

Commission for Women

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Applicant	Date	Address	Contact	Status
Emily Eckert	9/22/2024	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.): Yes		Validated
Allison Heiser	8/31/2024	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.): Yes		Validated

Emily Eckert

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Status		Board	Vacancies	Status
Name	Emily Eckert	Commission for Women	1	Contested (Incumbent)
Application Date	9/22/2024			
Expiration Date	3/22/2025			
Board Member	Emily Eckert			
Status	Validated			

Basic Information

Name
Emily Eckert

Date of Birth
REDACTED

Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)

Yes

Email
REDACTED

Phone
REDACTED

Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)
Upstream USA

Job Title
REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member

Current Member

If current member, please list the board:

Commission for Women

What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Citizen

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

Yes (Enter How Long), 5 years

Statement of Interest

I would like to renew my term on the Alexandria Commission for Women. Over the last three years, I have been a very engaged member -- planning and participating in events, liaising with members of City Council, etc. Serving on the Commission is very rewarding for me, both as a member of the community and also as an individual who works both personally and professionally on a variety of issues of importance to women.

Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes (Please explain), I was first appointed to the Alexandria Commission for Women in October of 2021

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

Yes

Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

Attendance Requirements: Sec. 2-4-7 of the City Code requires appointees to attend at least 75% of the yearly committee meetings. Absences may be excused because of personal illness or serious illness of members of the immediate family, death of a family member, unscheduled business trips and emergency work assignments only. All other absences are recorded as unexcused. In light of the aforementioned statement, will you be able to attend at least 75% of the regular meetings of the board which you may be appointed?

Yes

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?

Yes

Educational Background

MS, Health Policy BA, Women's Studies and English

Summary of Work and Experience

I have worked in women's health policy and advocacy for 10 years, mostly in the non-profit space.

References - Please list names, phone number and/or email addresses of three references that support your application.

REDACTED

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Gender

REDACTED

Sexual Orientation

REDACTED

Ethnicity

REDACTED

Do you have a disability?

REDACTED

How did you hear of this vacancy?

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Allison Heiser

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Status

Name	Allison Heiser
Application Date	8/31/2024
Expiration Date	3/3/2025
Board Member	Allison Heiser
Status	Validated

Board	Vacancies	Status
Commission for Women	1	Contested

Basic Information

Name	Allison Heiser
Date of Birth	REDACTED

Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)

Yes

Email

REDACTED

Phone

REDACTED

Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)	Booz Allen Hamilton
Job Title	REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member
New Applicant

What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)
Citizen

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.
Yes (Enter How Long), 2.5 years

Statement of Interest
To the Selection Committee, I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in joining the City Commission on Women. With a deep commitment to advancing gender equity and considering the needs of all women in our city, I am eager to contribute to the commission's vital work providing advice and consultation to City Council on issues concerning women. My background in working with the Department of Defense, and experiencing policies and cultures that do not always consider gender perspectives, and my work with international Allies and partner nations promoting gender equality through Women, Peace, and security initiatives, have reinforced my passion and commitment for being an advocate for women in my own community. My consulting experience has also equipped me with a comprehensive understanding of the challenges women face, as well as the skills needed to address these issues effectively. I have had the privilege of working on various initiatives aimed at improving women's access to resources, including as part of the Advisory Committee to the Booz Allen Women's Community, as a Board Member of the Latin American Forum, and in integrating Women, Peace, and Security initiatives into the U.S. Department of Defense engagements with its Allies and partners. These experiences have honed my ability to analyze complex issues, collaborate with diverse stakeholders, consider key components of intersectionality (e.g., race, socio-economic background), and develop actionable solutions. I am particularly passionate about women's healthcare access, domestic violence prevention, and workplace equality. As an individual currently undergoing fertility treatment in today's political climate, I believe that by focusing on healthcare access (including mental health resources), we can create meaningful, lasting change that benefits not only women but the entire community. My goal is to leverage my skills in strategic planning and analysis to support the commission's efforts to provide the best possible advice to City Council. What excites me most about this opportunity is the potential to work alongside a dedicated group of individuals who share a commitment to gender equity. I am eager to bring my unique perspective and experience to the table. I am confident that my background, combined with my dedication to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment, will allow me to contribute effectively to the commission's mission. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to the important work of the Commission on Women. Sincerely, Allison Heiser

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No

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No

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No

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Yes

Please explain relation and capacity:
My husband is a citizen committee member of the Sister Cities Committee (Dundee, Scotland and Helsingborg, Sweden)

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Yes

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Yes

Educational Background

M.A., International Affairs, King's College London, 2023 B.A. Economics, Public Policy, Spanish, Vanderbilt University, 2010

Summary of Work and Experience

I have worked at Booz Allen Hamilton for 14 years as a strategic planner and program manager, focusing on security cooperation and international affairs. I lead a portfolio of over 100 Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on diverse programs, including those supporting the U.S. Department of Defense. My previous roles include leading a diverse workforce of 420+ in Europe, managing \$96M per year in funding, and providing security cooperation expertise to NATO, U.S. European Command, and U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM). I have successfully driven policy and program improvements, conducted gap analyses, and developed key strategic documents. I hold a Master's in International Affairs from King's College London and a Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification. My expertise spans data management, strategic planning, and stakeholder coordination, with advanced proficiency in relevant data analytics software and tools.

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