

Planning Commission: Jim Hansen

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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	Jim
Last Name	Hansen
Today's Date	12/21/2019
Street Address	2418 Keesling Street
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	3606768014
Secondary Telephone	3604101991
Email Address	jh_mk1234@msn.com

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Planning Commission

Committee

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

[Jim Hansen Resume PC.pdf](#)

9. Please describe your occupation (or former

I am retired from multiple careers, including Forestry and managing the Lummi Nation Salmon Habitat Restoration

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

Program for 10 years. During my career and since, I have engaged in multiple volunteer activities pertinent to the position, including membership on the Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee, Whatcom County Flood Advisory Committee and TheWRIA1 Environmental Caucus. I have also participated in providing input and actual text for County Planning and Regulatory documents. (Please See Resume for Details)

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

I'm interested in being on this board because it is an opportunity to give back to this wonderful community to help secure a better future for future generations. I also consider it is my civic duty, given my qualifications, experience and having the available time. With my background in business, contracting and environmental recovery; I think I can bring a cost benefits approach to problem solving for the common good.

References (please
include daytime
telephone number):

Peter Stark Whatcom Transit Authority Manager 360 676-7433
Carl Weimer National Pipeline Safety Trust Director 360 543-5686
Dan McShane Engineer Former Councilperson 360 714-9409
Rod Burton Community Member 360 676-0156

Signature of applicant:

James E Hansen

Place Signed /
Submitted

Bellingham, WA

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Resume

Jim Hansen
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Bellingham, WA
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Educational

1972 BS in Sociology/Anthropology WWU

Work History

1973-1976 Forest Fire Crew for USFS and other seasonal labor
1976-1983 Co-owner, Marmot Inc., Forestry Contracting
1983-1989 Co-owner, Landmark Enterprises, General Contractor
1989-1993 Founding Program Coordinator, Lummi Nation Crime victims Program
1994-2010 Foreman then Program Coordinator, Lummi Nation Salmon Habitat Recovery Program

Volunteer Positions

1989-1993 Board Member and President, Brigid Collins House for At Risk Children and Families
1990-1993 Board Member, Whatcom County Domestic Violence Coalition
1992-1994 Board Member, Governor's Jail Industries Task Force
1990-2010 President, Nooksack (Salmon) Recovery Team
2008-2014 Member Whatcom County Flood Advisory Committee
2010-2016 Member Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association, Habitat Committee
2012-2019 Member Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee
2012-2019 Member WRIA1 Environmental Caucus

Honors

1999 Washington State Recipient National Eco-System Enhancement Award
2007 Lummi Natural Resources Department, Manger of the Year, First Salmon Ceremony
2010 RESources Environmental Hero

Other Relevant Experience

- As a citizen activist, crafted wording for several clauses adopted as Amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan update.
- As a citizen activist, crafted wording for several clauses adopted as Amendments to the Whatcom County Critical Areas Ordinance update.
- As a Marine Resources Committee member, crafted led a team that produced a new Marine Resources Area Section to amend the Comprehensive Plan Chapter 8. This is now part of the Shoreline Management Program Update Process.
- As a citizen activist, provided input into the Scoping Process for the Shoreline Management Program Update currently underway.
- As a citizen activist, provided input into the Whatcom County Watershed Management Plan Update process, both at the local and State levels.
- Have provided testimony at dozens of County Council and Planning Commission meetings.