
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.

Aaron

First Name

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Middle Initial

Walker

Last Name

Street Address

City

Email Address

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Suite or Apt

State

Postal Code

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

☒ Other

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

☒ Yes ☐ No

County council meetings/watching
the vacancies 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?

The code is written rather poorly and lends itself to a large amount of interpretation from the county as well as the citizens. We need to go through the code step by step to clarify the code, as well as reviewing if that section best serves the county. I want to volunteer in the community, and my experience will serve me well on this board.

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

U.S Navy- spent 2+ years developing maintenance procedures for a nuclear reactor. These documents had to be very clear, concise, and easily read and completed by anyone. This experience helps me analyze documents for clarity and easy of understanding/use. I also was the training coordinator for 2 years, which involved developing numerous training activities and speaking in front of 30+ people at a time.

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

**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.)**

Clarify the code - make it easy to use and easy to understand. Ease tensions- make the NOV process more personable. There can be face to face interactions before getting a notice mailed to you. The public needs to be involved. Save money- make the code simpler, to where less NOVs are issued, and less time is required to enforce potentially questionable violations. Reduce administrative burdens on county employees to free time.

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.

Yes, I have advocated heavily for the creation of this board to the county council.

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

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

Aaron Walker

Applicant's Name

CDAB

Board or Commission

David I.

Interviewer Name

7/9/18 2:45pm

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. 7 years in Navy, Navy reactors, analytical skills attention to detail. Make code single & straightforward
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.] Disconnect between CDD & people. Vague in code that allows for interpretation. Needs to clarify.
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Represent microcosm of community as a whole. More approachable than numbers & facts.
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Analytical skills. Work well with other people. Find middle ground.
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? Open & often communication. Spend couple days with code enforcement people. Spend time in office. So we don't add undue burden on this job.

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.
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. Somewhat familiar. Looked into it, to see issues he has seen. Found online.
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? Extended family. Like to talk with neighbors, block parties. Community
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? Absolutely.
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? No.
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? OK.
12	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.] Moved here 2 yrs ago. 7/20/17
13	Do you have any questions for the interview panel?

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CDAB
Board or Commission

Antonio Maggiore
Interviewer Name

7/9/18
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
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☐ Telephone

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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.] the disconnect between CDD & Public - vagueness in code and interpretation. Push for clearer interpretations less feeling of persecution
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? vitally important microcosms of the community - easier to approach than Council. great sounding boards
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Analytical & reasoning skills - may not agree but doesn't mean can't work with them.
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? Open & often communication, wants to spend time with enforcement officers and staff wants to understand their job to better understand help their processes.

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</i>
7 7A	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? <i>(found online)</i> Describe your knowledge or understanding of the County's property maintenance code. <i>Somewhat familiar has not delved in very deeply for specifics</i>
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? <i>extended family almost communication, events (block parties)</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 - necessary</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>Aware and not at all.</i>
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12	<i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</i> <i>moved to town one year ago and loves it.</i>
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BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

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Board or Commission

Paul
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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.] <i>Disconnect b/w CDD / community - vagueness in code easy to understand code</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Vitaly important - represent the community as a whole microcosm</i>
4	What skills do you possess that you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? <i>Analytical skills; reasonable; can work common middle ground</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>Open and often communication; spend time w/ drive around get help to achieve goals / achieve</i>

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? <div style="text-align: center;">No</div>
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. <div style="text-align: center;">Somewhat familiar</div>
8	What are the elements of a good neighborhood? <div style="text-align: center;">Extended family - talk w/ neighbors; have got together Community</div>
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? <div style="text-align: center;">Absolutely necessary</div>
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