

Boards & Commissions Application



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

- 1. Board of Zoning Appeals 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: Jenkins Thomas E Date: 11/12/2014
(Last) (First) (M.I)

Home Address: 375 East Wolfe Street Harrisonburg, VA 22802 Zip Code: 22802

Phone Number: 540-236-2001 Alternate Phone: 540-437-9000

Occupation: Business Owner Employer/Organization: Shenandoah Bicycle Company

E-mail: tj@shenandoahbicycle.com Harrisonburg resident for 23 years.

Were you referred by anyone: Yes No Name of Referring Party: Deb Fitzgerald

How did you hear about volunteering on a board or commission? Cable Website Council Meeting
 Other: Friend, familiar with City Boards

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

I think it is very important for people to volunteer and be involved in there community as much as possible. Serving on a board or commission is great way for me to help the City, be involved with our community and continue my education on the processes that make a city function.

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

My college degree in Accounting has always proven helpful with the understanding of economics which I believe is useful for any board or commission. My 15 years experience as a business owner in the City of Harrisonburg also gives me an understanding of businesses in the City. Working in a retail enviroment provides me with daily opportunities to talk residents and those visiting our City. My previous experience with local and regional organization has help me learn to work with others and work in a team enviroment.

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

I am very interested in how our community and City develops and plans for the future. Many of the decisions that are made today can have a long term impact on our City, the residents and those visiting the area. I am concerned with long term planning and believe all factors need to be evaluated when making decisions. I am interested in outdoor recreation and other opportunities that provide residents with an option and ability to get outside. The more opportunities that are provided for residents to be outdoors will help create healthy and involved community. I believe well rounded education, from early years through College and beyond, is very important to a community. Our investment in education is one of the most important ways we can invest in the development of the next generation.

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

- Past chair and member of the Harrisonburg Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee
- Advocacy Coordinator for the Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Coalition
- Member of the JMU Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Member of the North End Greenway Advisory Committee
- Treasurer of the Harrisonburg Downtown Retail Merchants
- Past member of the Bicycle Advisory Committee for the Central Shenandoah Planning District
- Assistant coach for the Shenandoah Valley United Soccer

-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.

345 S. Main Street, Room 201, Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Tel:(540)432-7701 **Fax:**(540)432-7778 **E-mail:**Erica.Kann@harrisonburgva.gov