Wednesday, July 26, 2023 1:00:58 PM

Board and Commission Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

Committee

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Ms.
First Name	Kristi
Last Name	PARK
Today's Date	7/26/2023
Street Address	
City	
Zip	
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	
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	
Step 2	
1. Name of Board or	Wildlife Advisory Committee

Wildlife Advisory Committee (WAC) Position:	I have relevant professional experience in a field not listed. See question 9.
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 4
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	Attached

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	I am a WA-licensed landscape architect and planner who specializes in community engagement. I might be helpful on this board as well with my interest and experience in urban ecological processes. My work specializes in the intersection between wildlife and humans from both a flora and fauna perspective.				
10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission	I had originally expressed interest in the noxious weeds board and am likely best suited for that board, but just in case the wildlife board is interested in an urban ecology perspective, I can contribute that expertise to this commission.				
References (please include daytime telephone number):					
Appointment Requirements	I understand and agree				
Signature of applicant:	Kristi M. Park				
Place Signed / Submitted					
	(Section Break)				

Kristina M Park, PLA Landscape Architect | Project Manager

EDUCATION

University of Washington Master of Landscape Architecture, Cum Laude Graduate	2011
University of Washington Certificate of Business Administration	2008

Washington State University | B.A. Political Science, Minor in History 1999

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE + PROJECT MANAGEMENT + LAND USE PLANNING PRACTICE

BioDesign Studio | Owner, Principal Landscape Architect + Urban Designer

2018 - Present

- Business owner and principal landscape architect responsible for all day-to-day operations of the business including proposals, contracts, accounting, tax filings, invoicing, building design teams, and customer service.
- Responsible for all aspects of design projects from concept to construction administration.
- Develop and put on community engagement activities and events.
- Host internships and present at conferences.
- Provide site planning and planting design with a focus on climate resiliency and engagement of traditionally underserved communities.
- Key clients include Mercy Housing NW, City of Kirkland, Skagit Fisheries, Ecolibrium Farms, Western Washington University, and RMC Architects.

UW, WWU, and Washington State U | Part-time Faculty

2018 - Present

- Serve as instructor for a wide variety of studios, labs, and lecture courses.
- Publishing editor, grant participant, public presentations, and article contributor.

The West Studio | Project Manager + Landscape Architect

2017 - 2018

- Manage all aspects of landscape architecture and urban design projects.
- Train junior staff to learn to develop construction documents and design methodologies.
- Gain new clients and projects through proposal writing and networking.
- Increase visibility within the landscape architecture industry through marketing, and graphic development.
- Lead inclusive and innovative community engagement events.
- Key clients included: Ballard Alliance, Stillaguamish Tribe, DESC, Tacoma Housing Services, and Tolowa Tribe.

Core Design | Landscape Architect / Designer

2013 - 2017

- Create concept designs, develop construction documentation, and process permit applications.
- Train junior staff to learn to develop construction documents and design methodologies.
- Support business development efforts through graphic RFQ/RFP proposals.

- Increase visibility within the landscape architecture industry through marketing, and graphic development.
- Key Clients included: City of Mill Creek, Pulte Homes, and Polygon NW

Site Workshop | Landscape Designer

2012 - 2013

• Support project managers in developing graphic illustrations, proposal writing, and preparing public meeting presentations for Amazon's South Lake Union Headquarters in Seattle, WA.

Pacific Telecom Services | Business Development + Project Manager

2003 - 2008

- Responsible for project management of high-profile wireless infrastructure projects in Washington, California, and Idaho.
- Generated over \$1,000,000 in new client revenue in less than 12 months.
- Represented company at national conferences
- Trained junior staff in site acquisition, land use planning, and business development.
- Key clients included: T-Mobile, AT&T, King County, and Verizon Wireless

Parsons Engineering | Public Policy Specialist

2002 - 2003

- Represented Cingular Wireless to help local and state agencies navigate wireless infrastructure land use and SEPA zoning code.
- Drafted zoning code language.
- Managed public meeting procedures for projects with high public interest throughout the PNW.

SBA Telecom | Land Use Planner

2000 - 2002

- Managed all aspects of permit processing for wireless infrastructure projects for AT&T in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.
- Performed all aspects of permit applications and SEPA checklists, managed the permit processing at a local level, obtained permits, and met aggressive client infrastructure goals.

