
Name of Council Member

Endorsement

CONTESTED APPOINTMENTS

Environmental Policy Commission
(2-year term)
1 Citizen Member

_____ Eldon Boes*

_____ Michelle Kolacz

_____ Dane Lauritzen

_____ Caitlin O'Sullivan

*incumbent

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New Applicant or Current Member☒ Current Member

Eldon

First Name

Boes

Last Name

Email Address

Date of Birth**Place of Birth****Home Address**

Street Address

City

Primary Phone

Suite or Apt

State

22314

Postal Code

Alternate Phone

NA, retired

Employer

Job Title

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Environmental Policy Commission: Submitted

Type of Position/Role

Citizen

Demographics

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how long?

30 years

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain

I'm currently serving in my 4th year as a member of the Environmental Policy Commission. I am also serving in my 4th year as the representative of the EPC on the Waterfront Commission.

Interests & Experiences

Statement of Interest/Why You Should Be Appointed

I have an extensive background and a very strong interest in technological issues and natural systems in general, and in air, water, and natural resource protection in particular. In addition, both my professional career and my daily life have consistently included a strong focus on service to the natural world and to my community. I also have a keen sense of the importance of collaboration and teamwork for the success of advisory entities such as the Environmental Policy Commission (EPC). As a member of the Alexandria EPC for 4 years, my most visible contribution has been to serve as Chair of the Planning Committee for Alexandria Earth Day in both 2018 and 2019. In addition, I am proud to have contributed to the very intensive and collaborative efforts of the EPC members and T&ES staff that have resulted in the formulation of Alexandria's 2040 Environmental Action Plan. I believe that plan provides an explicit outline of the path that Alexandria needs to follow to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions as required by our commitment to the goals of the Paris Climate Accord and I applaud City Council's unanimous adoption of that EAP. I'm also pleased to have the honor of representing the EPC as a member of Alexandria's Waterfront Commission. Finally, I'm happy to have participated in the selection of this year's Ellen Pickering Award winner to be announced soon. I am very interested in continuing to contribute to the environmental and natural resource conservation causes of Alexandria and this region. While I am already active in a number of related areas, such as river cleanups, promoting safe bicycling among youth, and natural resource education efforts, I believe that I can continue to make valuable contributions to the Environmental Policy Commission's efforts to provide sound and informed guidance on the full spectrum of environmental and resource protection issues facing our community and region.

Are you currently a member of a City Board, Commission, Committee or Authority?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list the board:

Environmental Policy Commission

How many terms have you served on this board?

Two

If you have served more than two consecutive terms on this board, please state the specific qualifications you possess which merit consideration for continued service:

Have you applied for a position on a City Board, Commission, Committee or Authority in the last six months?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please state the names of the boards for which you have applied

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Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please state your department, job title, and describe your duties:

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain:

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☐ Yes ☐ No

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867?

☐ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Please list certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc.):

Ph.D., Mathematics, Purdue University M.S., Mathematics, Purdue University B.A., Mathematics, St. Ambrose College AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow

SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE (Please list titles and duties for the past five years):

I have been retired since 2015, but continue to be very active in community volunteer efforts as outlined elsewhere in this application. Employment History United States Senate, 2006-2014: Senior Staff member for Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) with responsibility for energy, environment, water, air quality, and climate issues National Renewable Energy Laboratory, 1991-2005: Director of Energy Analysis Office Sandia National Laboratories, 1974-1990: Supervisor Photovoltaic Energy Technology R&D New Mexico State University, 1968-1974: Assistant Professor of Mathematics

REFERENCES (Please list names and addresses of four references that you have contacted and support your application).

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New Applicant or Current Member☒ New Applicant

Michelle

First Name

Kolacz

Last Name



Email Address

Date of Birth**Place of Birth****Home Address**

Street Address



Suite or Apt



City



State

22314

Postal Code



Primary Phone



Alternate Phone

Freelance

Employer

Sustainability Consultant

Job Title

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Environmental Policy Commission: Submitted

Type of Position/Role

Citizen-at-large

Demographics**Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria?**

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how long?

