

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?

Parks and Recreation: Submitted

Brian _____ **Watkins** _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Street Address		Suite or Apt	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
City		State	Postal Code
<input type="text"/>			
Email Address			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Primary Phone	Alternate Phone		

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

Yes No

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

Republican

How long have you lived in Los Alamos County?

21 years

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Current member

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.)

PRB

Community Service

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

LAC Parks and Recreation Board (member, chair)

Employment and Education

List your current and past employment experience.

Employed at LANL for 21 years. Prior to LANL worked in commercial construction industry.

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

Bachelor's Degree (Business) from NMSU

Interests & Experiences

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

I'd like to make additional contributions to our community, particularly for outdoor and recreational resources (especially mountain biking and hiking trails).

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'd like to support the continuing discussions and efforts for the county trails plans, the mountain bike park, partnering with Pajarito Ski area, the NICA program, overall county recreation planning, etc.. I'm also interested in partnering with IMBA or a similar volunteer trails organization to enhance community engagement and volunteerism to support our trails, parks, etc.

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.

Current PRB chair.

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

I have done extensive volunteer trail work, around the county, forest service, and at the ski hill, for many years. Professionally, I have 25+ years of industry experience in construction, maintenance, civil work, and planning.

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?

None

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 FOR B&C MEMBERS APPLYING FOR A SECOND TERM

Brian Watters
Applicant's Name

PRB
Board or Commission

Wendy Parker
Interviewer Name

11/21/25 / 8AM
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
 ZOOM
 Telephone
 In person

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>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p><i>Positive - Support County staff / Balance in form residence of County role</i> <i>Negative - Can't be a negative</i></p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p><i>North mesa Plan, Open space Mt. Park - Horses the board was able to contribute. strategies will guide the dept.</i></p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</p> <p><i>Community expecting more from the County can provide more or less local - fund a balance more community participation PRB - help celebrate the department accomplishments</i></p>

4 Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?

1st year - figure it out
 2nd year - figured out what is going on & how to move the board forward
 More PRB the out. direction, explore influences during the meetings must active PRB.

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5 Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?

Be more deliberate in actions & communication
 Have PRB more focused & partake w/ staff
 Comp. summary on what has occurred.

6 Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?

Required training for PRB ^{Understand} roles & limits
 Opportunities to excel the new members
 Bring members to a casual form & how the board works! Don't ask questions during the meeting. Maybe a conv. meeting.

7 What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?

Members attend prepared & ready to discuss agenda items.
 Lay out expectations of board & what we need to accomplish.

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NO

9 If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?

NO

10	Do you have any questions of the interview panel? NO
11	<i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</i>

Notes

Thank the applicant for their feedback on the B&C system, and their willingness to continue serving as a Board or Commission member.

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Applicant's Name

PRB
Board or Commission

Emmanuel Aboye
Interviewer Name

11/21/25 8 AM
Date/Time of Interview

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 IN PERSON

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1	<p>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p>Position- be able to supply County Staff and Public- Inform the public- Balance out -</p> <p>negative- Inform the public</p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p>Term- 2 year- North Mesa Plan, Open Space Plan- board to- balance staff- big- Ice rink - Plan to guide use forward accomplishment</p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>Greater community wants more so the county can pay - Balance- more voice- community PRB- do more - RQM - Resolution=</p>

4	<p>Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?</p> <p>First year - what is going on. Second - Steer the PRB in good area. Next term - Teach new member - Present with Staff and vote at each meeting - Be active.</p>
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5	<p>Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?</p> <p>Be forward on all Make the staff and public summary on questions</p>
6	<p>Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?</p> <p>I did the training board and commission - Can't meet out side in public meeting Have a meet should have training Yes or No. Talk with board members Work with Staff to work book -</p>
7	<p>What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?</p> <p>Member to come to the meeting and be prepared - lay out what need to. Task driven -</p>
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9	<p>If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?</p> <p>NO</p>

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Parts + Rec
Board or Commission

David Reagon
Interviewer Name

11/21 8AM
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 Teams

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2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p>N. Mesa plan is a big accomplishment. Master plan is mostly from staff. Ice Rink was important</p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>Community expects more than the board and county can provide. Finding a balance with many voices. Changing budgets are difficult.</p>

4	<p>Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?</p> <p>like to be more deliberate and impactful</p>
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5	<p>Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?</p> <p>Being more deliberate in communications with the public. Partner with staff to get practical recommendations to council.</p>
6	<p>Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?</p> <p>Need some training for new board members. Cannot coach new members w/ quorum and open meetings rules. Want to engage everyone, incl. new members, outside the meetings</p>
7	<p>What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?</p> <p>Need better attendance to stabilize the board membership.</p>
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