

Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application

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Board and Commission Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

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Title	Mr.
First Name	Alec
Last Name	Howard
Today's Date	9/15/2020
Street Address	1101 McKenzie Ave #203
City	BELLINGHAM
Zip	98225
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Primary Telephone	4252418326
Secondary Telephone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Email Address	ALECINBELLINGHAM@GMAIL.COM

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee	Climate Impact Advisory Committee
Climate Impact Advisory Committee Position:	I have previous work or educational experience in climate change.
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 1
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	No
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	<i>Field not completed.</i>
9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities,	Currently I work with Bellewood Farms and the Outback farm on Western's campus. I have worked for the City of Arcata and City of Sunnyvale's Environmental Services Departments in California on waste reduction and water-related programs. I served as the only student body representative to Humboldt

and education

State University's Climate Action Committee during their climate action planning process in 2016, working with administrators and staff to develop a climate action plan for the university. I am well educated on the topic of climate change, having studied Environmental Engineering at Humboldt State University and Environmental Policy at Western Washington University. I have also started two small businesses, sat on the board of directors of a nonprofit, and volunteered with a number of local organizations. I write about the City of Bellingham's climate action planning process for Whatcom Watch and sit on the County's Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, as well as the County Climate Impact Advisory Committee's Transportation Work Group, where I am currently helping develop Whatcom County's Climate Action Plan. So I am familiar with the Climate Impact Advisory Committee's work. I am confident my experience prepares me well to succeed in this position.

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I am interested in serving on the Climate Impact Advisory Committee because I understand the complexity and seriousness of the impacts of a changing climate and am committed to keeping Whatcom County a safe and prosperous place to live with my family. I am aware of the cultural and economic concerns that many of our community members have about transformative change, and hope I can help the Climate Impact Advisory Committee and the Council navigate the challenges we face equitably and effectively. I believe my skills and work ethic will be valuable to this committee.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Chris Elder (360-778-6225)
Kaylee Galloway (425-417-0904)

Signature of applicant:

Alec Howard

Place Signed / Submitted

Bellingham, WA

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