a practicing lawyer for 40 years, almost of all of it in Colorado, and almost of it working for environmental government agencies or non-profit organizations, primarily focused on water issues, both quality and quantity. For example, I started my career in Colorado in the Natural Resource Section of the Office of the Attorney General, where I represented the Water Quality Control Division and Commission, the State Engineer, and the Water Conservation Board for its instream flow program. While I also spent a year teaching at the University of Denver Law School, a term as a Congressional Committee staffer in DC, and a stint with the Rocky Flats Clean Up contractor, the rest of my career I spent at three environmental organizations (Environmental Defense Fund, Trout Unlimited and the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership) and as a consultant to these NGOs. The last two decades of my work, I focused on Colorado River water management issues and trying to maintain strong water quality regulation at the state and federal level. I've taught senior education short courses on western water law and the Colorado River the last two years, and will teach again in the fall.

I have been an active volunteer and currently serve on the Boulder Jewish Community Center Board. I always try to be on at least one volunteer board, in addition to my other volunteer activities.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I do not have direct experience with this Board. I used to interact regularly with City of Boulder staff and consultants on water quality regulatory matters. My Colorado River work often put me in contact with Northern Water staff and board members.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

Boulder must maintain and adapt its current robust water portfolio to ensure continued supplies as the Front Range grows and Colorado experiences additional aridification. In addition, with the loss of federal interest in small western streams, and the state's recent adoption of a regulatory scheme to protect those waters from the adverse effects of some development, Boulder's streams require ever-more thoughtful protection from water quality degradation. I would hope that, as a member of the Water Resources Advisory Board, I could bring my vast experience to bear in making recommendations to City staff and Council to keep Boulder's streams healthy and its water supply portfolio resilient for a dryer, less stable future.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Water Resources Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Oct 2024

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**Place of Employment / Higher
Education Institution**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Occupation / Major of Study

Physical Scientist / BA in Environmental Studies with a concentration in Public Policy; minor in Geological Science; MS in Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$100,000 to \$149,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Water Advisory Board because my work and academic studies have shown me how critical water is to everything that surrounds us-our ecosystems, public health, and community resilience. As Boulder continues to develop and advance, I want to contribute to ensuring we are doing so smartly and not taking more than we can replenish. I'm passionate about sustainable practices like zero waste and particularly interested in how industries can recycle and reuse water. Serving on the board would allow me to apply my expertise directly to local water management challenges and help shape policies that protect this essential resource for future generations.

My academic foundation includes a BA in Environmental Studies with a concentration in public policy and a minor in geological science, along with an MS in Geographic Information Systems. This interdisciplinary training has equipped me to analyze complex water resource issues from multiple perspectives-understanding both the scientific principles governing water systems and the policy frameworks needed to protect them.

For the past 5 years, I have been serving as an inspector and case developer for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, where I regulate compliance with the Clean Water Act. While my views are my own and not a reflection of the agency, this role has given me expert knowledge in federal water regulations, particularly stormwater and wastewater management. I routinely conduct site inspections, assess water quality impacts, develop enforcement cases, and work with regulated entities to achieve compliance. This experience has deepened my understanding of both the technical and regulatory aspects of water protection, as well as the practical challenges communities and stakeholders face in meeting water quality standards.

My GIS expertise enables me to analyze watershed dynamics, identify pollution sources, and visualize water-related data in ways that support informed decision-making. Combined with my geological science background, I can assess how water moves through natural and built environments and anticipate potential water quality or quantity issues.

I am committed to collaborative, transparent governance that balances environmental protection with community needs. I bring strong analytical skills, regulatory knowledge, and a genuine passion for water stewardship that would contribute to the board's mission of protecting and managing our local water resources effectively.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

I have not previously served on or worked directly with this Board, but I am deeply familiar with the services and infrastructure it oversees through my daily work at the EPA. My role requires me to inspect wastewater treatment plants, MS4s (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems), pretreatment facilities, construction stormwater sites, and industrial stormwater operations. I have reviewed countless stormwater management plans, made compliance determinations, diagnosed ineffective wastewater treatment processes, and reviewed and approved engineering evaluations for plant upgrades and stormwater best management practices.

