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APPLICATION
VOLUNTEER FOR LOS ALAMOS COUNTY
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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NAME: Dina Pesenson DATE: 1/09/2017

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.)

✓ Verified (For LAC use) 1/26/17 LC

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

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ (Please, no e-mail addresses ending in "lanl.gov")

CELL PHONE: _____

BOARD OR COMMISSION ON WHICH YOU WISH TO SERVE:

Parks and Recreation Board

HOW DID YOU LEARN OF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION VACANCY?

I saw the list of current board members online and 3 of them had term endings that are past.

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?

In my recent interactions with the Parks and Rec dept and the board it has come to my attention that there is a big gap between what Parks and Rec does and what the community understands about the actual work they do. I think this is detrimental to Parks and Rec/County as it doesnt allow favorable PR to build up. I believe I could improve that while serving on the board.

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

I was race director and volunteer coordinator for the Atomic Man Duathlon (held in White Rock at Pinion school) for 5 years which ended up building into a USAT designated Duathlon Nationals Qualifier for the Rockies region while I was working with it. This work included close collaboration with the county recreation division. I was a board member of the Triatomics Multisport club for 2 years.

I helped start the Triatomics Splash N Dash summer series with county's rec dept support and was the main organizer for 2 years.

I helped with Los Alamos Triathlon by volunteering

I'm the current secretary of the Southwest Nordic Ski Club and have been on their board for more than 5 years.

I coach the youngest kids (ages 2-7) in our club's kids xc ski group.

All these positions are/were volunteer positions.

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, I can do that.

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.)

1) improve community's understanding of what Parks and Rec offers and does for them.

2) Provide research/information to allow for a less toxic and more environmentally friendly approaches to turf maintenance in our parks and public places. I think the parks are already heading in that direction and I'm excited to help in that aspect.

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.

I have attended some of this board's meetings asking them to hold off and reconsider pesticide spraying in the spring in our parks to which they responded very favorably and we now have a working relationship on that subject.

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?

No.



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

Dina Pesenson
Applicant's Name

Parks & Rec
Board or Commission

James Chrobachski
Interviewer Name

2/6/17 6:00pm
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. <u>Software engineer, Volunteers sports events, club events, sk. club/cords</u> <u>Triathletes, Triathlon,</u> <u>wants to point out good achievements, PR</u>
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.] <u>County - People under value county wide opportunities</u> <u>PR - Community tends to under value services provided due to lack of PR</u>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <u>Feedback from community to advise council</u>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <u>Patience is important - need to work on</u> <u>Has good communication skills, End with action points</u>
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? <u>Promote open communication - express freely</u> <u>& comfortable environment</u>

6	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&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>- Little Forest - helped hire excellent staff - created 501c3 for Triatomics & ski club - obtained grants</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>Vaguely - Read once</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>Definitely</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>Not a deterrent</p>
10	<p>Currently, a few boards or commissions are "live streaming" their meetings (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&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve?</p> <p>No. I think it's great</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> <p>Supporter of band projects. wants to reach out to community to educate wants to get different groups involved</p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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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>Tendency of community to undervalue what the County, & Parks & Rec. do. Community expects work from County, but doesn't volunteer. PR to support Board is needed. Idealistic & appreciate the services offered.</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>Learning, reading. Chris Wilson would provide direction. Liaison between Council & community.</p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>Patience, communication skills. Accomplishments & productivity.</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>Express ourselves, sense issues.</p>

6	<p>Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&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><i>Hire an accountant for Little Forest Board. Nordic & Atomic to 513C. ^{local} personal status for both clubs. Web/Facebook page.</i></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><i>Vaguely. Did read them - need to read again.</i></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><i>Yes, definately.</i></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><i>Didn't know. Not a deterrent.</i></p>
10	<p>Currently, a few boards or commissions are "live streaming" their meetings (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&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve?</p> <p><i>Likes live streaming, not a deterrent.</i></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> <p><i>Thoughts or feelings about Bond Projects. - supportive. Promote in different locals.</i></p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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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.] <u>Community under values P&R. Not educated on what</u> <u>P&R dept does. More volunteers less opinions. Tailor</u> <u>their help to educate. People can under value city sves</u>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <u>Feedback from community. Defend the decisions and</u> <u>do the research, advisory to Council</u>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <u>Good communication skills, all pts. of view. End</u> <u>things; who doing what.</u>
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? <u>open communications - can't behave in a way</u> <u>staff feels uncomfortable. Ask them to discuss</u> <u>tough issues.</u>

6	Have you served on any Boards, Commissions or Committees (not only County B&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? Hired a great account still there - Little Forest Board. 501 C3 for X-city - clubs PR for nodie club website & FB
7	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? Vaguely - Be reviewed if appointed
8	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? Yes. Useful in many aspects
9	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? Didn't know. Not a problem
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11	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.] New blood, new advocates Support for bond. All are important amenities Didn't know about focus areas. Use traditional methods and include more volunteers.
12	Do you have any questions for the interview panel? Tap into all neighborhood groups

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