



City of Lathrup Village
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APPLICATION FOR COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, & BOARDS

Date of Application: 7/14/2026

Please check the committee for which you are applying:

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| ☐ Board of Review | ☐ Planning Commission |
| ☐ Downtown Development Authority (DDA) | ☐ Parks & Recreation Committee |
| ☐ Historic District Commission | ☐ Tree Committee |
| ☒ Communications & Engagement Committee | ☐ Other: _____ |

Name: DIANE DAMSKEY

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Phone: 305 987-9099

Street, City, State, Zip

Email: dcdamskey@msn.com

Are you at least 18 years of age: YES ☒ NO ☐

Are you a registered voter in Lathrup Village: YES ☒ NO ☐

Have you been a resident of Lathrup Village for 1+ years: YES ☒ NO ☐

A resume/CV is required with your application. Additionally, please include a letter that covers any additional information that clearly states your qualifications for serving on the committee you selected and why you believe you are the best fit to serve Lathrup Village.

Signature: *Diane Damskey*

Date: 7/14/2026

Applicants must be in good standing with the City to be eligible for committee, commission, or board appointment. Any outstanding violations or payments associated with the applying individual or individuals' property may result in the submitted application being rejected.

Return completed application to:
Lathrup Village – City Clerk, 27400 Southfield Road, Lathrup Village, MI 48076

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City of Lathrup Village

Diane C. Damskey
28624 Eldorado Place
Lathrup Village, MI 48076

July 14, 2026

Re: Application – Communication & Engagement Committee

I grew up in Lathrup Village in the 1960s and 1970s and returned in 2025 as a full-time resident. I have fond memories of the old Lathrup and have enjoyed getting involved in the community.

I have attended several meetings this year, including City Council meetings, town halls and informational sessions. I learned of these from the Lathrup Village text service, which is very helpful. However, accessing information on council meeting agendas, budget discussions and updates has been very challenging.

I am interested in serving on this committee to help Councilman Sousanis and team improve communication with residents, business and partners. At every meeting I have attended, someone comments that it is always the same people that show up. I am a new face at these meetings, and I have come to understand why more people are not engaged.

In speaking with many neighbors about the lack of attendance at meetings or even signing up for the texts, I found that most people are not aware of the meetings or content of the discussions. I only found out about the council meeting where the budget was to be approved because this was mentioned at the town hall about upcoming tax/millage proposals.

At the last council meeting pre-session that I attended, I brought two of my neighbors that never attend meetings. We all came due to an interest in the vote on the budget. I raised my hand at the session to state that I could not find council meeting agendas and even information on the budget. This made it difficult to comment on the budget. Councilman Sousanis very kindly spent about eight minutes with us after the session to show us how to navigate the website to find the agendas. Details of the budget were much harder to find.

Given my strong interest in being involved in the community and my personal experience of finding it difficult to access the information about topics that motivate me to attend meetings, I believe that I can make a strong contribution to the committee's work. I succeeded in bringing two new people to the last council meeting simply by informing them of the agenda. I would welcome the opportunity to be part of the Communications & Engagement team!

Sincerely,



Diane C. Damskey

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

DC Damskey Global Consulting, LLC, Lathrup Village, MI **April 2023 to Present**

- Strategic financial and investment advisor to asset managers, asset owners, foundations, family offices and corporations.
- Assess and identify risk during due diligence and manager selection process; evaluate and monitor risk and impact performance during investment lifecycle.
- Advise firms incorporating impact and sustainability into existing policies; build support among internal and external stakeholders.

GLOBAL IMPACT INVESTING NETWORK (GIIN), New York, NY **November 2022 to Present**

Secretariat Emeritus and Advisor, Impact Principles **January 2024 to Present**

Head of Secretariat, Impact Principles **November 2022 to January 2024**

- Led the transition of the *Impact Principles* from IFC to the GIIN, successfully maintaining the relationships with signatories, accounting firms, consulting and advisory firms.
- Successfully increased the number of signatories within five years from 58 to 185, representing 40 countries and more than half of the estimated impact assets under management globally.

THE WORLD BANK GROUP, Washington, D.C. **September 2016 to November 2022**

International Finance Corporation (IFC), Senior Manager **April 2018 to November 2022**

- Head of Secretariat of the *Operating Principles for Impact Management (Impact Principles)*, the global standard for impact investors.
- Managed global outreach for the *Impact Principles* to institutional investors, asset managers, asset owners, foundations and multilateral and development financial institutions. Sole point of contact for new and existing signatories.
- Represented IFC and the *Impact Principles* through speaking engagements at global impact and sustainable investing conferences, university and industry seminars and regional roundtables.

Adviser, World Bank Group Chief Financial Officer **September 2016 to April 2018**

- Advised and worked directly with World Bank CFO and senior management to deliver designated financial priorities, including the 2018 capital increase.
- Spearheaded initiatives to promote infrastructure investments in emerging markets.
- Strengthened private sector partnerships with global institutional investors on key initiatives.

J. P. MORGAN, Washington, D.C. **July 2009 to September 2016**

Senior Global Investment Specialist

- Senior investment manager for endowments, foundations, family offices and private clients.
- Expanded assets under management by 30%, creating tailored portfolios allocated to global equities, fixed income, private equity and credit, real estate and hedge funds and commodities.

- Launched and headed the presentation series for women executives, clients and prospects. focused on sustainable and impact investing and philanthropy.

Prior Relevant Experience

UBS AG, Miami, FL

Executive Director and Senior Investment Consultant

- Senior investment consultant for private clients in Latin America, investing across global equities, fixed income and alternative investments; increased assets under management by 25%.

NORTHERN TRUST, Miami, FL

Senior Investment Advisor and Portfolio Manager

- Managed portfolios for U.S. and international private clients, pension plans and foundations.

CREDIT SUISSE ASSET MANAGEMENT, New York, NY

Director and Portfolio Manager

- Institutional portfolio manager and investment strategist for institutional clients investing in global emerging markets; co-managed New York and London investment teams.

GLOBAL EMERGING MARKETS ADVISORS, L.P., New York, NY

Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager

- Institutional portfolio manager for emerging market debt, currency and equity funds.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO, New York, NY

Vice President – Emerging Markets Division

- Investment strategist and relationship manager for U.S. and international institutional and private banking clients.

SHEARSON LEHMAN HUTTON INC., New York, NY

Associate – International Advisory, Corporate Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions

- Member of Troika team advising the Republic of Venezuela on the restructuring of its external debt; created financial model to determine the optimal structure of the refinancing options.

MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST COMPANY, New York, NY

Assistant Vice President – Africa, Middle East and Eastern Europe Division

- Relationship manager for banks and corporations in Northwest Africa, responsible for credit analysis and lending portfolio; represented the bank in debt rescheduling negotiations.

EDUCATION

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA 1988

Master of Public Administration. Specialization in Finance and International Economics and Development

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. 1979

Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service, *cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa. Specialization in Russian Area Studies and International Economics

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Fluent in French and Spanish, knowledge of Russian, Arabic and German.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/VOLUNTEERISM

Guest Lecturer on Impact Investing – Georgetown University, Tufts University, Johns Hopkins

CFA Society

Georgetown University Alumni Association

Detroit Institute of Arts