

City of Sultan Application for Appointment

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I wish to be considered for appointment to the following board or commission:

- Civil Service Commission
- Design Review Committee
- Park Advisory Board
- Planning Commission
- Other _____

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Present Employer: University of Washington

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Hobbies/Interests: My Family / my friends / vintage Automobiles

Have you previously served on a City Board or Commission? no

If yes, please list: _____


Are you available for **daytime** meetings? yes no **evening** meetings? yes no

Approx. how many hours each month can you devote to City business? Variable

Recommended by: see attached resume

Why do you want to serve on a Board or Commission? see attached resume

Appointment to a Board or Commission requires that the applicant be a REGISTERED VOTER residing within the corporate city limits of Sultan, or in some cases, residing within the Urban Growth Area (UGA). Applicants political position or affiliation has no bearing on appointment to a Board or Commission. Availability is important; a time commitment is required.

Signature: 

From the Desk of Brady E. Boucher

4th St. (PO Box 1 [REDACTED])
Sultan, WA. 98294

INTRODUCTION:

I am a life long resident of the City of Sultan. I was born here, educated here, and make my home here raising my own family. Although a fresh view of our city is always a plus, a person with knowledge of how Sultan was as well as what it can be is greatly needed. I seek a position on the City of Sultan Planning Commission to serve the city I have grown to love; to help ensure that Sultan stays the healthy successful community it is today. This means the community must retain the characteristics that many of us have enjoyed. A small tight knit feeling in this community can remain while still being able to grow as a city needs to do in order to stay a viable and successful entity. I am eager to help with this process and I seek the Mayor's appointment along with the Council's support of his appointment based on these values I hold and the assets I possess.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

- Sultan Resident of 27 years.
- A family that has called Sultan home for 5 generations.
- A person with no criminal history.
- An active registered voter in the City of Sultan.
- A father of 2 sons that attend Sultan Elementary School.
- A graduate of Sultan High School himself.
- A person of unquestioned loyalty to the City that is his home.

A NON-BIASED VIEW:

I believe that a potential Sultan Planning Commissioner who does not have personal interests in the decisions that he/she makes best serves the citizens of our community. I have a single residence house in this city. The land that this house is placed on does not have significant development potential. I also do not live near land that has any significant development potential. This situation is ideal to allow myself to make informed decisions about development as well as decisions on growth management. And these decisions are vital in shaping the future of Sultan.

A REALISTIC OUTLOOK:

Common sense is something I believe many governing bodies lack. I am not a dictionary of city codes and procedures. The ability to look at an issue realistically is something greatly needed. Any rule that cannot withstand the scrutiny of common sense is a problem. We must be able to look at an issue and ask ourselves "Does this make sense?" The issues facing the Planning Commission today are not strictly a matter of what a rule or code may or may not state. They are a matter of how a rule or code may affect a person's life, as well as the success of the city in which we serve. Holding a view that any and all land someone owns should be developed to its physical limits is not logical. Common sense shows that this kind of development would destroy what Sultan is. This same logic can also be applied to the idea that all growth must be fought and prevented when possible. Growth and development is required for our city to prosper. For this reason we must encourage growth in Sultan while still making sure that we control this growth so that it benefits Sultan instead of altering the characteristic of our town or diminishing the quality of life that our citizens enjoy. This approach is the only way to guarantee that the beautiful city we enjoy today will still be a beautiful and thriving community in the future for our next generation to benefit from as well as serve.

A GOAL:

There has been no time period more important to Sultan's future than the one we are in now. We have seen the negative affect that unchecked development can have on our city. In this same time period, it has also become blatantly evident of the damage that drastic growth opposition can have on a community. We as a city have reached a crossroads. This is a very exciting time. Though it also a very vital time. The actions that we take today will affect this city more profoundly than any other time in its history. I am very eager to be part of the process that guides this city down the right path into its future.

Brady E. Boucher.