This hands-on experience has given me comprehensive knowledge of how water systems function, where they commonly fail, and what solutions are most effective. I understand the operational, financial, and regulatory challenges that water utilities and municipalities face, as well as the technical requirements needed to protect water quality. While I haven't served on this specific Board, my professional experience has prepared me to understand the complex water management issues Boulder faces and to contribute informed, practical perspectives to the Board's decision-making process.

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

If appointed, I hope to help the Board navigate Boulder's water challenges with both scientific rigor and practical solutions. Specifically, I want to contribute to:

Sustainable growth management - As Boulder continues to develop, I want to ensure our water infrastructure and policies can support that growth without depleting our resources. This means thinking critically about water demand, conservation strategies, and how we balance development with long-term water availability.

Promoting water reuse and efficiency - I'm particularly interested in advancing industrial water recycling programs and identifying opportunities for water reuse across different sectors. My experience reviewing treatment systems and best management practices positions me to help evaluate and promote innovative approaches to water conservation.

Bridging technical expertise with community needs - Water policy can be highly technical, but the decisions we make affect everyone. I want to help translate complex water science and regulatory requirements into clear, accessible information that empowers community members to understand and engage with water management decisions.

Proactive problem-solving - My work diagnosing system failures and compliance issues has taught me to identify problems before they become crises. I hope to bring that forward-thinking approach to the Board, anticipating challenges related to climate change, aging infrastructure, and evolving water quality standards.

Ultimately, I want to contribute to ensuring Boulder has clean, reliable water for generations to come while supporting responsible development and environmental stewardship.

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Submission Year 2026

Introduction

Board or Commission Applying For Water Resources Advisory Board

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes

Do you reside within Boulder City limits? Yes

When did you become a resident of Boulder? Apr 2022

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Occupation / Major of Study Director

Demographic Information

Gender Woman | Woman

What is your age range? 25 to 34

Which race or ethnicity do you identify with most? White

How would you describe your annual household income? \$50,000 to \$99,999 a year

Do you own or rent your home? Rent

Standard Questions

1. Why do you wish to serve on the board or commission, and what qualifications, skill sets and relevant experiences do you have for this position (such as lived experience, education, training, service on governing or decision-making boards, etc.) that would contribute to you being an effective board member and community representative?

I wish to serve on the Water Resources Advisory Board because I believe water is not just a utility, it's a foundational commons that shapes the future of our region's resilience, equity, and ecological health. As someone deeply engaged in Boulder's civic life, I bring a systems-level understanding of how water policy intersects with land use, housing, climate resilience, wildfire risk, and economic development.

I have a background in biology and systems thinking, and I approach public service through a lens of interdisciplinary problem-solving and long-term stewardship. Through my work with local initiatives, ranging from housing and cultural infrastructure to civic innovation, I've facilitated complex stakeholder collaborations, led public convenings (such as TEDxBoulderSalons), and built coalitions around practical, forward-looking solutions. I've also worked closely with community members on climate and infrastructure issues, and have supported governance models that promote inclusive dialogue, data-informed planning, and accountability. I volunteer on political campaigns and am learning from political consultants for complex social impact projects.

My skill set includes public facilitation, policy research, civic engagement strategy, and a track record of translating community values into actionable priorities. I believe I can offer a thoughtful, future-oriented perspective that balances innovation with environmental responsibility, and individual needs with collective well-being.

In an age of growing scarcity and climate volatility, water management is no longer a niche concern-it is the keystone issue around which economic development, environmental justice, and public health revolve. Stewarding it wisely is the most urgent collective challenge we face.

2. Have you had any experience(s) with this Board or the services it oversees?

no

3. If appointed, what do you hope to achieve through your service on this board/commission?

I hope to elevate public understanding of water as a shared, interdependent resource that underpins nearly every other policy challenge we face-from housing and energy to land use and public health. My goal is to help guide smart, transparent, and inclusive decisions that support long-term sustainability, improve watershed stewardship, and protect access and quality for all Boulder residents.

Through my service on the board, I hope to advance policies and decisions that reflect the full, interdependent role water plays in Boulder's future. I want to help the community recognize water not just as an environmental concern, but as a foundational resource that underlies nearly every other priority. My aim is to contribute to decisions that are not only technically sound, but also transparent, inclusive, and grounded in long-term and systems thinking.

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