

Boards & Commissions Application



I am interested in serving on the following boards/commissions. (Please indicate the order of preference).

1. Environmental Performance Standards Advisory Com 2. _____

As an applicant/member of a Council-appointed Board or Commission, your name, address, and phone number will be available to the press and public. Information will be kept on file for three years. Public discussion of information contained herein may occur in the meeting at which appointments are considered by the City Council.

☒ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss. ☐ Dr. (Please type or print clearly)

Name: Keller Mark Date: 10/05/16
(Last) (First) (M.I)

Home Address: 5 North Willow Street, Harrisonburg **Zip Code:** 22802

Phone Number: 540-820-4387 **Alternate Phone:** _____

Occupation: Pastor **Employer/Organization:** Harrisonburg Mennonite Church

E-mail: mkeller123@gmail.com **Harrisonburg resident for** 22 **years.**

Were you referred by anyone: ☒ Yes ☐ No **Name of Referring Party:** Charlotte Shristhi

How did you hear about volunteering on a board or commission? ☐ Cable ☐ Website ☐ Council Meeting
☒ Other: City Council

Why do you wish to serve on a board or commission?

The congregation in which I am a pastor has as a core value responsible care for the environment. We believe care of the environment is an responsibility of people of our faith and that God has asked humans to be good stewards of the creation.

Our congregation has an active Creation Care Group (CCG) of which I am the church pastor staff representative. The Harrisonburg Mennonite Church CCG lists our values to be:

- Respect for God's creation
- Restoration of God's creation
- Pursuit of creation friendly lifestyles
- Respect for those with diverse views

What relevant experience or education do you have to this board or commission?

I was a senior administrator, Education Director, of a international development mission in Nepal, United Mission to Nepal. A part of that role was to do strategic planning according to the values of the organization which included environmental restoration and care. I participated creation development project plans goals, values and intended outcomes. It was understood that community participation and ownership of any initiative was vital. Further, it was understood that the process of implementation of any initiative in a community was a major factor in the benefit to the stakeholders.

What other interests or concerns do you have regarding the community?

I have interest in the ways that we incarcerate offenders and efforts to restore them to productive community members.

I am interested in the positive integration of immigrants into our community. Respect for human dignity produces health, peace and prosperity for us all.

Please list any past or present community involvement e.g. City Council, Board and Commissions, Citizen Academy, etc. in Harrisonburg or elsewhere:

I have not been involved in any government community committee. Most of my efforts in building community have been through our church congregation.

-Please return completed application to the City Manager's Office-

Applicants are encouraged to attach a resume or other supporting information that may be helpful to Council in considering their application.

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**Supplemental Questions for Environmental Performance Standards Advisory Committee (EPSAC)
Application**

- 1) The EPSAC will be meeting up to once per month. Meetings will typically take place between 5-7pm. Are you typically available during these times? ☒ Yes ☐ No

- 2) City Council is seeking EPSAC members to represent broad stakeholder interests within the city. If you will be participating on the EPSAC as a representative of a business, group, or organization, please provide the name of the business, group, or organization and indicate what stakeholder category the group represents. If more than one, please list all.
 - A. Residents, civic leagues, homeowners associations.
 - B. Institutional and tax exempt entities including colleges and churches.
 - C. Business community including residential, commercial and industrial property owners, malls, and business groups.
 - D. Professional engineers, real estate developers, and construction contractors.
 - E. Special interest groups that represent economic development, environmental or outdoor recreation.
 - F. Others, education professionals from the local schools and city staff

Business, Group, or Organization Name	Category
<i>Example X Homeowners Association</i>	<i>A</i>
Resident	A
Church	B