17 months

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain

NA

Interests & Experiences**Statement of Interest/Why You Should Be Appointed**

I understand the urgency of which we must address climate change and protect the environment. Climate change affects every single person in varying degrees from a financial, social, and environmental standpoint. This is knowledge that I act upon not only my professional life, but in my personal life as well. Thus, I am always trying to find ways to increase my sustainable impact and make a difference. I believe that being a part of the Environmental Policy Committee would allow me to help create solutions and meaningful change for the better. Sustainability is the most interdisciplinary and creative field in modern history. My expertise and experience would add a unique perspective to the committee. A research and design background have given me a thorough understanding of engineering effective reports, products, and processes. Collaborations and leadership, often with interdisciplinary and multinational teams, coupled with diverse project backgrounds have allowed me to demonstrate not only success, but strategy, creativity, resourcefulness, and the ability to communicate well while working with/managing a wide range of individuals. Furthermore, I work with honesty, integrity, and the desire to help make the world a better place. I believe these are skills that would be an asset to this committee and I am honored to be considered for the appointment.

Are you currently a member of a City Board, Commission, Committee or Authority?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list the board:

NA

How many terms have you served on this board?

NA

If you have served more than two consecutive terms on this board, please state the specific qualifications you possess which merit consideration for continued service:

NA

Have you applied for a position on a City Board, Commission, Committee or Authority in the last six months?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please state the names of the boards for which you have applied

NA

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Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please state your department, job title, and describe your duties:

NA

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain:

NA

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☒ Yes ☐ No

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867?

☐ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Please list certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc.):

I am currently preparing for the LEED Green Associate certification. My estimated completion is by the end of summer 2021. University of Cambridge - Business Sustainability Management Certificate - (Distinction - Excellent) Kent State University - MFIS - Fashion Industry Studies - Thesis on marketing, and sustainability (4.0) Kent State University - BA with honors - Fashion Design - Honors thesis on sustainability and technology Beaumont School (for girls) - Honors high school diploma - Academic Scholar and Business Scholar Look up to Cleveland - Leadership Certificate

SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE (Please list titles and duties for the past five years):

Sustainability Consultant – Freelance -Advising companies, organizations, and individuals as to how they can be more environmentally, financially, and socially responsible by assessing their current status and creating a list of recommendations with an action plan that considers sustainability in both the short and long term. Designer – Freelance -Encouraged sustainability through graphic and fashion design by working on projects and assisting clients whose goals focus on furthering objectives in alignment with the sustainable goals of the United Nations. Clients have included individuals as well as organizations. Designer and NASA SUITS Finalist (Internship) - Advanced Telerobotics Research Laboratory - Collaborated with a cross-functional team to create a research device. Competed as a finalist for NASA SUITS and helped with the Artemis Mission. Master's Candidate – Kent State University - Identified opportunities and designed processes for academic and industry application - Researched business strategy, sustainability, packaging, and consumer behavior - Presented work nationally and internationally Graduate Research Assistant – Kent State University - Conducted research with quantitative, qualitative, and generative design methods - Coordinated and ran focus groups and meetings - Created engaging and effective lessons for students - Reviewed student assignments Sustainability Consultant (Practicum) – Smithers-Oasis Company - Evaluated the company, analyzed information, and made recommendations - Created reports and presentations - Advised upper level executives on sustainable development Research Analyst – Cotton Incorporated - Contracted as the lead for the project - Collected, interpreted, managed, and analyzed data - Researched sustainable solutions for the textile, product, and apparel industry - Wrote a report for internal distribution Designer (Internship) - Naeem Khan - Enhanced skills in design development, client relations, marketing, and sales - Sourced materials and assisted with product creation - Worked New York City fashion week and market week

REFERENCES (Please list names and addresses of four references that you have contacted and support your application).

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Dane

First Name

Lauritzen

Last Name

Email Address

Date of Birth**Place of Birth****Home Address**

Street Address

Suite or Apt

City

State

22314

Postal Code

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Department of Veterans Affairs

Employer

Attorney Adviser

Job Title

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Environmental Policy Commission: Submitted

Type of Position/Role

Citizen

Demographics

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how long?

Less than 1 year

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain

Interests & Experiences**Statement of Interest/Why You Should Be Appointed**

Dear City of Alexandria: I am interested in volunteering for the City of Alexandria as a board member. I moved here last year, and after buying a house in Alexandria I decided that I want to give back to my local community. I would make a great board member for the city, because I have prior experience in city government, training in public policy and administration, and a strong belief in public service. At the Board of Veterans Affairs, I serve military veterans and their families. I help the agency write adjudicatory decisions that either provide the veteran with the benefits they deserve, or give clear and concise explanations to the veteran for why the agency is unable to provide the benefits requested. My success rests on empathy for the veterans, my time management skills, and attention to detail in each case. At the non-profit United South Broadway I served low-income homeowners facing foreclosure. I analyzed each case for claims and defenses, reviewed financial and accounting documents, negotiated with the bank, and made written and oral arguments. My success rested on my ability to analyze complex legal and factual issues, successfully litigate, negotiate settlements, and communicate persuasively. At the City of Albuquerque, I served the citizens and public officials by helping formulate effective policies and ordinances. I researched tax and policy initiatives, assessed the financial feasibility of municipal and construction projects, and helped the city to communicate with and listen to our constituents. My success depended on the ability to reconcile competing policy goals and diverse community perspectives together into effective municipal policy and planning actions. I'd love to bring my experience, training, and my passion for public service as a volunteer for the City of Alexandria. Sincerely, Dane Lauritzen

