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Personnel Board Applicant

Paige P Portwood

Application Date: 07/23/21

Reside in Santa Monica: yes

If yes, number of years: 1

Hold an elected position: no

If yes, please specify:

INTERESTS AND EXPERIENCE

Current or prior service on city boards/commissions:

N/A

Community activities:

None at this time.

Qualifications, experience, education, and technical or professional requirements:

I have an undergraduate degree in Environmental Sustainability and a master's degree in Community & Regional Planning (2018). I have worked in the public sector for approximately 4 years, currently as an Associate City Planner for a neighboring municipality. I have relative experience with the basic duties and functions of government work, structure, and relations. I am also steward for our local union in which I handle employee cases, complaints, and/or provide mediation to colleagues when issues arise with an individual outside of our union.

Areas of demonstrated expertise:

I have experience in building & safety and fire prevention and disability access regulations through my former positions as a transportation planning assistant and event services technician. I would review and submit site plans, traffic control plans, and construction documents for review for all three elements. 2) I am a former temporary employee of the City of Santa Monica. I currently reside and have worked in Santa Monica. With a degree and position as a City Planner, my knowledge in all of these areas is also extensive. 3) In my former role with my current employer, I worked in Code Compliance and wrote policy on plastic utensils, pest control, and assisted with Covid-19 emergency ordinance policy regarding grocery stores and multi-family dwelling regulations 5) I have pursued a master's degree at the University of Oregon and during my time there I was a teaching instructor for GIS, Geography of Europe and Environmental Reviews. My entire family has professions in education and it is a valuable aspect of a community.

6) My background in strategic planning has been shaped by learning about case studies of various cities across the country and world. I am currently managing the strategic plan for the city I work. 7) I have written grants for federally funded programs regarding housing and development for a tiny house

community I worked to build in Eugene, Oregon. I also am aware of the federal programs related to sustainability, transportation, and infrastructure. 8) I have limited experience with S Corporations.

Goals:

My goal is to bring an informed perspective to the personnel board as a public sector employee for another municipality, myself. I will provide an unbiased perspective and will be able to have a deeper understanding of job specifications, interactions, and additional factors which staff and employees handle on a daily basis.

Vision:

My vision for the personnel board is to provide stability, fairness/equity, transparency, and consistency for the City and City Hall in particular.

Personal Qualities:

I am a collaborator. I thrive in group work settings and believe the best outcomes are from conversation, productive disagreement, and then resolution. I have assisted with running a Commission meeting and have the experience of knowing what's expected and what the expectations are as a Commissioner.

Will you be able to commit the necessary time to perform your duties if appointed to the board?

yes

How did you learn about the vacancy in this board or commission? (select all that apply)

Other

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Occupation: Associate Planner

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West Hollywood, CA

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