
AGENDA ITEM

TO: Tim Vandall, City Administrator
FROM: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA – Director, Community & Economic Development
DATE: May 5, 2022
SUBJECT: Lansing Planning Commission Appointment

Explanation: There are (2) positions on the Planning Commission whose terms expired on April 30, 2022. These positions have been advertised, but only one application has been received. The application received is from an existing board member, wishing to continue service on the Planning Commission.

Action: A motion to appoint Jake Kowalewski to the Lansing Planning Commission for a three-year term that will expire on April 30, 2025.

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APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

Name: Jake Kowalewski

Lansing Address: 600 Cottonwood Drive Lansing Kansas 66043

Home Phone: 913-704-9846

Business Phone: _____

E-mail: Jakeski17@yahoo.com

Please attach a one-to-two-page written statement expressing your interest in being appointed to the Lansing Planning Commission. Your written statement should address the following four topics:


1. Qualifications for the position.
2. Personal philosophy of the Lansing Planning Commission and development in Lansing.
3. Desired accomplishments as a Lansing Planning Commission member.
4. Willingness to attend meetings.

Also, attach the name, address, and telephone number of three personal references.

This volunteer position is for the Lansing Planning Commission for a three (3) year term ending on April 30, 2025. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and a U.S. Citizen. Applicants must also be a resident of the City of Lansing or live within the Urban Growth Management Area outside of city limits.

All applications should be returned to Lansing City Hall, 800 First Terrace, marked "Attention of the City Clerk".

Jacob
Kowalewski



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- 1) Currently I am the sitting chairman on the Lansing Planning Commission. During my first term on the commission, I feel like we were able to assist the growth of Lansing and align strategies with City Council. In addition to my role on the planning commission I sit on the board of directors for Lan Del water district, have went through Lansing Citizens Academy, and most recently completed the Leadership Southern Leavenworth County cohort. I have decided to be a servant leader to the community as much as my time will allow.
- 2) My philosophy as a member of the planning commission is ensure that were utilizing the comprehensive planning and future use map as a guide for growth. I do believe both documents are fluid and are a guide not the rule. Making the best decisions for as many citizens as we can is my #1 factor when making decisions.
- 3) My desired accomplishment for the planning commission would be to help facilitate commercial growth and continue to make Lansing a great city to live in. Additionally, I would love to see more residential growth because without adding rooftops growing commercially will be difficult.
- 4) In my first term on the planning commission, I have only missed one meeting and that was due to it being a special meeting that coincided with my obligations at Lan Del.