
General Information

All County Board and Commission members must be residents of Los Alamos County.

Once a resident fills out and submits this application, an interview is scheduled with the B&C's County Council liaison, the relevant staff liaison, and the B&C Chair. After the interviews, the applicants' names are presented to the full Council during a regularly scheduled Council meeting, where a vote is taken regarding the appointment of each applicant. Each applicant will be notified if they are appointed or not.

Only on-line applications will be considered.

If you are interested in applying for the Board of Public Utilities, please contact Jamie Kephart at 505-662-8132.

If you are interested in applying for Labor Relations Board, please contact Denise Cassel at 505-662-8047.

Profile

Board and Commission Application

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

Andrea

First Name

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Middle Initial

Pistone

Last Name

Street Address

City

Email Address

Primary Phone

Suite or Apt

State

Postal Code

Alternate Phone

Party affiliation as registered: (Select one of the following) *

☒ Independent

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

☒ Yes ☐ No

social media, LAC web site

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

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.)

Interests & Experiences

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Community Development Advisory: Submitted

Why would you like to serve on this particular Board or Commission?

I've been watching, listening and participating in the debates over the current nuisance code, how it is interpreted and executed. I certainly have my opinions, which seem to be in the middle somewhere. As a home owner who has lived in Los Alamos since 1985, I am invested in our community. I have an interest in helping solve issues vs just complaining about them. I know the code and its enforcement isn't black and white. The board is critical to mending relationships between the county and residents, supporting and executing a reasonable code program for betterment of the community. My interest in this topic, my long-time vested interest in Los Alamos (lived in LA since 1985, owned a home since 1994), my knowledge and skills make me a positive asset to this board.

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

I have served on the LANL Foundation Scholarship Advisory Committee for the last three years. The current year I was chair elect. Next year I will serve as the chair of the committee. Over the years I have served on multiple event and fundraising boards, including K2 Women's Weekend, BSBS, Relay for Life. I've been a Girl Scout leader, played team sports and raised two daughters. Professionally, I am a Project and Program Manager at LANL (education and training). This takes attention to detail, organization, patience, negotiation and communication skills.

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

Yes. Information about this board states meetings are the third Monday of each month. I have no commitments on Monday evenings and am ready to block the time needed to make this board a success.

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 want to work in partnership with LAC employees and the Council to help improve the current code so it is clear, reasonable and transparent. Support the Council and LAC with an implementation plan that TRULY improves our community, as intended. Actions need to be taken to reduce anxiety of many residents, focus on the safety and maintenance issues that really matter. This will help those performing code enforcement to become partners with the community. Residents need to be prideful of where we live and have an active role in the betterment of our community. Within reason. I would like to serve on this board to help improve the code as it is written. We need a reasonable, clear, transparent property maintenance code and implementation plan that residents understand and that truly makes our community better. The code also needs to be written in such a way that there are no grey areas. As currently, it leaves a lot of area for personal interpretation. This leads to unnecessary or incorrect NOV's and causes consternation among residents. I also think priorities need to be set – safety and commercial properties should be the number one focus.

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.

This particular board is not active at this time. I've attended a few Council meeting where the nuisance code was discussed and I voiced my opinion. I met with former Councilor Chrobocinski (others were in attendance) to discuss issues and possible solutions.

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 at this time, but I do own a home in Los Alamos, so anything is possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Libby Carlsten at 505-662-8261 or libby.carlsten@lacnm.us

LOS ALAMOS

County Manager's Office BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Andrea Pistone

Applicant's Name

CDAB

Board or Commission

David I.

Interviewer Name

7/9/18 4:15

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	Describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. Resident 35 years. BS. Business, M.S. Chronic volunteer & problem solver. Have concerns, but need to get money where it is.
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] Relationship between county & citizens. Staff is treated unfairly, but also valid citizen concerns.
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Bridge between decisionmakers & people who are living with these decisions
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Project Mgr at lab, negotiate every day, knock to get everyone together. Lots of committee experience. LAMC scholarship board.
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? Understanding what drives the staff. Read code 8 & 10 times. For staff, important for citizens to understand & for staff not be placed when they have to make arbitrary decisions

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? <i>Not a county board. CANL scholarly fund, chair-elect. Keep my eye on the end goal. Knock for helping people. Think in gross pieces/action.</i>
7 7A	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? Describe your knowledge or understanding of the County's property maintenance code. <i>Read code & think have understanding of role. Need to have standards, but can be written - better.</i>
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? <i>Neighbor talky to each other. Safety which can mean many things. Would like to see block parties, etc.</i>
9	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? <i>Absolutely.</i>
10	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? <i>No.</i>
11	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&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve? <i>No.</i>
12	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]
13	Do you have any questions for the interview panel?

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County Manager's Office BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Andrea Pistone
Applicant's Name

CDAB
Board or Commission

Antonio MAGGIORE
Interviewer Name

7/9/18 4:10 pm
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
☒ Personally
☐ Telephone

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1	Describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. 35 year resident of LA, Chronic volunteer, Chronic problem solver. Has concerns
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] Relationship between county and the public
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Way to bridge gap between decision makers and those living w/ the decisions.
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Negotiation, Knack for reaching ending goals
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? understanding what drives the staff increase education of the community work to get everyone on same page

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? <i>No County boards, WANL Foundation Scholarship * Organizational Skills communication, patience</i>
7 7A	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? Describe your knowledge or understanding of the County's property maintenance code. <i>read the code, understands the need for it, understands the nuisance side also sees room for improvements.</i>
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? <i>safety. neighbors actually talking to each other block parties welcoming to new visit residents.</i>
9	Are you willing to take the time to attend training sessions to become more knowledgeable about your duties and responsibilities in an advisory capacity? <i>absolutely</i>
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County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Andrea Pistone
Applicant's Name

Board or Commission

Paul Andrews
Interviewer Name

Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
____ Personally
____ Telephone

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1	Describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. <u>Resident for 35+ years - chronic volunteer; likes to solve problems</u> <u>Move in the middle</u>
2	What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board/commission you applied for? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.] <u>Relationship between the county and staff</u> <u>Valued citizen concerns / county employees treated badly</u>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <u>Bridge gap between decision makers and residents</u>
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? <u>Negotiate as a project manager; can get everyone together</u> <u>LAW Foundation</u> <u>Chair elect</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>Understanding what drives the staff; increase education</u> <u>Make distinctions;</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? No court LANL FOUNDATION - Scholarship - Chair next year
7 7A	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? Describe your knowledge or understanding of the County's property maintenance code. Read the code Understand the nuisance aspect - standards
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? Neighbors talking to each other; safety; weeds don't effect property value; block parties
9	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, absolutely
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