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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Jill Murray, City Clerk  
Subject: Board and Committee Vacancies for Consideration of Appointment on June 6, 2024  
Date: May 31, 2024/**Edited June 6, 2024**

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council:

Attached is information and applications regarding the upcoming June appointment cycle for your advisory boards. I solicited through newspaper, as well as, social media. Below are the applications received as of May 30, 2024. I realize this a lot and can get confusing so please reach out to me with any questions.

**Please note the ones in red are currently on the board and have applied to remain on the board. The ones in blue were just added and I added Virginia Tegel's application.**

**A. Animal Services Advisory Committee**

There are no residency requirements for this Committee.

(3 ~~ETJ~~ vacancies ending June 30, 2024; three additional vacancies if City Council amends the charter as per the Committee's request below.)

We received 3 applications as follows:

1. **Catherine Weibel – Mills River - Reapplying for a full term**
2. **Robin Grainger – County – Reapplying for a full term**
3. Dalleen Jackson-McClasky –County - New Applicant
4. Holly Newton – City – New Applicant
5. Beth Scarborough – City – New Applicant
6. Patricia Shepherd – City – New Applicant
7. Joy Edwards – City – New Applicant

Katie Weibel and Robin Grainger both wish to remain on the board and are in good standing. ~~There is one additional ETJ vacancy and we have one ETJ applicant, Dalleen Jackson-McClasky.~~ When appointed, they will each serve a three-year term.

At their last meeting, the board voted to ask City Council to add three more members to their board, thereby making it an 11 person board. Because of this, Council will need amend the Committee charter to expand the membership from 8 members to 11 members, and to appoint 3 At-Large additional members, for a total of 6 appointments.

**ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES. Section 1. Membership and Appointment.** All appointments shall be made by the City of Hendersonville City Council. The Committee shall consist of ~~eight (8)~~ eleven (11) members: ~~Seven (7)~~ Ten (10) members from the general public with various affiliations and diverse background and one (1) animal services professional. The City Manager shall appoint a staff liaison from the City of Hendersonville Police Department to the Committee who shall assist the Committee with carrying out their duties and responsibilities.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint 3 ETJ members and 3 At Large six members**

## **B. Board of Adjustment**

(2 City vacancies ending June 30, 2024)

We received 1 application as follows:

1. Reid Barwick – City – New Applicant

There are two “city” vacancies, one being an alternate. We have only received one “city” application.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint two city vacancies but we only have one applicant so just appoint the one for now.**

## **C. Business Advisory Committee**

(3 vacancies ending June 30, 2024)

We received 5 applications as follows:

1. Chris Cormier Appointed by Chamber of Commerce – Reapplying for a full term  
Owns Carolina Specialties Construction
2. Cam Boyd – Appointed by City Council - Reapplying for a full term  
Owns Boyd Chevrolet
3. Jamie Justus – Appointed by Partnership for Economic Development (taking over for Brittany Brady)
4. Sara Whitley – New Applicant  
Owns Complete Peace PLLC; Ikigio
5. Tom Makowski – New Applicant  
Owns Eagle Bar & Grill; Blue Ridge Rentals; The Main Event & Western Carolina Steakhouse

We have three vacancies on this board and two of the three wish to be reappointed and are in good standing. Brittany Brady has resigned and suggested Jamie Justus to take her place on the Partnership for Economic Alliance which is a required appointment. Once appointed, they will each serve a three-year term.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint three people. All of them are eligible but two would like to renew and one is a requirement (Jamie Justus).**

#### **D. Diversity & Inclusion Advisory Committee**

(2 ETJ vacancies ending June 30, 2024)

