

# Environmental Policy Commission

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Applicant	Date	Address	Contact	Status
Erik Michael Fessler	11/29/2024			Validated
Dr David Hole	1/31/2025	Yes, I am a resident of 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		Validated
Perrin Krisko	1/13/2025	Yes, I am a resident of 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		Validated

Status		Board	Vacancies	Status	Actions
Name	Erik Michael Fessler	Environmental Policy Commission	1	Contested	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application Date	11/29/2024				
Expiration Date	6/29/2025				
Board Member	Erik Michael Fessler				
Status	Validated				

Basic Information	Contact Information	Occupation
Name Erik Michael Fessler	Yes, I am a resident of 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.) No	Employer (student and youth applicants list school) Global Electronics Council
Date of Birth REDACTED	Email REDACTED	Job Title REDACTED
	Phone 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

How long have you lived in Alexandria?

2 years (since March 2022)

Statement of Interest

As a resident of Alexandria and a communications professional with a deep commitment to sustainability, I am excited to apply for a citizen seat on the City of Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission. My career has been dedicated to fostering awareness, driving education, and building engagement around environmental issues. I believe these experiences align closely with the objectives of the council and Alexandria’s Environmental Action Plan 2040. I feel a particular affinity for Goal 10: Implementation, Education, and Outreach. Throughout my career, I have led successful campaigns and initiatives to inform and inspire diverse audiences. At the Global Electronics Council, I manage outreach programs that have contributed to significant environmental impacts, including reductions of over 317 million metric tonnes of greenhouse gasses through the EPEAT electronics ecolabel. This work has required building partnerships, tailoring messages for varied stakeholders, and ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in all communications. Living in Alexandria, I have been proud to see our city lead in environmental stewardship. Alexandria’s environmental initiatives, including the efforts to clean up our waterfront and the work that’s been done to make our city safer for cyclists, have directly improved my life. I would be honored to give back by lending my expertise to advise the city in future environmental initiatives, community education efforts, and city outreach plans. I see joining the Environmental Policy Commission as an opportunity to give back to my city and to collaborate with others who share my passion for sustainable living. Together, I believe we can make Alexandria a model for environmental policy and community-driven action. I look forward to seeing Alexandria continue its leadership in environmental policy and want to assist in any way possible.

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

No

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

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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**

I earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Entrepreneurship from North Carolina State University, where I cultivated skills in strategic planning, innovation, and stakeholder engagement. During my undergraduate studies, I worked to co-found an undergraduate chapter of Net Impact, collaborating closely with the graduate MBA chapter to advance student-led initiatives in sustainability and social responsibility. To deepen my understanding of sustainable practices, I completed a certification in Permaculture Fundamentals through NC State's Horticulture Department. This course emphasized ecological design principles, fostering my ability to integrate sustainability into practical solutions—a skill directly relevant to Alexandria's environmental goals. Additionally, I pursued graduate studies in Architecture at NC State's Track III program, where I completed a year of coursework. While I ultimately chose a different career path, this experience enhanced my knowledge of urban planning, design, and the built environment—key areas that intersect with Alexandria's sustainability efforts and environmental action planning.

### **Summary of Work and Experience**

As a seasoned marketing and communications professional with over a decade of experience, I bring a specialized perspective to advancing Goal 10 of Alexandria's Environmental Action Plan 2040: Implementation, Education, and Outreach. My current role as Manager of Marketing and Outreach at the Global Electronics Council has equipped me with expertise in designing and executing impactful campaigns to educate diverse audiences on sustainability issues and drive meaningful action. Key accomplishments include: • Leading communications for the EPEAT Type 1 ecolabel, a program credited with reducing over 317 million metric tonnes of greenhouse gasses and saving 726 million megawatt-hours of energy. • Designing public-facing campaigns and events to promote sustainable technology, such as GEC's recent seminar at Climate Week NYC. • Managing media relations and securing coverage to amplify environmental initiatives globally. • Revamping digital communications strategies to increase engagement, including SEO improvements, targeted email campaigns, and newsletter innovations. Additionally, I've demonstrated a strong commitment to public education through creative content development and stakeholder engagement, ensuring accessibility and resonance across communities. My leadership in promoting equity and inclusion in workplace initiatives further reflects my ability to foster collaborative and impactful outreach efforts. With this background, I am eager to contribute to Alexandria's environmental goals by leveraging my skills in communication, education, and stakeholder engagement to inspire sustainable practices within our community.

