

General Information

All County Board and Commission members must be residents of Los Alamos County. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board members, except the at-large community member, do not need to be residents if they are employed/represent an attraction or hotel.

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 Labor Relations Board, please contact Mary Tapia at 505-662-8040.

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.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Art in Public Places: Submitted

Ana _____ **M** _____ **Paredes** _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<small>Street Address</small>	<small>Suite or Apt</small>

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<small>City</small>	<small>State</small>	<small>Postal Code</small>

Email Address

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<small>Primary Phone</small>	<small>Alternate Phone</small>

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

Yes No

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

None of the above

How long have you lived in Los Alamos County?

10 months

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Instagram 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.)

Community Service

List boards, commissions, committees, and organizations on which you are currently serving or have served. Include any offices held.

Leadership Los Alamos

Employment and Education

List your current and past employment experience.

Smithgroup - Architect, Principal

List your current and past education including any professional or vocational licenses or certificates.

Liscenced professional architect, master degree in architecture,

Interests & Experiences

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

I've always had a passion for art and would love the opportunity to continue showcasing art throughout Los Alamos.

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.)

Maintaining the local art in the community and finding ways to uplift local artists through murals or sculptures.

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.

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

I'm part of the

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

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

General

Have you ever worked for Los Alamos County?

Yes No

If yes, please list dates and department.

Are you related to any employee of Los Alamos County?

Yes No

If yes, please indicate name and relationship.

Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest in connection to your occupation or financial holdings in relation to your responsibilities as a member of the advisory body to which you seek appointment?

Yes No

If yes, please indicate any potential conflicts.

Are you aware of the time commitment necessary to fulfill the obligations of the Board or Commission to which you seek appointment?

Yes No

Can you commit to approximately 10-15 hours per month to this Board or Commission to prepare for and attend monthly meetings and training as needed?

Yes No

Are you willing to participate in Board and Commission meetings that are recorded and may be live-streamed?

Yes No

Are you willing to have your name listed on the County Boards and Commissions public webpage?

Yes No

If you have any questions, please contact Adrienne Lovato at 505-662-8293



County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Applicant's Name

Board or Commission

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.

Table with 2 columns: #, Question/Documented Response. Contains 5 numbered questions regarding applicant background, county issues, role of boards, skills, and collaborative relationships.

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?
7	Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?
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?
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?
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?
11	<i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</i>
12	Do you have any questions for the interview panel?

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County Manager's Office BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Ana Paredes
Applicant's Name

Arts in Public Places
Board or Commission

Councilor Neal-Clinton
Interviewer Name

3/18/2025 @ 4:00
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. Architect for 11 years; always interested in Arts; lived here for a year; as an architect leans into art; merging Architecture + art; helped integrate Art into cultural work cultural; that is her crowning piece
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.] struggles; the remoteness of the physicality; not having social places to eat or shop is a challenge finding community engagement for art + get support for art
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? services always wanted to serve the community through leadership This is another to give back
5	4 What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? Facilities has a perspective that is integral + working with them for maintenance + using communication + collaboration to express various viewpoints
4	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? Communication is key; Being able to communicate easily to everyone; Art inspires community; find ways to collaborate Believes she has all of the skills necessary + previously stated

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>Leadership program graduate; non profit organization Project to create a park for the children. A design was created. The project was handed off to landscaping for implementation</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>There is a familiarity of the Charter; but not totally familiar w/ either</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>
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12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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County Manager's Office
BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Ana Paredes
 Applicant's Name

Art in Public Places
 Board or Commission

Chelsea Ashcraft
 Interviewer Name

March 18, 2025/4:00 p.m.
 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	<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>-Architect by training- 11 years; Moved to Los Alamos in April 2024 from Texas -Always been interested in art; understand the importance of art in the community; like that in small towns- especially here, people don't have to make an effort to experience public art -Have always pushed local artists to be involved in architecture projects; succeeded in getting local artists' mural work in her architecture firm's office space.</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? <i>[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></p> <p>-County: remoteness- issues like Internet outages, limited access into and out of town; limited restaurants and other services-partially due to high rent rates -APPB: finding community support; common message=art not as important as other issues/services (eg. filling pot holes); challenge is finding way to meet the community where they are and find the support</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>-This is a public service; always wanted to serve and give back to the community; Have participated in numerous community projects and services, joining a Board is the next step in public service.</p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>-Communication- art tells a story; Board communicates that story and makes it easily understandable to the community; communicates with other boards -Collaboration- helps to find the balance -I possess all of them- It's in our (architects) nature to be collaborators; herding cats with large teams- it's the architect's responsibility to clearly communicate the vision and get everyone on board</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>This is in my wheelhouse; ensure staff feel comfortable-especially with maintenance issues; getting everyone in the same room to discuss vision; find answers for all issues to ease everyone's concerns and/or pivot if needed.</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>A few- wanted to highlight: attended 10 month leadership program- AIA in Dallas; project that gives back to community; proud to be a part of a grassroots project; park actually built</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>Little bit- not an expert Know that 1% set aside for Public Art fund</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>No</p>
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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> <p>-What was our favorite part of being on the board -Time commitments</p>

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