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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	Ms.
First Name	Alisha
Last Name	Spencer
Today's Date	1/12/2021
Street Address	711 17th 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	4253191486
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	a_spencer88@yahoo.com
Step 2	
1. Name of Board or	Child & Family Well-Being Task Force

Committee

Child & Family Well- Being Task Force	Yes
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 1
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
lf yes, please explain	My husband and I own (he operates) Just Poke in Downtown Bellingham.
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience,	Field not completed.

qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	I am a homemaker my husband and I own a local restaurant together, which he operates. As far as community experience, I've served on the Bellingham Roller Betties Board of Directors where I assisted in duties of league business including event planning, budgeting and community relations. As a skater I had the honor of representing BRB at various community events and organizations.
10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission	The issues of race, poverty, drug addiction/ alcoholism, mental illness and parental incarceration have all played an active role in my early life. My family and I may not live in the reality of poverty any longer, however, it is clear that the stressors, lack of community support, and stigma had long term lasting repercussions on the health of my immediate family. I am interested in serving on this board, not as a professional in the community, but as a mother and someone with experience watching my family living within these systems and experience with the lasting effects of being let down by them. I am interested in what happens to these groups of folks in a community when they feel seen, heard and represented. I hope that I am able to lend my voice to this effort, if not, I am at least heartened to know this is a conversation that is happening within our community.
References (please include daytime telephone number):	Emmelina Mojica (360)223-8146 Jessica Parrish (425)501-0002 Christina King (206)788-5745
Signature of applicant:	Alisha Spencer
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