

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 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.

Jennifer _____ B _____ Jenson _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Street Address _____ Suite or Apt _____

City _____ State _____ Postal Code _____

Email Address _____

Primary Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

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

Democrat

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

Yes No

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Kelly Stewart

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?

Lodgers' Tax Advisory: Submitted

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

I have an interest in how this board affects the community I reside in, I would like to be able to share my point of view as a resident of Los Alamos county.

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

I have an interest in the way that lodging is handled within this community and how the tax from the lodging is handled. My residency within the community is an asset to this appointment.

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.)

I would like to add my experiences as a resident of Los Alamos county, I am curious to know what the impact is of the this board.

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 currently am employed as an intern with Kelly Stewart. The internship is through a program with UNM-LA.

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 that I am aware of

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

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>Serve on a church board. Assist with high holidays or welcoming high visitors. Best contribution is ability to multi-task, execute logistics, delegate to other volunteers so that team is on same page and all working to a goal,</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>Not really. Just starting to understand how LTAB works and curious to know more.</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. Like to get a full understanding and prepare in advance. Will make it work.</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>Yes, aware, and not deterred.</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><i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the written answers this applicant provided as part of their application.]</i></p> <p>N/A</p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p> <p>No. Just excited to get a better understanding of how it works.</p>

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

Jennifer Jenson
Applicant's Name

LTAB
Board or Commission

Linda Deck
Interviewer Name

12/3/21, 9:30 am
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
 X ZOOM
 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>Resident 7 yrs, on Hill and WR. Mom of 5 with full responsibility for them. Student at UNM-LA, Interpersonal Comms and Psych.</p> <p>Interest in what happens here, working with Kelly gives her insight</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>Biggest issues in Co: lodging esp. students in summer, and affordable housing. Interested to learn about the board and how it impacts county.</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>Hasn't known how Co. works, starting to understand what boards do.</p> <p>Understand how citizens interact. 3 weeks with Kelly (starting Sept. 2021) and then telework visits.</p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>Most imp. Ability to communicate...listening and communicating role of boards.</p> <p>This is her skill...comms with kids, community educator for a nonprofit (Strong in Nature ...outdoor program for rehab of sexual trauma). July 2019 – May of 2020. Aug 20 AA studies, finished in July 2021.</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>Promote continual conversation, find answers to keep investigation going.</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>Contractor to Strong in Nature, on board of church and assist in high holidays and making visitors welcome. She multitasks, delegates, keeps things going!</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>Not super familiar.....didn't know we had one....really doesn't know.</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, likes to have understanding. Will make time to make it work.</p>
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12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p> <p>No questions. Thanks for the time!</p>

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7	<p>Are you familiar with the County Charter and County Code as they apply to the Board you are applying for?</p> <p>No. Learned from Kelly about the board.</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. Will make time.</p>
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12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p> <p>None. Just want to learn how things work.</p>

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