



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEMO

DEPARTMENT Community Development	PRESENTED BY Kristi Jefferson, Senior Planner	DATE October 16, 2023
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ITEM

Planning Commission Interviews

BACKGROUND

Currently, there is one alternate position open on the Planning Commission. Staff published an advertisement in the Mountain Mail for Boards and Commissions and we received applications from the following candidates interested in being on the Planning Commission:

Vanesa Boston
Kenny Layton



**APPLICATION FOR CITY OF SALIDA
COMMITTEES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS**

DATE 9-15-23
NAME Vanessa Boston
ADDRESS 689 Dst.
CITY Salida STATE CO. ZIP 81201
TELEPHONE # (home) 912-463-6373 (work) 719-539-3411
(cell) _____
FAX # _____ E-MAIL vanessastchoenewald@gmail.com

APPLYING FOR:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Adjustment | <input type="checkbox"/> Salida/Chaffee County Airport Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Appeals | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Art Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Board |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PROST | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Please fill out the following information about yourself and why you are applying for this position. (Attach resume or extra sheets if necessary)

BACKGROUND AND/OR EXPERIENCE (Business and/or Personal):

I grew up here and want to serve my home community. I care. I don't have any experience besides what life has taught me, though I am a very fast learner.

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PERSONAL AND JOB RELATED INTERESTS:

I work at upper arkansas area council
of governments and I think I can
do more to improve the area

REASONS FOR APPLYING:

I care. It basically is just that.
Thank you for your consideration.

Thank you for applying, Salida City Council

Please return the completed application to:

City of Salida
448 E. 1st Street, Suite 112
Salida, CO 81201
or email to:
Clerk@cityofsalida.com



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DATE 8/9/23
NAME Kenneth Layton
ADDRESS 411 Palmer St
CITY Salida STATE CO ZIP 81201
TELEPHONE # (home) _____ (work) _____
(cell) 970-590-3201
FAX # _____ E-MAIL kenny@headwaterconstruction.c

APPLYING FOR:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Adjustment | <input type="checkbox"/> Salida/Chaffee County Airport Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Appeals | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Art Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Board |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PROST | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Planning Com Alternate</u> |

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BACKGROUND AND/OR EXPERIENCE (Business and/or Personal):

I have been in the real estate industry since 2011. First as a licensed Colorado real estate broker for 12 years and for the last 4 years as a full-time home builder here locally.

I have a lot of first hand experience working with the different planning departments and the Chaffee County building department. In 2022 I was part of a joint venture that built and finished 15 single-family homes targeting the entry-level home buyers in Poncha Meadows. I am currently building a single family home and a duplex in Salida as a general contractor.

I was a Member on the City of Fort Collins Parks and Recreation Board for ~3+ years prior to moving to Salida in 2020.

PERSONAL AND JOB RELATED INTERESTS:

I really love creating new projects that will make a healthy contribution to the city, neighborhood, or place they're built in. That kind of sums it up for me, my personality is someone who loves problem solving and new challenges, especially as it pertains to building.

I have had a significant interest in planning and zoning policy for a number of years. Having worked in the real estate industry for a while, I've consistently tried to learn all I can about healthy housing policy and decisions because I interact with them everyday. One of the books I like a lot is Strong Towns by Charles Marohn. I have found a lot of inspiration from the concepts presented in that book. I've also attended a 2-day small-developers boot camp by the Incremental Development Alliance which I found really inspiring.

REASONS FOR APPLYING:

We have two children of elementary age and this is one of the reasons I want to be part of the planning and zoning board. I believe Planning and Zoning decisions have a direct and visible impact on the local community and they will affect the type of community my children get to grow up in. I'd like to use my knowledge and experience to be part of that conversation and decision-making process.

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