



**CITY OF FRUITA  
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

BOARD OR COMMISSION:	Planning Commission		
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How long have you been a resident of Fruita?	8 months
Occupation/Employer:	Self employed - data engineer and analyst

List any volunteer and/or work experience:

15 years as an engineer and data scientist in the energy and efficiency industries.  
Previous board experience: Boulder Junction Access District (parking/TDM; chair; 5yr),  
Colorado CarShare (3yr), HOA (president; 7yr), Boulder Flood Relief (2013 floods; co-chair; 3yr)

Are you presently serving on a board or commission? If so, which one(s)?

No

Why do you want to be a member of this board or commission?

As new residents who plan to call Fruita home for years to come, my partner and I are deeply invested in ensuring the town grows in a way that benefits all residents. I want to join the Planning Commission because land use decisions shape not just physical spaces, but also equity, opportunity, affordability, sustainability, and community well-being. By balancing thoughtful development with preservation of what makes Fruita special, we can create a thriving, inclusive town for generations.

List any abilities, skills, or interests which are applicable to the board or commission for which you are applying.

In addition to municipal board experience at the intersection of parking policy, transportation modes, and housing affordability, I also have professional experience related to environmental impacts of land use decisions. I've also been engaged in community efforts to effect zoning changes. I've witnessed the good, bad, and ugly of public engagement. I admire the civility and efficiency of the engagement I've seen thus far in Fruita's board, commission, and council meetings.

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Are you committed to attending meetings?

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Yes

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No

Are you committed to serving an entire term?

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Yes

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No

Please specify any activities which might create serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to a particular board or commission. (If unsure, please call the City Manager's office at 858-3663)

As a homeowner in Fruita, I can imagine scenarios where I would need to recuse myself from planning commission discussions. For example, if I or a neighbor were making requests of planning commission.

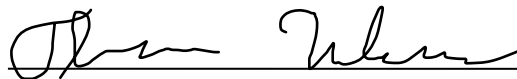
List any licenses, certificates or other specialized training applicable to the board or commission for which you are applying.

none

Additional information or references you believe may be helpful in considering your application.

If needed, I'm happy to provide contact information for previous coworkers, peer board members, and board support staff.

Signature



Date 3/25/2025

All applicants are strongly encouraged to attend a regularly scheduled meeting of the board or commission for which they are applying. Frequent non-attendance may result in termination of the appointment.

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**ATTACHMENTS TO APPLICATION MUST BE LIMITED TO TWO PAGES**

Please feel free to submit a resume along with this application. Application and any attachments should be returned to the Fruita City Council c/o the City Clerk, 325 E. Aspen, Fruita, CO 81521. Although we have indicated the best time to apply for a particular board, we accept applications for any of the boards year-round. Thank you.