Mietzner Land Development | Development Manager

1999 - 2000

• Managed land development projects including representing clients in public meetings, land-use processes, and coordination.

SELECT WORKS: PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Millworks Project Affordable Housing Community + Food Campus, Bellingham, WA In Permitting

Project Partners Mercy Housing NW, Whatcom Community Foundation
Services Provided Community Engagement + Landscape Architecture
Design Team RMC Architects, Wilson Engineering, BioDesign Studio

Ecolibrium Farms, 12 Acre Resilient Market Garden Farm, Woodinville, WA

In Planning

Project Partners Ecolibrium Farms

Services Provided Project Feasibility | Landscape Architecture

Design Team Graham Baba, M | G Surveyors, Wetland Resources, BioDesign

Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group + Forterra, Hamilton, WA

In Planning

Project Partners Forterra and Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group
Services Provided Trail Design + Environmental Education Signage

Design Team BioDesign Studio

Western Washington University, Healing Garden Concept Design, Bellingham, WA

Completed 2021

Project Partners Western Washington University

Services Provided Concept Design, Cost Estimating, Public Presentation

Design Team BioDesign Studio

Kirkland Greenways Public Art Installation, N+S Rose Hill Neighborhood, Kirkland, WA

Completed 2021

Project Partners Kirkland Art Commission | Kirkland Public Works

Services Provided Community Engagement | Design | Fabrication | Installation

Design Team BioDesign Studio | Coffman Engineers

Bellingham Waterfront Shipping Container Pop-Up Masterplan, Bellingham, WA

Completed 2020

Project Partners Port of Bellingham | Shintaffer Beverages | COUrban

Services Provided Master planning | Community Engagement

Design Team COUrban | BioDesign Studio

Additional Selected Projects Performed While Employed with other Design Firms

Stillaguamish Tribe Conservation Community (Multi-Phased) Arlington, WA

Designed while employed with The West Studio, Projects included: Canoe Workshop, completed in 2019, Wellness & Health Center completed 2021, Open Space Park System Masterplan completed 2021, Elder's Supportive Housing completed in 2021

Tolowa Community Masterplan (Multi-Phased) Smith River, CA

Designed + Developed while employed with The West Studio, Concept Design Completed 2018

DESC Supportive Housing, Seattle, WA

Designed while employed with The West Studio, Constructed 2018

North Hill Housing Neighborhood + Parks, Duvall, WA

Designed while employed with Core Design, Inc., Constructed 2018

Buffalo Park - Public Park, Mill Creek, WA

Designed while employed with Core Design, Inc., Constructed 2017

Amazon South Lake Union

Graphic + design support performed while employed with Site Workshop. Construction 2019

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERISM

2021 – 2022	Squalicum High School Community Art Project Advisor + Project Manager, Bellingham, WA
2011 – 2021	Professional Critiques, University of Washington Final Studio Presentations (served as a final project reviewer for several studios annually)
2020	Equal Justice Initiative, Volunteer Donation Organizer, 1-week social media campaign \$1,200 raised https://eji.org/
2018 – 2020	Happy Valley Elementary Mathematics Classroom Volunteer
2015 – 2018	BF Day Elementary Play Improvements, Steering Committee Member
2018	R.A.I.N Animal Rescue, Foster Dog Volunteer Pregnant Dog Fostering
2013	Seattle Aquarium Volunteer Beach Naturalist
2011 – 2013	Friends of Green Lake Volunteer Vice President (2012)
2013	Mercy Corps, Volunteer Donation Organizer, 2 week social media campaign for Haiti \$1,175 raised https://www.mercycorps.org/
2008 – 2009	Friends of Seward Park Play Improvement Steering Committee Member
2005	Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board Board Member
2000 – 2005	Team and Training Volunteer Marathon Coach + Participant

TECHNICAL + MAKER SKILLS

FLUENT	AutoCad,	Construction	Docum	entation,	Land F/X,	Sketchup +	- Podium	Rendering,	Canvas,

Online Survey Tools, Adobe Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, MS Office

FAMILIAR Bluebeam, Rhino, Lumion Rendering, Wood Working + Carpentry Skills