

Mrs Towhee Wean - District 2

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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	Mrs.
First Name	Towhee
Last Name	Wean
Today's Date	1/6/2020
Street Address	2320 Williams St.
City	Bellingham
Zip	98225
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	3607149517
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Email Address	towheewean@hotmail.com

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee	Planning 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 occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	Currently I work at home taking care of my two children and providing childcare for my sisters youngest child. Most recently, I worked part time for Beth Hartsoch's Bellingham City Council campaign. From 2008 to 2015, prior to my second child being born, I owned and operated a masonry contracting business providing custom stone and tile installation for local fine home builders and residential clients. From 1999 to 2008 I worked for

my father learning the trade and craft of masonry for 10 years before he retired and I took over the business.

In 1999 I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with a marine emphasis. Additionally, I have attended Whatcom Community College and graduated from Bellingham High School.

I am passionate about volunteering in the community in areas where I feel like I can make a difference. I have served as the Vice President of the board for Children's Co-op Preschool for three terms. I joined the board of the Riveters Collective after serving on their endorsement committee in 2017. I helped coordinate the Womxn March on Bellingham in 2016 and the People's Movement Assembly in 2017. I have also helped with numerous events for the Riveters Collective like No Hate in Ferndale, Pledge to Vote campaign, and Let's Talk as well as other community events like a garage sale for Homes Now Not Later.

I have spent my life working productively with a wide range of people such as construction workers, scientists, progressive activists and preschool families. I am not afraid to put myself out there, work hard and get results.

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

As a lifelong Whatcom County resident I have lived in several communities throughout the county, including Lummi Island, Nooksack, Maple Falls, and Bellingham. I care deeply about all corners of Whatcom County and the people that call it home. I am a scientist by education, trades person in the construction industry, small business owner, environmentalist and mother. I can see the push and pull between often conflicting interests in our community. I am passionate about following scientific data to grow our community to protect everything we love about its natural beauty and mitigate climate change. We need to be smart about how we are going to meet the challenges that growth is bringing our way. I want to be able to tell my children I did the best I could to protect their little corner of the world.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Beth Hartsoch (360) 3055624
David Brown (360) 920-4941

Signature of applicant:

Towhee Wean

Place Signed / Submitted

Bellingham, WA

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