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Name (Please print)*	Ashleigh Taylor
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Are you a registered voter in the City of Novi?*	Novi
How long have you lived continuously in the City of Novi?*	6 years
Employed by	Self-Employed
Educational Background*	Master of Arts (MA), Educational Leadership – Higher Education: Eastern Michigan University Becoming Global Citizens: As element of Master’s Degree, surveyed and analyzed Ecuadorian higher educational system. Graduate Certificate in Management: Eastern Michigan University Progress towards Academic Advising Certificate: Eastern Michigan University Bachelor of Arts (BA), Sport Management: University of Michigan As a Library Board member, I'd leverage my extensive experience in the education sector to ensure that library decisions were made that support the educational needs of both adults and children in the Novi community. My years of experience related to college admissions, student advising, and academic planning have required me to orchestrate comprehensive academic development plans that support student success objectives. I am an approachable advisor that utilizes interpersonal communication skills to develop strong relationships and trust with students and parents, actively listening to determine optimal plans that drive personal and academic growth. These listening skills would be of the greatest benefit when working with other board members to prioritize stakeholder needs and ensure the satisfaction of the Novi community. I currently run a 6,700-member Facebook community group called College Planning for Parents of High School Students through which I provide daily advice and answer questions regarding selective college admissions. I am a member of the National Association of College Admissions Counseling and presented at the Michigan Association of College Admissions Counseling in 2022.
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.*	
Please list any community groups with which you are currently or have previously been active and describe your role.*	

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

I learned of the opportunity from board member Dooley and was very intrigued after doing more research. The library is a central gathering place in our community and it is important that it is utilized and supported to the fullest extent. I want it to remain an environment that is welcoming to families but also ensure that it stays on top of technological shifts and the changing needs of the Novi community and patrons. A welcoming environment should represent the diversity of our community in terms of staffing, programming, and the available materials. I am interested in opportunities with the Marketing, HR and DEI committees, if available.

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

I hope to learn more about the behind-the-scenes processes and the programming that the library provides. Once fully acclimated, I'd love to work with the youth in some capacity and hope to connect with the Teen Advisory Board to ensure that young people's voices are being heard and acted upon. I hope there are more opportunities for community outreach to enhance program attendance and create more visibility and accessibility.

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

As a college consultant who is very passionate about educational access, I'd be interested in contributing my expertise to community members interested in learning more about higher education opportunities in Oakland County and beyond. College readiness should be approached from multiple directions, not only as part of the high school curriculum. I'd love to develop or support the development of programming related to that area.

Order of preference number

Beautification areas of expertise

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Board of Review areas of expertise

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Building Authority areas of expertise

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Construction Board of Appeals areas of expertise

Order of preference number

Corridor Improvement Authority areas of expertise

Order of preference number

Economic Development Corporation areas of expertise

Order of preference number

Election Commission areas of expertise

Order of preference number

Historical Commission areas of expertise

Order of preference number

Housing & Community Development Advisory areas of expertise

Order of preference number

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Library Board areas of expertise	Polycymaking/Review Marketing/Public Relations Customer Service
Order of preference number	
PRCS areas of expertise	
Order of preference number	
Planning Commission areas of expertise	
Order of preference number	
Zoning Board areas of expertise	
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