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APPLICATION  
VOLUNTEER FOR LOS ALAMOS COUNTY Initial: LC  
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(Please be aware that as a public entity, the County of Los Alamos is obligated to furnish this information to the public if so requested. Please also note that current LANL employees, if appointed to a Board or Commission, may be required by LANL to complete a 701 Form.)

NAME: KATHLEEN VEENSTRA DATE: 12-15-15

REGISTERED TO VOTE IN LOS ALAMOS: YES ☒ NO ☐

PARTY AFFILIATION AS REGISTERED:

Democrat ☐ Republican ☐ Independent ☒ None of the Above/Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Los Alamos County law mandates that no Board/Commission can have more than a simple majority of members from any one political party.)

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Verified (For LAC use)

ADDRESS: (Applicants are required to be residents of Los Alamos County)

1515 YUMA LOS ALAMOS

HOME PHONE: 505-577-1018 WORK PHONE: -

E-MAIL ADDRESS: KEV87544@YAHOO.COM (Please, no e-mail addresses ending in "lanl.gov")

CELL PHONE: 505-577-1018

BOARD OR COMMISSION ON WHICH YOU WISH TO SERVE:

LIBRARY

HOW DID YOU LEARN OF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION VACANCY?

LOS ALAMOS POST

DO YOU CURRENTLY SERVE ON ANY COUNTY BOARD OR COMMISSION?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, which one? (Los Alamos County Law prohibits residents from serving concurrently on more than one County board except as expressly approved in writing by the County Council before the appointment is made.)

County Charter Section 905.1 allows County employees to serve on Boards or Commissions as non-voting members only.

Questions are on the next page. Please attach additional responses as needed.

Send completed form to:  
County Administrator's Office  
1000 Central Ave., Suite 350  
Los Alamos, NM 87544  
Phone: 663-1750 Fax: 662-8079  
Email to LACBoards@lacnm.us

1. Why would you like to serve on this particular Board?

I LOVE the library! We visit the library several times a week. I am an avid reader, averaging a book or two a week plus newspapers and periodicals.

2. What volunteer or professional activities have you participated in that could apply to this appointment?

My 1st job at age 15 was in a public library. I worked in college libraries throughout my undergraduate and graduate studies. I have 30+ years experience in education.

3. The time involved may be 10-15 hrs per month or more. Are you able to serve the volunteer hours and attend training needed to perform your duties as an appointee?

Yes

4. What would you like to accomplish during your tenure on this Board or Commission? (Please identify any special interests you have that led you to become interested in serving on this Board or Commission.)

I am interested in collection development, community service and literacy outreach.

5. Have you had any direct or indirect involvement with this Board or Commission or with the County staff supporting this Board or Commission or County Councilors? If so, please explain.

No

6. Are there any issue or matters, financial or otherwise, that you are now or might become involved in that may come before the Board or Commission for which you seek appointment?

Not to my knowledge. I am a local mental health provider.



**LOS ALAMOS COUNTY**  
**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE**  
**BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

Kathleen Vega-SIPA Library  
Applicant's Name Board or Commission  
Michelle Griffin 3/9/16 5:00  
Interviewer Name Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:  
☒ Personally  
☐ Telephone

**NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL:** Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. <i>Lived in NM since 76, 93' - counselor w/ public schools; taught part time college of STE. Private practice worked Qualification Library "have" kids worked w/ library libraries</i>
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] <i>Single employer in town; free child care library issue lots of different clientel ESE;</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Non political person, gov. serves people involvement of the people. Difficult community because of a lot of diff. clientel. listening</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>Work w/ others, respect opinions, cooperative degree of intelligence.</i>
5	What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff and the Board or Commission on which you would like to serve? <i>Most frequent customer, know staff. know / friendly w/ staff, familiar face care @ library, family members worked @ library</i>

6	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&amp;Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure?</p> <p>Many school committees, steering committee, 2nd Big Brothers Big Sisters, Volunteered @ fuller Lodge art center (one @ art center)</p>
7	<p>Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?</p> <p>Not,</p>
8	<p>Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity?</p> <p>Yes, time and place,</p>
9	<p>Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board?</p> <p>No</p>
10	<p>Currently, a few boards or commissions are “live streaming” their meetings (for example, the T-Board, Parks and Recreation Board, and the Planning and Zoning Commission.) In the future, this may be required of all boards. If you’re applying for one of the boards currently streaming or if it becomes a requirement for all B&amp;Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve?</p> <p>NO</p>
11	<p>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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K. Miller, OCT

Applicant's Name

LIBRARY

Board or Commission

STEVEN THOMPSON

Interviewer Name

6/9 5:30

Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:

☒ Personally

☐ Telephone

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1	<p>Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission.</p> <p>Lived in New Mexico since '76. Counselor w/ Public Schools. Director at Pecos + Taylor at City of Santa Fe. Library is "home away from home." Family history would</p>
2	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>County's biggest issue - Single employee. Libraries every 100 miles. Pecos issue - Services for child care other school. With range of churches.</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>Government serves the people - input is needed + community makes it key. Challenging in Los Alamos to be open and charitable.</p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>ABILITY to work w/ other people. Respect + be pleasant at other opinions. Education.</p>
5	<p>What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff and the Board or Commission on which you would like to serve?</p> <p>"I am your most fervent supporter." Knows staff from library work. Family w/ staff. Family - Future. Can remember about library.</p>

6	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&amp;Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure?</p> <p>Many committees at schools - had committees, PTAs, school committees, By B-boards / B, Super. Volunteered at Little League, etc.</p>
7	<p>Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?</p> <p>Probably Not</p>
8	<p>Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity?</p> <p>Yes - Willing, depends on timing + where.</p>
9	<p>Are you aware that, as a member of a Los Alamos County Board or Commission, your written communications, including e-mails, are public records (even if produced on your personal computer), and as such are subject to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act. If any of these public records are requested for review/inspection under the Act you may need to produce them. Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board?</p> <p>Voluntarily + is acceptable</p>
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Kathleen Veenstra

Applicant's Name

Library

Board or Commission

GIRRENS

Interviewer Name

8/9 5:30pm

Date/Time of Interview

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2	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the County? What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>County single employer dependence has wide impact Library serves free child care + diverse community not quite sure about Lib board responsibilities gathering</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>given non-political w/o much experience gov't serves people so collecting input valuable <u>LISTENING</u></p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>ability to work w/ others, respect/tolerant opinions degree of intelligence</p>
5	<p>What could you do, specifically, to foster a collaborative relationship between staff and the Board or Commission on which you would like to serve?</p> <p>often says "most frequent customer," families Knows the Library friendly w/ staff courteous, aware of staff difficulties as care, some family members have worked at Lib.</p>



6	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&amp;Cs – but also church groups, non-profit boards, school committees, etc.) within the last five years? What do you think was your greatest contribution during your tenure?</p> <p>participated on many CAPS committees; Chamisa PTA most recent Fuller Arts Center; display; teaching.</p>
7	<p>Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?</p> <p><del>not</del> probably not</p>
8	<p>Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity?</p> <p>Yes. An hour orientation, of course.</p>
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12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p> <p>yes, when meet and where?</p>

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