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☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the board:

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☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please state the names of the boards for which you have applied

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Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please state your department, job title, and describe your duties:

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain:

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☐ Yes ☐ No

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867?

☒ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Please list certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc.):

Juris Doctor, Indian Law Certificate, May 2013 Masters in Public Administration, May 2014; Honors: Phi Alpha Alpha Bachelor of Arts in English, May 2009

SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE (Please list titles and duties for the past five years):

Board of Veterans' Appeals, Attorney Advisor, June 10, 2018 - Present JOB SUMMARY. I quickly and efficiently review appeals and evidence, analyze the legal and regulatory issues involved, and prepare concise, well-reasoned agency decisions. I organize and notate important evidence in the claims record, so that agency attorneys or judges can efficiently evaluate the merits of the claim. Last, I draft an agency decision for approval by a Veterans Law Judge where I clearly and concisely explain what the agency is doing and why. Social Security Administration, Attorney Advisor, July 13, 2015 - June 10, 2018 JOB SUMMARY. I quickly and efficiently reviewed appeals and evidence, analyzed the legal and regulatory issues involved, and prepared agency orders and actions. I summarized relevant legal and factual issues in a case before the Appeals Council, and recommended specific action by the Social Security Administration to resolve the case in compliance with complex disability law and regulations. I drafted a formal agency order or letter which explained factors considered and implemented the recommended action for resolution of the case.

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New Applicant or Current Member☒ New Applicant

Caitlin

First Name

O'sullivan

Last Name

Email Address

Date of Birth**Place of Birth****Home Address**

Street Address

Suite or Apt

City

State

22302

Postal Code

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Flatwater, Inc.

Employer

Federal Contractor

Job Title

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Environmental Policy Commission: Submitted

Caitlin O'sullivan

Type of Position/Role

Member, Citizen

Demographics

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how long?

About 1 year

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain

Interests & Experiences

Statement of Interest/Why You Should Be Appointed

I am extremely passionate about environmental issues and would love the opportunity to ensure Alexandria remains at the forefront of sustainable development. I have a JD from Northeastern University School of Law and a Masters of Environmental Law and Policy from Vermont Law School. My career includes experiences with federal/state/municipal environmental law, and economic development.

Are you currently a member of a City Board, Commission, Committee or Authority?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please list the board:

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☒ Yes ☐ No

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☒ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (Please list certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc.):

Northeastern University School of Law, J.D. Vermont Law School, Masters of Environmental Law and Policy Fairfield University, Bachelor of Arts

SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE (Please list titles and duties for the past five years):

Assistant to Acting Chief, U.S. Dept. of the Interior - Division of Capital Investment (Contractor with Flatwater Inc.) • Formulate high-level policy, guidance, and forms to ensure consistent application of enacting statute and regulations to all Indian Loan Guarantee Program activities. • Advise Zone Managers and other colleagues on questions involving environmental law, and construction law. • Review and draft transactional documents for new loans and modifications of existing loans. • Draft affidavits, briefs, debt cancellation orders, and settlement agreements. • Perform research on environmental law and sustainable development standards that may impact projects guaranteed by Program. EHS Regulatory Compliance Attorney, Enhesa Inc. • Tracked and analyzed proposed and newly adopted environmental, health, and safety (EHS) regulatory requirements from across North America. • Developed and updated permitting, operational, and regulatory compliance protocols for use by general counsel, site managers, and engineers at Fortune 500 companies. • Delegated reports to colleagues, and organized team meetings to discuss recent U.S. federal developments and other content related issues. • Provided legal advice to clients on updates to federal laws including the Clean Water Act, National Environmental Policy Act, and Clean Air Act. • Performed audits of client facilities and provided conclusions and advice for correcting issues identified during audits.

REFERENCES (Please list names and addresses of four references that you have contacted and support your application).



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The HRC's main role is to ensure discrimination does not occur in our city based on race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, marital status, familial status, age, sexual orientation or disability with respect to housing, employment, public accommodations, health and social services, education, credit or city contracts.