



Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

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Title Mr.

First Name Geoff

Last Name Klise

Today's Date 10/13/2023

Street Address

[REDACTED]

City Bellingham

Zip 98229

Do you live in & are you
registered to vote in Whatcom
County? Yes

Do you have a different mailing
address? Field not completed.

Primary Telephone

[REDACTED]

Secondary Telephone Field not completed.

Email Address gklise@gmail.com

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee	Parks and Recreation Commission
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 2
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	I currently manage a wind energy research & development group at Sandia National Laboratories. Past education includes a B.S. in Environmental & Engineering Geology from WWU in 1998, and Masters in Water Resources Management from the University

occupation if retired),
qualifications, professional
and/or community activities,
and education

of New Mexico in 2006. I am a licensed Geologist and Hydrogeologist in Washington. I currently volunteer for the WMBC.

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

I am an avid hiker, runner, and mountain biker and use many of the parks in Whatcom County on a regular basis. One of the reasons I moved back to Bellingham/Whatcom County was due to the great network of trails and open spaces that I can easily access from many different parts of town. As the county grows, we need to ensure open space greenways can continue to be built, connecting the different neighborhoods and cities within the county. We also need to better understand and educate the public on user conflicts that arise based on different modes of transportation (walk, run, hike, bike, e-bike, equestrian) as the existing network of

References (please include
daytime telephone number):

Kim Ninneman: [REDACTED]
Shelley Johnson: [REDACTED]

Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

Signature of applicant:

Geoff Klise

Place Signed / Submitted

Home - Bellingham, WA