We received 12 applications as follows

1. Florence Allbough - Etowah – Reapplying for a full term
2. Tyler McCarson – County – New Applicant
3. Kimberly Guice – Penrose – New Applicant
4. Talie Ogle-Stepp – County - New Applicant
5. Tanya Rodriguez – Mills River - New Applicant
6. Kristie Hillenburg – County – New Applicant
7. Ciara Walker – Flat Rock – New Applicant
8. Victor Mills – County – New Applicant
9. Desean Jackson – ETJ - New Applicant (not sure if still interested)
10. Dana Davis – County – New Applicant (not sure if still interested)
11. Yadira Ortiz – County – New Applicant (not sure if still interested)
12. Bonnie Wilson – ETJ- New Applicant
13. Penny Pearson – City – New Applicant

Florence wishes to stay on the board and we need another ETJ appointment. When appointed, they will each serve a three-year term.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint two ETJ people. One would like to renew her membership and the other needs to be ETJ.**

**\*\*Mayor Pro Tem Simpson has been serving as the City Council alternate liaison per the requirement of Article IV Section 1 of the DEI Committee's Charter and Rules of Procedure. Council is asked to consider amending the Charter to allow for any City Council member to serve as the alternate liaison to this Committee and to appoint Council Member Lowrance as the alternate liaison.**

**Article IV. MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES.** Section 1. Membership and Appointment. All appointments shall be made by the City of Hendersonville City Council. The Committee shall consist of seven (7) at-large members and with the Mayor serving as the City Council liaison, and **the Mayor Pro Tempore serving a City Council member** to serve as the alternate City Council liaison. The City Council liaison and alternate liaison are not considered members for purposes of quorum or voting. The City Manager shall appoint a staff liaison to the Committee who shall assist the Committee with carrying out their duties and responsibilities.

## **E. Downtown Mainstreet Advisory Committee**

(5 vacancies ending June 30, 2024)

We received 11 applications as follows:

1. Caroline Gunther Main St. - Reapplying for a full term
2. Carole Sitzler – Main St. - Reapplying for a full term
3. Matthew Hickman – 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Reapplying for a full term
4. Oliver Wall – City (DT Business Manager) – New Applicant
5. Andrea Martin – City (Business/Not MSD) – New Applicant
6. Ryan Salvesen – City- New Applicant
7. Patsy Dupree – County (Volunteers) – New Applicant
8. Tracy Graham – County (DT Business) – New Applicant
9. Gayle Cinke – County (Volunteers) – New Applicant
10. Diane Dean – County (Art League) – New Applicant

Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzler and Matthew Hickman all wish to stay on the board and are in good standing. We have two At-Large vacancies to fill as well. Once appointed, they will each serve a three-year term.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint 5 people, three of whom are reapplying and invaluable to the board. Council will need to reappoint the three members and then pick two At-Large members.**

**City Council also needs to appoint a City Council member as a liaison to the Downtown Mainstreet Advisory Committee.**

## **F. Environmental Sustainability Board**

(5 vacancies ending June 30, 2024; 4 City and 1 At-Large)

We received 5 applications as follows:

1. Virginia Tegel (Vice-Chair) – Reapplying for a full term
2. Omar Zafra – City – New Applicant
3. Tanya Guzman – City – New Applicant
4. June Shelp – City – New Applicant
5. Scott Harmon - City – New Applicant
6. Jane Edgar - ETJ – New Applicant
7. Robin Matulich - ETJ – New Applicant
8. Bruce Austin – ETJ – New Applicant
9. Amy Smith – Zirconia – New Applicant
10. Katrina Hichman – Fletcher – New Applicant
11. Polly Simmons – County – New Applicant

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint 4 City and 1 At-Large member.**

## **G. Tree Board**

(2 City vacancies ending Dec. 31, 2025 & Dec. 31, 2026)

We received 2 applications as follows:

1. Melody Crawford - City – New Applicant
2. Scott Harmon - City – New Applicant

This board does not typically renew their members until December, however, they are down two members unexpectedly so we would like to fill them.

**\*\*City Council needs to appoint two City members.** Additionally, City Council is asked to appoint Mayor Pro Tem Simpson as the City Council liaison to this Board.