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Subject: Online Form Submittal: Board / Committee / Commission Application

Board / Committee / Commission Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:*
Laura McCamy

Email Address:*
[REDACTED]

Gender:
Female

Please specify the Board, Commission or Committee you are applying for:*
[Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee V]

Which Committee Position are you applying for?
*(must match the current vacant position you are applying for)**
[Resident V]

I am currently a member of the above Committee, and am seeking reappointment.*

(X) Yes () No

If you are seeking re-appointment, has any of your information changed within the last 12 months?

() Yes (X) No

If your answer is yes, please complete the rest of this form.

If your information has not changed within the past 12 months, please only enter your name and email information above. You do not need to complete the remainder of this form.

RESIDENCY / EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Home Address:

City: **State:** **Zip**
CA **Code:**

Phone Number:

How long have you lived in Emeryville?

Place of Employment:

Occupation:

Business Address:

City: **State:** **Zip**
CA **Code:**

Phone Number:

How long have you worked in Emeryville?

EDUCATION / EXTRACURRICULAR INTERESTS

High School:

College:

Other Interests:

Bike Commuter of the Year for Alameda County in 2009; freelance writer, including reporting on bicycle and infrastructure issues; active member of Bike East Bay

ADVISORY BODY EXPERIENCE / INFORMATION

Are you currently serving on other Boards, Commissions or Committees? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you served on a Board, Commission or Committee before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please list all past and current City of Emeryville advisory boards.

Please list any past and current board, commission or committee memberships outside of Emeryville.

Please list all organization memberships and positions held.

Please list any relevant work and volunteer experience.

Why are you interested in serving on this Board, Commission or Committee?

PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS ONLY

Please provide a short (300 words or less) statement discussing your ideas and attitudes about planning in Emeryville. Please consider issues such as traffic, industrial and commercial development density, affordable housing, maintaining community diversity and jobs/housing balance.

LAURA MCCAMY



BPAC Committee Application

1. Work History & Education:

Work: I have worked as a paralegal for the past 20 years. In my current job, which I have been at for about 5 years, I work with a team of lawyers on complex litigation involving a wide variety of issues. Additional duties currently include tracking insurance and financial information on almost 300 cases for another team of attorneys. I also ran my own arts business for 18 years. In addition to the creative work, I gained skills in negotiation, administration, and handling legal and regulatory paperwork relating to my business and, above all, being able to pick up new skills as needed.

Education: I graduated cum laude from Yale University where I got my BA and received the Scholar of the House fellowship for creative writing. I have a MA in Women's Studies from Antioch University

2. Past involvement with Emeryville:

My involvement with the City of Emeryville has taken the form of attending and speaking at meetings of the City Council, Planning Commission and General Planning workshops. I have been involved in neighborhood issues, including meetings with developers of nearby projects. I have volunteered to staff one of Emeryville's energizer stations on Bike to Work Day for I have attended a few BPAC meetings. A conflict with my work hours and the very limited time for public comment have lead me to voice my concerns and comments about biking issues directly to Peter Schultz-Allen or to other members of the committee. (if placed on the committee, I will flex my work time and will be able to attend all meetings).

3. My interest in this committee:

On Bike to Work Day this year, I had a chance to look through Emeryville's long-term bike plan. I was impressed by how many of the recommended improvements have been completed. I would like to see Emeryville continue to plan and implement improvements for cyclists and pedestrians and I would love to be part of that process. In addition to the exciting projects currently in the works for new bike/ped bridges at 53rd and 65th Streets, I would like to see the City plan bike routes that create cross-town connections and close some of the gaps in the current network of bike lanes. In addition, I think there are a number of actions that could be taken quickly and with minimal expenditure that would improve the lives of cyclists and walkers, such as fixing the cycles at certain traffic signals and painting bike insignia on loop sensors so cyclists know where to stop to trigger traffic signals. I would also like to see

more public involvement with the Bike-Ped Committee. I would be interested in organizing events to get input from Emeryville residents and from people who commute here by bike (or would like to) to find out what's working for them and what improvements would help them get out of their cars.

I think I have a lot to offer the committee. My legal background means that I am good at reading and interpreting statutes and I'm not afraid of legalese. I am an excellent writer and communicator. And I am a bit of a bike planning geek; I spend my free time reading up on livable cities policy and planning. I am quick to learn new skills and I look forward to learning more about planning bike and pedestrian friendly streets and working with the merchants and residents to build consensus on planned improvements.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for this committee. Keep up the good work!

Sandra Miller

TS - Forget to mention - I was
The Alameda County Bike
Commuter of the year in 2009.
I ride every day of the year in
Emeryville!
me.