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Are you a registered voter in the City of Novi?*

Yes

How long have you lived continuously in the City of Novi?*

4 years

Employed by

Caring Across Generations

Educational Background*

Wayne State University BS Education/Specs Howard Media Arts Lawrence Tech

Please describe your professional qualifications, skills and/or work experience, and how you would use these to benefit the boards and/or commissions for which you are applying.*

As a dedicated public servant and active community leader, I bring extensive experience in leadership, communication, and advocacy to the Novi Parks Commission. I currently serve as Chair of the Oakland County Parks Commission, a position I have held since 2019, where I have successfully overseen initiatives to enhance park programming, accessibility, and community engagement. My ability to lead with vision and foster collaborative relationships has resulted in innovative projects that serve diverse populations, including families, seniors, and youth. Beyond my role in parks leadership, I have a robust background in communications and public engagement through my work as the Manager of State Media Relations for Caring Across Generations. This national nonprofit focuses on building care infrastructure, a mission that aligns with creating inclusive and supportive public spaces. My skills in community outreach, stakeholder engagement, and strategic planning are complemented by a strong commitment to equity and inclusion. I have also been recognized as an Oakland County 40 Under 40 honoree and received awards for my communications work, demonstrating my dedication to excellence. Of course! Here's your update with the Hickory Woods Elementary PTA role seamlessly added: --- As a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., I have participated in numerous service initiatives aimed at uplifting communities through education, health advocacy, and economic empowerment. My role involves collaborating on

community service projects and mentoring programs that align with the organization's mission of service to all mankind. I also serve as Membership Chair on the Hickory Woods Elementary School PTA Board in Novi, where I work to strengthen family engagement, encourage volunteerism, and build community connections to support student success. In addition, as the Second Vice Chair of the National Congress of Black Women, Oakland County Chapter, I contribute to leadership development initiatives and community empowerment efforts. My responsibilities include planning events, fostering partnerships, and advocating for issues that impact women and families within Oakland County. These roles have strengthened my skills in collaboration, leadership, and community engagement, which I would bring to the Novi Parks Commission.

Please list any community groups with which you are currently or have previously been active and describe your role.*

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What motivated you to apply to serve on a board or commission, and why did you select the boards/commissions that you did?*

I am motivated to apply for the Novi Parks Commission because I am passionate about creating inclusive, accessible, and vibrant public spaces that foster community connection and enhance quality of life. With my experience in parks leadership and community engagement, I see this as an opportunity to contribute my skills to serve the city I proudly call home. I selected this commission because I believe parks and recreation play a vital role in building strong, healthy communities, and I am eager to help Novi continue to thrive in this area.

If appointed, what do you hope to accomplish during your term? What do you hope to learn?*

If appointed, I hope to enhance Novi's parks and recreation offerings by prioritizing accessibility, sustainability, and programs that reflect the needs of our community. I aim to support initiatives that foster wellness, family engagement, and intergenerational connections, ensuring our parks remain vibrant and inclusive spaces for all residents. I also hope to learn more about the specific needs and aspirations of Novi's residents regarding parks and recreation, as well as gain insights into the city's planning and development processes. This will allow me to collaborate effectively with fellow commissioners and contribute to the long-term growth and success of our community.

What do you think the City is doing well or could be doing differently when you think about the areas of responsibility for the boards and/or commissions for which you are applying?

The City of Novi has done an excellent job maintaining high-quality parks and recreation facilities that are well-loved by residents. Programs that promote family activities, outdoor

recreation, and community engagement are clear strengths, as are efforts to keep parks clean, safe, and welcoming. However, there is always room for growth. Expanding outreach to ensure underrepresented voices are included in decision-making could further enhance equity and accessibility. Additionally, incorporating more environmentally sustainable practices, such as eco-friendly landscaping or energy-efficient facilities, could position Novi as a leader in green initiatives. By fostering partnerships with local organizations and encouraging resident feedback, the City can continue to innovate and meet the evolving needs of our community.

Is there anything else you would for Council to be aware of, or know about you?

I have been passionate about parks and recreation since I started my career at age 15 as a camp counselor in Southfield, eventually advancing to the role of camp director. These early experiences instilled in me a deep appreciation for the impact parks and recreation have on building community and fostering personal growth. In addition to my professional experience, I have served as a PTA board member, advocating for youth programs and family engagement. As an internet wellness advocate, I focus on creating safe, balanced digital environments for families, which complements my commitment to supporting healthy, connected communities through parks and recreation. My lifelong dedication to service and community makes me eager to bring this experience and perspective to the Novi Parks Commission.

1st Choice

Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Commission

2nd Choice

Library Board

3rd Choice

Beautification Commission

List any additional choices (in order of preference)

Beautification areas of expertise

Registered Voter (Required)

Gardening/Landscaping

Leadership

Board of Review areas of expertise

Registered Voter (Required)

Building Authority areas of expertise

Novi Resident (Required)

City Council Cultural Arts Committee

Cultural Arts & Theater

Music/Art/Dance background

Construction Board of Appeals areas of expertise

Corridor Improvement Authority areas of expertise

Economic Development Corporation areas of expertise

Election Commission areas of expertise

Historical Commission Area of Expertise

Novi Resident (Required)

Love of History

Programming Knowledge

Library Board areas of expertise

Novi Resident (Required)

Policymaking/Review

Marketing/Public Relations

PRCS areas of expertise

Novi Resident (Required)

Recreation/Cultural Arts Programs & Services

Strategic Planning

Advertising/Marketing/PR

Planning Commission areas of expertise

Public Utilities and Technology Committee

Zoning Board areas of expertise

Signature/Date

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