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

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### **Gender**

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### **Sexual Orientation**

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### **Ethnicity**

REDACTED

### **Do you have a disability?**

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### **How did you hear of this vacancy?**

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# Dr David Hole

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Status		Board	Vacancies	Status	Actions
Name	Dr David Hole	Environmental Policy Commission	1	Contested	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application Date	1/31/2025				
Expiration Date	8/31/2025				
Board Member	David Hole				
Status	Validated				

## Basic Information

Name  
Dr David Hole

Date of Birth  
REDACTED

## Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of 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

Email  
REDACTED

Alternate email  
REDACTED

Phone  
REDACTED

## Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)  
Conservation International

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

How long have you lived in Alexandria?  
10 years

Statement of Interest  
Born in the UK, I'm a US citizen and have lived in the US since 2007 and in the City of Alexandria since 2012. Much of my career thus far has been in international conservation and development. Coming from an environmental science background (I have a PhD in ecological genetics) my work over the past 10 years has increasingly focused on climate change – from global modeling of its impacts to developing regional-to-local scale solutions, that all use nature to help local communities both mitigate and adapt to climate change. Given the breadth of the climate challenge, it means I have had the privilege to work across a wide range of environmental issues – from water (both too much and too little) to threatened species conservation to food security and farming. I have worked on the pure research side (in the lab and in the field), through now to organizational strategy, management and high-level communications and advocacy. Key to the success of my work, or that of the teams I've managed – and the diverse organizations I have worked for over the years (from academia to government to NGOs) – has been to rigorously connect and translate environmental science to inform policy, and thus support behavior change on-the-ground. One of the many lessons I have learned along the way, is that process must be a partnership – between scientists, policymakers and the local communities they serve – for it to deliver equitable and durable outcomes. Simply put – while I will continue to work across the globe in international conservation and development, I would also now relish the chance to engage at the local level – supporting and serving my community – where the results are truly tangible and benefit the City of Alexandria and its surrounds – the people and place where I am fortunate to live. I strongly believe the experience I have – both deeply technical in terms of expertise across multiple environmental issues, but also on the policy 'translation' side – means I am in an excellent position to serve the Environmental Policy Commission of Alexandria City with humility and energy.

Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?  
No

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?  
No

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

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Yes

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Yes

**Educational Background**

PhD in Ecological Genetics (Oxford University, UK); MSc in Ecology (Durham University, UK); BSc in Biology (Lancaster University, UK)

**Summary of Work and Experience**

25+ years working in academia, government and then NGOs in environmental science, policy and strategy; 16 years working at Conservation International (based in Arlington, VA) in the science division, and as a Vice President leading teams of 15+ scientists since 2018. I've worked during my career in labs, significant experience working in the field (temperate - UK and Europe and tropics - South America and Africa) all the way up to United Nations conventions (UNFCCC and CBD). Broad and deep technical expertise across a wide range of environmental issues.

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Status

**Name** Perrin Krisko

**Application Date** 1/13/2025

**Expiration Date** 8/13/2025

**Board Member** [Perrin Krisko](#)

**Status** Validated

Board	Vacancies	Status	Actions
<a href="#">Environmental Policy Commission</a>	1	<span>Contested</span>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Basic Information

**Name**  
Perrin Krisko

**Date of Birth**  
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Contact Information

**Yes, I am a resident of 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

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Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

**Job Title**  
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**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

**How long have you lived in Alexandria?**  
37 months (~3 years)

**Statement of Interest**  
Dear Members of the Alexandria Environmental Policy Advisory Commission: First and foremost, I will express my personal interest to volunteer on the Environmental Policy Advisory Commission. I have always been very tied to community service, which has translated to my career as a public servant. For much of my young adult life, I was housing insecure and often experienced homelessness. So, when I had the opportunity to move permanently to Alexandria, fostering a “home” in this community was very sacred to me. For the last couple of years since I moved here, I built my community in small ways—things like organizing Halloween gourd hunts for South Lee Street, knitting my neighbors hats, and baking them breads. I genuinely love giving back to my community, which is why I am very interested in contributing my expertise in environmental policy in a more meaningful way. I currently work for the EPA as an Environmental Policy Analyst and I am a lead rule writer for two of the Agency’s ozone protection programs. I have won two awards in my first year of working there and have been highly regarded by my supervisors. Before that, I spent three years as a researcher for various federal and academic institutions, including NASA, Climate and Health Institute, and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Perhaps most notably, I worked as a Fulbright researcher in Nepal collecting original air quality data. I am an expert at interpreting technical and complex environmental and public health data and communicating it to diverse audiences, as evidenced through my work as a Park Ranger with the National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management. I also bring a suite of GIS, regulatory, and risk analysis skills to this position. I am eager to apply these assets and share them with the Commission because I strongly believe that climate action happens at the local level and I am passionate about building our entire community’s climate resiliency, especially including those that are disproportionately affected by flooding, poor air quality, and other environmental health demands. Thank you for considering my application. I would be honored to contribute my experience and insights to advance Alexandria’s environmental priorities. Respectfully, Perrin Krisko

**Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?**  
No

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Yes

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Yes

**Educational Background**

Master's degree in environmental public health from George Washington University

**Summary of Work and Experience**

With a strong foundation in community project development and research, I have developed extensive expertise in environmental policy and climate impacts. Through roles with organizations like the EPA, NASA, Peace Corps, and the U.S. State Department's Fulbright program, I have bridged science and policy, fostering sustainable practices and environmental equity. These skills uniquely position me to contribute to an environmental policy advisory committee.

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