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Subject: Online Form Submittal: Advisory Group Application

Advisory Group Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group 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 Deon

Last Name Wolfenbarger

Today's Date 9/16/2025

Street Address

City DEMING, WA

Zip 98244

Do you live in Whatcom County? Yes

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

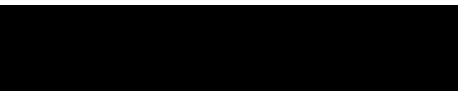
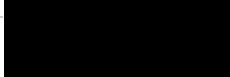

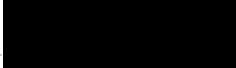
Primary Telephone

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Email Address

Step 2

1. Name of Advisory Group 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 3
4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group	No
5. 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
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	
7. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	Historic Preservation planner & consultant. Staff for multiple historic preservation boards & commissions. Masters in Landscape Architecture (all but thesis).
8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.	Hope to work with commission on long-term planning for the historic resources managed by the Whatcom Parks & Recreation department. Personal interest in hiking & water recreation.
References (please include daytime telephone number):	<p>Ray Rears; County Manager; Gilpin County, </p> <p>Peter Droege; Chairman, Belvidere Theater Foundation, Central City, CO & Grants Program Officer, Daniels Fund; </p> <p>Dan Corson; Intergovernmental Services Director (retired), Colorado State Historic Preservation Office; </p>

Appointment Requirements I understand and agree

Signature of applicant: Deon K Wolfenbarger

Place Signed / Submitted Deming, WA

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Deon Wolfenbarger

EXPERIENCE

Historic Preservation Consultant

1986-2000, 2003-current

Consultant to government agencies and private companies for a variety of preservation planning activities, including:

- National Register of Historic Places nominations
- Historic and architectural surveys
- Preservation ordinances
- Design Guidelines
- Preservation plans
- Grant applications

Survey Coordinator

2004- 2005

Colorado Preservation Inc., Denver, CO

Project director for New Deal survey and National Register project in Eastern Colorado.

- Inventory of over 120 New Deal construction projects
- Development of statewide New Deal historic context
- National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form submission

Historic Preservation Officer

2000 - 2003

City of Boulder, Boulder, CO

Historic Preservation program director, responsible for coordinating program activities.

- Review for Landmark Alteration Certificates
- Landmark and district designations
- Review of demolitions for non-landmarked buildings over 50 years in age
- Review of state tax credit projects
- Coordination of survey projects
- Amendments to Boulder Revised Code and long-range plan
- Public education
- Grant applications and administration
- Commission training
- Special projects

Acting Planner II

1993, 1998

City of Kansas City, Kansas City, MO

- Developed residential design guidelines
- Review for Certificates of Appropriateness
- Landmark designations
- Review of state tax credit projects
- Grant applications
- Public education

Acting Community Development Coordinator

1989

City of Liberty, Liberty, MO

- Review for Certificates of Appropriateness
- Landmark designations
- Historic District Review Commission training

Preservation Education Planner

1985-1986

Georgia State Historic Preservation Office, Atlanta, GA

Information and education coordinator for statewide preservation activities and programs.

- SHPO liaison with preservation organizations, CLGs, and Main Street managers
- Developed workshops and meetings
- Technical assistance requests concerning state programs and general preservation topics
- Developed and implemented a statewide preservation information system
- Presentations to local organizations
- Statewide preservation newsletter

Architect Technician

1984-1985

Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site, National Park Service, Atlanta, GA

- Architectural and historic landscape assessment studies.
- Historic resource survey
- Archival research, oral interviews
- Planning and site development for park district

EDUCATION

University of Illinois

1980-1982

Masters in Landscape Architecture (all but thesis)

Concentration: Preservation Planning and Environmental History

Kansas State University

1979-1980

Course work towards *Masters in Landscape Architecture***University of Missouri**

1974-1977

Bachelors of General Studies. Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Concentration: Art/Architectural History and Landscape Design

PUBLICATIONS

A Legacy of Design

Co-editor. Kansas City: Kansas City Center for Design Education and Research, 1995.

Pioneers of American Landscape Design II.

Contributor. Washington, D.C., U.S. Department of the Interior, 1995.

Pioneers of American Landscape Design.

Contributor. New York: McGraw-Hill, 2000.

"Down at the Depot." *Kansas Preservation.* Vol. 25, Number 6, November/December 2003."A Tale of Two Cities: Manhattan's and Wichita's African American Communities." *Kansas Preservation.* Vol. 32, Number 1, 2012."Depression, Drought, and Dust: A New Deal for Colorado." "Researching New Deal Projects." *Colorado Preservationist.* Vol. 18, No. 4. Winter 2004/05.