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APPLICATION
VOLUNTEER FOR LOS ALAMOS COUNTY
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

(Please be aware that as a public entity, the County of Los Alamos is obligated to furnish this information to the public if so requested. Please also note that current LANL employees, if appointed to a Board or Commission, may be required by LANL to complete a 701 Form.)

NAME: Laura Tietjen **DATE:** 02-02-2017

REGISTERED TO VOTE IN LOS ALAMOS: YES ☒ NO ☐

PARTY AFFILIATION AS REGISTERED:

Democrat ☒ Republican ☐ Independent ☐ None of the Above/Other _____

(Los Alamos County law mandates that no Board/Commission can have more than a simple majority of members from any one political party.)

☒ Verified (For LAC use) 2/7/17 LC

ADDRESS: (Applicants are required to be residents of Los Alamos County)

Los Alamos NM 87544

HOME PHONE: _____ **WORK PHONE:** _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ (Please, no e-mail addresses ending in "lanl.gov")

CELL PHONE: _____

BOARD OR COMMISSION ON WHICH YOU WISH TO SERVE:

Planning and Zoning

HOW DID YOU LEARN OF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION VACANCY?

Tamara Baer and Phil Gursky

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.)

County Charter Section 905.1 allows County employees to serve on Boards or Commissions as non-voting members only.

Questions are on the next page. Please attach additional responses as needed.

Send completed form to:
County Administrator's Office
1000 Central Ave., Suite 350
Los Alamos, NM 87544
Phone: 663-1750 Fax: 662-8079
Email to LACBoards@lacnm.us

1. Why would you like to serve on this particular Board?

My career background is in design and architecture. The built environment and one's surroundings have huge impact on quality of life. I hope to assist and encourage thoughtful and sustainable development in Los Alamos. Planning and zoning has decision making power to generate the positive impact smart development can have on community. Los Alamos is my "home town" and I plan on staying here for the "long haul!"

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

Assoc. AIA member (past)/ LEED AP, Board Member: Secretary - Lemonade Living / Mothers of Pacifica volunteer
Co-founder of LA Kids art co-op, Mountain School PTA member
Education and experience in sustainable design, multi-family housing, single family residential design, commercial and community buildings, an understanding of international building codes, accessibility requirements and public safety, and enthusiastic concern for community/social impact.

3. The time involved may be 10-15 hrs per month or more. Are you able to serve the volunteer hours and attend training needed to perform your duties as an appointee?

I can commit to the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm as advertised on county website

4. 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.)

Support and encourage higher density, affordable housing projects for Los Alamos "work-force" that showcases "mesa living"
/ Support senior living development that embellishes universal design / Support short term housing complex that caters to the student and post-doc community / Minimize parking on the downtown "central ave" strip - support storefront/mixed use development creating better walk-ability for vibrant downtown while encouraging utilizing local bus -INFILL the million sf/ "island effect" of parking happening downtown and condense into local parking structure / Support development encourages affordable retail/ restaurant space consolidated downtown / support policy that eliminates vacancy of commercial spaces/ Encourage planning for recreation spaces, retail/restaurant services, and activities for families

5. 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've attended County council meetings regarding Comp Plan and the Recreation Bond 2017

6. 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?

I have young children - they will always come first should an issue arise...



LOS ALAMOS COUNTY

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Laura Tietjen
Applicant's Name

Planning and Zoning
Board or Commission

Michael Redondo
Interviewer Name

02-14-17, 11:00 A.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	Please tell us a little about yourself and then describe your experience, education, and training that qualify you for this Board or Commission. <i>Major Architecture UNM work experience in VA Commercial institutional + Multifamily housing drafted masterplans plans raised in Los Alamos left and returned</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>People being stuck in their ways an isolated small town makes bringing development in more difficult private funding to bring in a town laid out like a barracks Not super familiar with PZ → Rim trail Bike path</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Advisory to Council</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>being open minded and neutral</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>Communicate → follow up on email extra hugs when necessary Comfortable speaking and conviction about Code</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>Lenore Board - secretary - provide technical support</i> <i>Northern New Mexico Public Officials - Board - dealing with Code - taken course</i> <i>association Safety PTA-member Mountain</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>M is familiarizing with Code through profession</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>Yes > interest in BOA</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>write now - Not a deterrent</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 deterrent</i></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> <p><i>does not foresee conflicts of interest to be a negative impact</i></p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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Laura Tietjen
Applicant's Name

