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Appointed Boards, Committees & Commission: Application for Appointment Consideration

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Town Council	Architectural Review Board
Planning Commission	Board of Zoning Appeals

Please use the space below or attach a letter describing your interest in being part of the Town's governmental process and how you feel you can contribute.

For additional information, please contact the Clerk of Council, Kim Henry, at khenry@townofhaymarket.org or by phone at 703-753-2600x205.

I write in interest to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals in the Town of Haymarket, Virginia, and submit my application for appointment consideration. I have lived in the Town of Haymarket with my family since July 2019, and have had the honor of serving on the Town's Planning Commission since April 2023, including serving as Planning Commission Vice Chair since July 2024. I am interested in the Board of Zoning Appeals role due to its opportunity, on behalf of the Town and its residents, to consider both sides fairly in ensuring an appropriate administrative zoning decision has been made in line with the Town's Zoning Ordinance, as well as to consider and decide appropriately on applications for relief from certain provisions of the Town's Zoning Ordinance and to provide interpretations of the Town's Zoning Map as the needs arise.

I am professionally trained as an urban and regional planner, having received my Master's in City and

Regional Planning from Rutgers University in the Spring of 2019. I am also currently a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), the nationally accepted professional certification in the field, which requires adherence to a Code of Ethics. With my background in planning, and as an ethical person that can fairly consider facts to make a decision, I have the ability to provide an understanding of the Town's Zoning Ordinance and can sort through and analyze reasons for and against a particular decision in order to ensure a most appropriate decision has been made or would be made. I also possess the ability to work collaboratively with others to achieve this end. In addition to my Planning Commission service, I have worked the past five years in the greater Haymarket area as a planning consultant, working with a variety of Zoning Ordinance requirements. Therefore, with my professional experiences and certifications, I believe I would be a great fit to serve with fairness as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

It should also be noted that, per Title 15.2, Chapter 22, Article 7 of the Code of Virginia, particularly Section 15.2-2308 (a) related to the membership of any Board of Zoning Appeals, "Members of the board shall hold no other public office in the locality, except that one may be a member of the local planning commission..." I believe I would fit the qualifications to serve.