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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION FOR REAPPOINTMENT

Thank you for your continued interest in serving on an advisory board or commission. The purpose of this form is to provide City Council members with comprehensive information about board or commission members who wish to be reappointed at the end of their term. Please provide thoughtful, detailed answers. City Council will make appointments based on this application and a two minute introductory speech given by all candidates during a City Council meeting. Boards and commissions candidate introductions typically take place in February, June, and December. This application will be kept on file for one year, and is open for public inspection upon request.

Name (Please print): Hideki Torimoto

Nickname, if preferred: Harry

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Employed by: Aisin Technical Center of America (Automotive Supplier in Northville)

For which board or commission are you re-applying? Parks Recreation and Cultural Services

Why would you like to continue to serve?

I continue to enjoy two main aspects of serving on the Commission

- 1) Provide input to the direction and operations of the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services, based on my own and others' experiences as users / service providers, and by applying my professional and personal skills.
- 2) Respresent the Commission and the city services to other citizens to help share information and educate, while also listening for feedback to bring to the Commssion and city.

I am interested and proud to help ensure a great quality of life for all Novi citizens.

What are you proud of accomplishing during your term?

I am proud to have provided input and represented the Commission to

- 1) Establish long term master plans considering the diverse interests of the citizens through participation in strategy sessions and draft reviews.
- 2) Provide opinions to the operations of the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services through the monthly Commission meetings, parks / facility audits, participating in activities and events, including as a representative to the Novi Park Foundation.

I and the Commission were able to continue these activites through the COVID challenges together, and now are ready to provide great services to best meet the expanding post COVID needs.



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If reappointed, what do you hope to accomplish in your next term?

The COVID situation highlighted the importance and essential needs for family / community connection and engagement with nature. The city has done a great job proactively engaging the community in the planning processes. I hope to help in two key areas

- 1) Planning and implementation of the plans for new city parks
 - A) Bosco Fields / Splash Pad
 - B) ITC Park
 - C) Further expansion of park amenities based on the ITC Park survey results
- 2) Expand engagement of citizens to Commission feedback sessions and volunteer opportunities

What do you want Council to know about your board or commission, and how can they assist your board or commission with its goals?

The city staff of Parks Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) have done an excellent job in ensuring key operational proposals are discussed and approved by the Commission before proceeding to Council. The Directors have pro-actively created such opportunities, including inviting the actual proposal owners to attend and present their content at the Commissions for direct feedback. I hope Council can ensure this process continues consistently into the future.

Is there anything else you would like for Council to know about you and/or your work on the board or commission?

I want to thank Council the continued opportunity to serve for 12+ years on the Commission. The chance to engage in public service is a different personal goal than what has motivated me for almost 30 years in a corporate environment. In the long term, my goal is to further expand my community service, and serving on the Commission has helped be understand and learn such possibilities.



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I understand I am volunteering my services with no monetary compensation or benefits. I understand I am not a City of Novi employee. I further understand the City of Novi is not obligated to accept my offer of volunteering service to the City of Novi. The City of Novi reserves the right to terminate my volunteer service at any time. I have read the Volunteer NOVI Guidebook and Policies. I will adhere to the policies and procedures of the City of Novi.

I authorize fingerprinting, criminal background checks, search of sex offender registry, and Department of Motor Vehicle checks as deemed necessary by the City of Novi. I authorize investigation of any matter contained in the application.

*I understand as a volunteer I am **NOT** covered under the City of Novi's Workers' Compensation Policy for any injury or accident sustained during my volunteer assignment. I understand I am to report any injury or accident immediately to my supervisor. I further understand any medical costs or other costs incurred as result of incident will be my responsibility. I further understand if I fail to report the injury or accident immediately to my supervisor I may be released from my current volunteer assignment and may be Ineligible for any assignment in the future.*

I give the City of Novi permission to use, publish and republish, without compensation or obligation to me any photographs, videos or other media now in existence, which may be developed for future use along with reproduction of my likeness taken during my volunteer service to the City of Novi.

I declare under penalty of perjury all statements made in this application are true and correct of my own personal knowledge.

H.Torimoto

5/29/2023

Signature

Date