

Entry #: 488 - Environmental Advisory Board

Status: Submitted

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Applications are held by the [Town Clerk](#) until such time that a vacancy occurs. Please note, your completed form is subject to public inspection upon request.

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**Original Submittal****I'm interested in serving on... \***

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| <input type="radio"/> Bee City Committee                      | <input type="radio"/> Planning Board              |
| <input type="radio"/> Board of Adjustment                     | <input type="radio"/> Public Art Committee        |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Environmental Advisory Board | <input type="radio"/> Transit Advisory Committee  |
| <input type="radio"/> Housing Advisory Board                  | <input type="radio"/> Tree Citizen Advisory Panel |
| <input type="radio"/> Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission  |   |

**Are you affiliated with the development community (developer's engineer, developer, etc.)?**

- ☐ Yes ☒ No

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve? \***

- ☐ Friend / Neighbor ☒ Town Website ☐ Facebook ☐ Nextdoor ☐ Twitter ☐

**Candidate Contact Information****Legal Name \***

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**Preferred First Name***(if different from Legal first name)***Address \***

1204 Celestine Place		
Apex	North Carolina	27502

**Do you live within the Apex town limits? \***

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)? \***

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Email \*****Mobile Phone \*****Alternate Phone (work/home)**

Background Information

Current Employer

UNC-Chapel Hill

Current Job Title

Student

Tell us why you would like to serve? \*

As a young adult, I want to serve my hometown of Apex, NC by increasing engagement and perspectives on environmental justice and policies in this town. I believe that in order to better impact our community's sustainability, we need education and action from all parties involved, and getting young people involved into such initiatives is key to increasing awareness and the likelihood for environmentally-friendly practices to occur. In addition, as a BIPOC person living in an immigrant family with the added perspectives of LGBTQ+ identities and a passion for accessibility, I want to work with policies in Apex to help increase our authentic engagement with members of the community. I love Apex, and I decided to transfer from Saint Louis University after doing policy work in the St. Louis community because I realized that I have a commitment to Apex, and the state of North Carolina to utilize the lessons I've learned and the passion I have nurtured into one that helps bring equitable change to my hometown.

Please list any education, special skills, or experience you have that would be useful while considering this form. \*

Although I am still in university, I am getting my degree in public health. I was in my former institution's student government, and worked with some of the student communities to discuss environmental justice and accessibility, working with administration to bring about policy changes. My experience working on increasing communication and engagement while advocating for university policy change as well as my work in the St. Louis community with harm-reduction practices related to substance use, the reproductive justice movement both on campus and in the greater St. Louis area, and my initiatives to build community for QTPOC at my school are all exemplary of my commitment to increasing authentic engagement, and my coursework in public health and community wellness give me some background on how environmental health contributes to bettering community health.

If you now serve, or have previously served on any town boards, commissions or committees, please list the committees and dates served. \*

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