

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?

Board of Public Utilities: Submitted

Josip _____ Loncaric _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

875 Totavi St <small>Street Address</small>	_____	Suite or Apt	_____
Los Alamos <small>City</small>	_____	NM	87544
_____	_____	State	Postal Code
josip.socia@comcast.net <small>Email Address</small>	_____		
Mobile: (505) 695-6193 <small>Primary Phone</small>	_____	Alternate Phone	_____

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

Yes No

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

Democrat

How long have you lived in Los Alamos County?

20+ years

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Internet

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.

Member of the Democratic Party of Los Alamos County. No offices held, supporting role only.

Employment and Education

List your current and past employment experience.

Los Alamos National Laboratory's High Performance Computing Technology Futures Lead, 2003-2019, now retired. Prior to joining LANL in 2003, Research Fellow at ICASE and NIA, Langley, Virginia, 1996-2003. Other employment experience upon request.

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

Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics, Harvard University, 1985. M.S. in Applied Mathematics, Harvard University, 1983. B.S. in Physics, MIT, 1982. B.S. in Mathematics, MIT, 1981.

Interests & Experiences

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

In these changing times, it's important for the Los Alamos County to ensure sufficient energy supply, particularly high quality reliable electric power. Ensuring sufficient water supply and capable wastewater systems are also essential for our future prosperity. The Board of Public Utilities provides an opportunity to advise the county on productive and resilient paths forward.

**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'm particularly interested in resilience of our utilities, as well as timely & adequate provisioning to meet future needs of Los Alamos County. In particular, as our power grid and power sources evolve towards greater electrification and smarter infrastructure, it's important to maintain diversity and flexibility in meeting the county's needs. The county already has an efficient approach to buying power, which will adapt and grow as national power infrastructure evolves.

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.

Cornell Wright is my neighbor. To some extent, I have followed his work on the BPU.

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

As LANL's HPC Technology Futures Lead, I worked with the HPC facility managers and LANL's utilities to ensure sufficient power and cooling for future computing needs up to 20 years into the future at the tens of MegaWatt level. This included interactions with Los Alamos Department of Public Utilities, where I learned how power is provisioned to the county and the lab and how power quality is monitored. Regarding computer cooling, I've learned more than I ever thought possible about our water chemistry and wastewater processing, including LANL's SERF plant. For several years, I led student projects on increasing efficiency of evaporative cooling while preventing scaling of the pipes. Their ideas plus lab engineering delivered capable facility upgrades which still serve leading computing facilities at LANL, including plans for the future. I believe that this rich experience can benefit the BPU, including the county's interactions with the lab.

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