



Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

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Title *Field not completed.*

First Name Michael

Last Name Parker

Today's Date 4/9/2019

Street Address 2424 Ellis 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.*

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Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

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1. Name of Board or Committee **Housing Advisory 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?	Yes
If yes, please explain	I work for the Opportunity Council as Director of the Whatcom Homeless Service Center which has contracts with the Whatcom County Health Dept.
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	I have worked for the Opportunity Council as Director of the Whatcom Homeless Service Center since December of 2015. I am honored to direct our Homeless Outreach Team, Coordinated Entry for families who are homeless, and a robust Master Leasing rental program through the US Dept of Housing and Urban Development. I have worked in areas of housing and homelessness since 2009 and have had roles in case management, and have been directing programs at the OC and previously at Catholic Community Services. I have a Master of Social Work degree and am dedicated to helping all Whatcom County residents find safe and affordable housing.
10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission	As the director who oversees Coordinated Entry services for families experiencing homelessness in our county through contract with Whatcom County and City of Bellingham, I have a unique holistic view of the county-wide nature of this issue and am well-versed in both the challenges and effective strategies at reducing homelessness.
References (please include daytime telephone number):	Ann Deacon, Whatcom County Human Services Manager, 360 778-6054
Signature of applicant:	Michael Parker
Place Signed / Submitted	Bellingham, WA