

**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application  
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## Board and Commission Application

### Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

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#### Public Statement

*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.*

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Title Ms.

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First Name DIANE

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Last Name HARPER

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Today's Date 10/7/2023

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Street Address [REDACTED]

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City [REDACTED]

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Zip [REDACTED]

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

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

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Primary Telephone [REDACTED]

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Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

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Email Address [REDACTED]

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### Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee Lummi Island Ferry Advisory Committee

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Lummi Island Ferry  
Advisory Committee  
Position:

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I am a resident or property owner on Lummi Island.

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2. Do you meet the  
residency,  
employment, and/or  
affiliation requirements  
of the position for  
which you're applying?

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Yes

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3. Which Council  
district do you live in?

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District 5

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4. Are you a US  
citizen?

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Yes

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5. Are you registered to  
vote in Whatcom  
County?

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Yes

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6. Have you declared  
candidacy (as defined  
by RCW 42.17A.055)  
for a paid elected office  
in any jurisdiction  
within the county?

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No

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7. Have you ever been  
a member of this  
Board/Commission?

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No

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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?

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No

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You may attach a  
resume or detailed  
summary of  
experience,  
qualifications, &  
interest in response to  
the following questions

*Field not completed.*

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9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

Retired after many years employment by engineering firms and governments. Worked for Whatcom County from 1984 - 1993 in the Planning Department; also have worked for King County Metro and the state of Arizona. Master's degree in Environmental Planning from Arizona State University. Served on the 2011 Citizen's Task Force for the Lummi Island Ferry by County Council appointment. Currently the Treasurer for Friends of Island Library and active in several community groups.

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

The next few months are going to be particularly hectic for the FAC in order for them to advise the Council and Executive well. I have the skills to "staff" such an effort, including excellent public outreach, data analysis, and committee process skills. I understand the effort needed right now, and think that the best way I can help is by being a member for the next year. I very much want to see the FAC become as useful and productive as was the 2011 Task Force, and believe that it is extremely important for the FAC to bring the community along in understanding ferry finances and future fare needs.

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References (please include daytime telephone number):

Rhayma Blake, former LIFAC chair: 360-758-4131  
Bob Anderson, moderator for the LI Work Group: 206-733-0432  
Pat Dunn, CPA and former CFO for WTA: 206-321-0433

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Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

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Signature of applicant:

Diane E. Harper

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Place Signed / Submitted



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