

# Environmental Policy Commission

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Applicant	Date	Address	Contact	Status
Jennifer Lynn Debias	11/5/2024	<b>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.):</b> Yes		Validated
Erik Michael Fessler	11/29/2024			Validated

# Jennifer Lynn Debias

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## Status

**Name** Jennifer Lynn Debias  
**Application Date** 11/5/2024  
**Expiration Date** 5/5/2025  
**Board Member** [Jennifer Debias](#)  
**Status** Validated

Board	Vacancies	Status
<a href="#">Environmental Policy Commission</a>	2	<span>Contested (Incumbent)</span>

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Jennifer Lynn Debias  
**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  
**Alternate email**  
REDACTED  
**Phone**  
REDACTED

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Ensogo  
**Job Title**  
REDACTED

### New Applicant or Current Member

Current Member of This Board

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

Commissioner - 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.**

### Statement of Interest

I am interested in continuing work with the EPC.

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

Yes (Please explain), EPC Commissioner

### 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

M.S. in Environmental Management, B.S. in Environmental, Health & Safety Applied Sciences

### Summary of Work and Experience

In resume

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

REDACTED

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

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# Erik Michael Fessler

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## Status

**Name** Erik Michael Fessler  
**Application Date** 11/29/2024  
**Expiration Date** 6/29/2025  
**Board Member** [Erik Michael Fessler](#)  
**Status** Validated

Board	Vacancies	Status
<a href="#">Environmental Policy Commission</a>	2	<span>Contested</span>

## Basic Information

**Name**  
Erik Michael Fessler  
**Date of Birth**  
REDACTED

## Contact Information

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No  
**Email**  
REDACTED  
**Phone**  
REDACTED

## Occupation

**Employer (student and youth applicants list school)**  
Global Electronics Council  
**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?

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

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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**

REDACTED

**Sexual Orientation**

REDACTED

**Ethnicity**

REDACTED

**Do you have a disability?**

REDACTED

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

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