

Boards & Commissions Application



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

1. Economic Development Authority
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)
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(Last) (First) (M.I.)
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Occupation: Program Manager Employer/Organization: Serco Inc.
E-mail: michael.goertzen@serco-na.com Harrisonburg resident for 13 years.
Were you referred by anyone: ☒ Yes No Name of Referring Party: Brian Skull

How did you hear about volunteering on a board or commission? Cable Website Council Meeting
Other: email inquiry

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

Employing well over 100 people in Harrisonburg, I am keenly interested in all areas of economic development and collaborative growth. The EDA would provide me with opportunity to be more aware of development initiatives and actively participate in advancement of all the city has to offer.

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

I have a BA in Natural Science and an MBA with emphasis in innovation, along with numerous additional areas of education and certification including my BMP. I also have experience leading complex businesses especially in the areas of Intellectual Property and STEM related endeavors. I also have served on multiple boards and advisory committees, including board leadership.

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

I am heavily invested in the success of our community. I am an active member of Spotswood CC, Shen. Valley Bicycle Coalition, Shen. Valley Tech. Council, and support numerous philanthropic organizations that serve our community. I have also served on GoVA Region 8 Council since inception.

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

Shen. Valley Tech Council (VP, Pres.)
North Corridor Advisory Committee
Explore More Discovery Museum Advisory Board
STEM Education Alliance
Golden Key Honor Society
Beta Gamma Sigma
Shen. Valley Bicycle Coalition
Go VA Region 8 Council (Diversity Commission)

-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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