

**Kim Gibeau**

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**To:** Kim Gibeau  
**Subject:** Application for Boards & Commissions

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**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Full Name Malissa J Bahr

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**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Please select all Boards & Commissions on which you would like to serve.

Boards & Commissions ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Occupation: President of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce

Qualifications:

I have spent the majority of my career working with and helping rural leaders and communities develop plans to help them grow in intentional ways. Here is a brief summary of my qualifications:

- President, Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce: Leadership role in supporting and driving economic growth and development in the Grand Rapids area.
- 20+ years of experience in rural community leadership and development: Extensive background in understanding rural communities' unique needs and challenges, coupled with a proven track record of implementing effective strategies for growth and sustainability.
- Elected District 318 school board member: Experience in governance, policy-making, and community engagement within the education sector, contributing to advancing local educational initiatives.
- I have a history of working with diverse stakeholders to identify unique needs and perspectives to help inform a more equitable solution.
- Long-standing engagement in the Grand Rapids community since 1999: Demonstrated commitment to the community's well-being through active involvement in various volunteer roles across different sectors, consistently striving to enhance the health and vitality of the community.
  
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Additional Comments:

I became interested in serving on the Economic Development Authority when I became President of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce. In working with the EDA on projects like HWY35 and Downtown planning, I can see a clear connection and synergy that can help our area grow with intention and planning. Our community is on fire with new entrepreneurs and business growth...I want to be part of the keeping that moving forward.

City Relationships: No

If yes to previous question:

Residency: No

DATA AUTHORIZATION: Email Address

AGREE:

- I agree to inform the City Clerk's office of any change indicated above.
- I agree to relinquish and waive all claims that may arise against the City, its agents or employees for releasing any and all authorized data referenced above relating to this application.
- I understand and agree that as a member of a City of Grand Rapids Commission/Board that I will be utilizing my private email address for official City business. I further understand that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13 (Data Practices), that upon request from City Administration that I must provide emails relative to City business to fulfill all data practice requests. Failure to do so could be deemed a Misdemeanor pursuant to Minnesota Law.
- I agree that by submitting this application, I am stating that the statements and information provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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