
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.

Steven

First Name

J

Middle Initial

BARRETTA

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) *

☒ Independent Mr. Barretta is registered as a Republican verified by Jon Bulthuis on 5-3-19.

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Public Works Director

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?

Transportation: Submitted

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

As a newer resident, and retired, I want to contribute to the community. I feel my input could be helpful to the board as a different perspective. Not having any predisposed ideas about how things are, I would be taking a fresh look at the issues and may be able to make suggestions that may have been overlooked, or reinforce current directions.

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

I was a county employee for 35 years where I previously lived, San Mateo County. During that time I was involved in many projects, as a manager, that included designs, remodels, and new building construction. That work, in advisory and project management roles, left me with a good understanding of process, requirements, and the realities of what needed to be done. Ten years of my employment with San Mateo County was as Deputy Sheriff. During that time I drove the roads of the county and experienced a number of situations where traffic issues and road conditions, affected my ability to respond to calls. That perspective gives me a slightly different perspective than normal commute driving on what types of issues need to be addressed. As a Deputy Sheriff, the roads I traveled in San Mateo County were similar to Los Alamos County. There were paved, city areas, as well as very rural areas that sometimes required four-wheel drive vehicles and even impassable, snow-bound areas. As a manager in Information Technology for Law Enforcement, I served on a number of multi-jurisdictional committees and state committees so I am very familiar with process, politics, and results of committee work. I was also required to address the Board of Supervisors (equivalent to this city's council) and present a budget on the Law Enforcement Computerized Systems I managed. I feel all my past experience would be an asset to the Board and look forward to serving.

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?

I am retired so, yes, the time commitment is not an issue.

**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 a firm believer in the concept of "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" or put another way "don't change something just for the sake of change". Assessing the needs and promoting an idea that has value to the community but also keeps the costs in mind is important to me. I would like to be able to say that I contributed to making the roads safer and less difficult to drive. My approach is to have an open mind and advocate what I feel to be the best approach to situations. For example, when I first heard about the traffic circle on Trinity, I did not think it would be a good idea. After attending a couple of meetings about it, reviewing the plans, and asking some questions, I changed my position and think it will be a good change. Not perfect, in my opinion, but the best given the circumstances.

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 a few presentations, one sponsored by the state about the traffic circle, and the Council budget meetings. I also know Councilman James Robinson personally. My main source of information/interaction with County activity is through the printed media, social media (local Los Alamos) and the County website.

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?

There are no issues I am involved with at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Lai at 505-663-3436 or barbara.lai@lacnm.us



**County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

Steven Barretta
Applicant's Name

TRANSPORTATION
Board or Commission

ANTONIO MACGREG
Interviewer Name

5/2/2019 4:05 pm
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>Retired - moved to White Rock a year ago looking for a way to contribute. 35 yrs w San Mateo County CA. Sheriff deputy Did IM/IT for judicial/LE, familiar w/ budget processes etc. Management operations, lots of network creating efforts. lots of board experience</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>Balancing growth v/ staying the same small Budgetary differences year to year - how do we grow community. Infrastructure needs.</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Vital - have to pay attention to what community needs/wants.</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>be able to pore through presentations have to be able to ask questions, look w/ open mind Not necessary to agree but have to be able to disagree civilly.</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>Discussion & Dialogue, Collaborative process have to be willing to work through disagreements.</i>

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>Various Work related Committees and Established a cost sharing mechanism between County and city governments in CA for dispatch services.</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>Not yet</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>Definitely</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>Not a problem</i></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&Cs to stream, is this - or will this - be a deterrent to your willingness to serve?</p> <p><i>Not a problem</i></p>
11	<p><i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</i></p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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Familiar w/ Granicus.



County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

STEVEN BARREITA
Applicant's Name

TRANSPORTATION
Board or Commission

SRIRAM SWAMINATHAN
Interviewer Name

5/2, 1600 hrs
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
☒ Personally
☐ Telephone

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#	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>Retired to Los Alamos. Knows other board members. Worked for County of San Mateo and wants to continue service. Served on many boards & interacted with county officials.</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>Balance growth is crucial issue. Infrastructure improvement.</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Vital to functioning of government. Must pay attention to what the County needs are.</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>Ability to understand material presented & curiosity to ask questions. Willingness to ask questions. Also communication, though he didn't state it as such.</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>Discussion & dialogue. It's OK to agree to disagree and work forward rather than to walk away.</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? <i>presented to board of supervisors & put of Technology committee. Managed to get a collaboration between a large diverse group. because of a message switch.</i>
7	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for? <i>Not yet</i>
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? <i>Yes</i>
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? <i>No</i>
10	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>
11	[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.] <i>N/A</i>
12	Do you have any questions for the interview panel? <i>No</i>

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County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Steve Barnett
Applicant's Name

T-Board
Board or Commission

Jon Bulthuis
Interviewer Name

05/02/19 @ 4:00 PM
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
☒ Personally
☐ Telephone

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#	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>Have been in town about a year - retired - but wanting to serve. Worked for 35 years in County of San Mateo. Worked w/ Sheriff's Office. Technology upgrades: IT Mgr.</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>Balancing growth w/ the character of a small town/county. How infrastructure is used, in part, to regulate.</u>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <u>Vital - but must be aware of community needs. Council in LAC seems to have citizens best interests at heart.</u>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <u>Able to review packets to ask/understand. Willing to question authority and question assumptions. Give it -</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>Be willing to discuss and enter into dialogue. Ability to compromise when necessary.</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>Not many recently – but worked w/ county to make presentations. Message (switch) manager – able to get many parties to agree.</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>still learning.</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.</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&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> <p>What does the Board Chair require? That when T-Board makes recommendation the Council can know good judgement behind it.</p>

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