Planning and Zoning
Board or Commission

Paula Gursty
Interviewer Name

02-14-17, 11:00 A.M.
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted: ☒ Personally
☐ Telephone

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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>Marbey in Arch from UNM. Arch work in N. Va., Mett. family housing work in Bay Area, DPS in Alb. & Single Family Work in Los Alamos.</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>People stuck in our ways. Regional isolation makes development difficult. Problems of small town Not yet sure. Positive changes continue</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Advisory to council. Not familiar with Board formalities</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>Open-minded and neutral in making decisions. Agrees with directions of Comp Plan</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>Communicate. Foster comfortable with issues on construction and public safety</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>Lemonade Loving, Board, Secretary and prospectus design</i> <i>North NM PTA Officials Safety</i> <i>PTA Mountain School</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>Getting familiar with Development Code</i> <i>Not familiar with Charter</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>yes, willing to attend multi day conference</i> <i>and</i> <i>willing to be a member of Board of Agents</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>no, Not a deterrent</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>no, does not deter me</i></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> <p><i>Think her background is good for decision making but would have no problem recusing</i></p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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Laura Tietjen
Applicant's Name

Planning and Zoning
Board or Commission

Rick Reiss
Interviewer Name

02-14-17, 11:00 A.M.
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
☒ Personally
☐ Telephone

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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 — Masters-UNM Virginia Tech — started masters 12 yrs — 10 cities — moved a bunch worked with many firms multifamily, Residential, Health Seeking license in NM Raised in CA</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? [Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's position, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>"People stuck in their ways." County — small town, isolated — negatively impacts development P&Z — Not familiar — have not attended but aware of a few</p>
3	<p>How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government?</p> <p>Advisory</p>
4	<p>What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess?</p> <p>open minded — Neutral</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>— Communicate — Follow-up</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>LEMONADE BOARD - Secretary - Organization of Corp! some design Northern NMA Public Safety Board - Building Inspectors Sustained PTA member - Help with events (Mountain PTA)</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>Getting Acquainted with Muni Code - Development Code - Part of her business</p> <p>Charter - No Does have copies of comp plan!</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 - sure BOARD of Adjustment Participation? Yes what do they do?</p>
9	<p>1) 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.</p> <p>2) Is this a deterrent to your willingness to serve on this Board?</p> <p>1) YES 2) 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> <p>Conflicts - will Recuse if there is a conflict, but knowledge of Building code etc will be a benefit</p>
12	<p>Do you have any questions for the interview panel?</p>

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Laura Tietjen
Applicant's Name

Planning and Zoning
Board or Commission

Tamara Baer

Interviewer Name

02-14-17, 11:00 A.M.
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:

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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>LAC: "People are stuck in their ways." Dev. is more difficult here b/c of phys. isolation. LA did not like a barndale - difficult for bus. to cluster. P+Z - depends on specific cases. Reverting to Mixed-Use; Kim Trail</i>
3	How do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? <i>Advisory to Council.</i>
4	What specific skills do you feel are important for effective Board or Commission members? Which ones do you possess? <i>Open-minded and neutral. She understands both liberal and conservative perspectives. Supports good design and everything in the comp. plan.</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>Communicate. She is a strong communicator. Likes email + text. Familiar w. public safety staff and comfortable w. them.</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>Sec. of Lemonade Living. helps w. tech. matters N. NM ^{also} Public Safety officials Bd. - new member. Also attends CAC contractor mtgs. PTA member at Mountain School. Helps w. sister church. * website, logo, campus planning</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>Getting familiar w. County Code through her work. Not familiar w. Charter. Very familiar w. comp plan.</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>Yes. Willing to serve on BOA also.</i></p>
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