

# AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

February 5, 2019

City Council

## STAFF

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## SUBJECT

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Resolution 2019-018 Making Appointments to the Air Quality Advisory Board, Commission on Disability, and the Cultural Resources Board of the City of Fort Collins.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The purpose of this item is to appoint individuals to fill vacancies that currently exist on the Air Quality Advisory Board, the Commission on Disability and the Cultural Resources Board due to resignations of boardmembers and vacancies created upon expiration of terms of members on December 31, 2018. Applications were solicited in December and January. Council teams interviewed applicants on January 17, 2019. This Resolution appoints individuals to fill current vacancies and expiring terms. Staff continues to seek applicants for the Building Review Board and the Parking Advisory Board.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution.

## BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

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This Resolution makes appointments to fill vacancies from resignations and expired terms. Jakob Lindaas is being recommended for appointment to the Air Quality Advisory Board to fulfill the position left vacant by the resignation of Christopher Wood on January 29, 2019. Terry Schlicting is being recommended for appointment to the Commission on Disability to fulfill the position made vacant by the resignation of Rustin Hughes on January 10, 2019. Jennifer Zidon is being recommended for appointment to the Cultural Resources Board to fulfill the position made vacant due to the resignation of Stephen Sorenson in August 2018.

These terms will begin immediately on February 5, 2019. Names of those individuals recommended to fill vacancies and expired terms have been inserted in the Resolution with the expiration date following the names.

## ATTACHMENTS

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1. Appointment Applications (PDF)

## APPLICATION FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP



**ATTACHMENTS TO APPLICATION MUST BE LIMITED TO TWO PAGES  
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT**

**If you have questions or need more information, contact:  
City Clerk's Office (300 LaPorte Avenue) at 970.416.2525**

**Eligibility Requirements** - 1 year residency within the Fort Collins Growth Management Area

**Board or Commission:** Air Quality Advisory Board

**Name:** Jakob Lindaas

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** 80521

**Residence:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** 80521

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you resided in the Fort Collins Growth Management Area for at least one year?**  Yes  No

**Which Council District do you live in?** District 6

**Current Occupation:** Graduate Student **Employer:** Colorado State University

**Recent and/or relevant work experience (please include dates)** Currently I am a Graduate Research Assistant in the CSU Department of Atmospheric Science, working on air quality issues related to ozone in the northern Colorado Front Range and wildfire smoke in the western U.S. I have participated in field projects making air quality measurements near Erie, CO, and in wildfire smoke plumes aboard a National Science Foundation aircraft throughout

**Recent and/or relevant volunteer experience (please include dates)** Recently I have been a Graduate Representative in the CSU Department of Atmospheric Science, bringing student's concerns and opinions to department faculty. I also helped organize the 2016 edition of the Young Scientist Symposium on Atmospheric Research, which brought young atmospheric researchers from all across the Front Range together for a day of presentations and networking. Each winter I volunteer at the Little Shop of Physics open house, helping staff demonstrations for hundreds of

**Are you currently serving on a City board or commission?**  Yes  No

**If so, which one?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Why do you want to become a member of this particular board or commission?** I would like to apply my knowledge of air quality science towards making Fort Collins an even better, healthier, and more welcoming place to live. Additionally, I am interested in learning about the interface between science and public policy.

**Have you attended a meeting of the board or commission you are applying to or talked to anyone currently on the board?**  Yes  No

**If yes, please share your experience:**

I've spoken to Arsineh Hecobian, whom I know personally and professionally through my work in the CSU Department of Atmospheric Science. She told me a little bit about the types of activities undertaken by the Air Quality Advisory Board and piqued

**List any abilities, skills, certificates, specialized training, or interests you have which are applicable to this board or commission:**

Via my graduate research in the atmospheric sciences, I have a comprehensive understanding of the science behind several major air quality issues. I am adept at analysis and visualization of diverse datasets, and effectively communicating complex insights. I have active interests in creating healthier and happier communities, and in improving the interaction between

**Briefly explain what you believe are the three most important issues facing this board or commission, and how do you believe this board or commission should address each issue?**

- 1) Exceeding the ozone standard during summer is the specific air quality issue that most significantly affects Fort Collins. The Air Quality Advisory Board and City of Fort Collins have rightfully spent a lot of time and effort in this area. I would like to see discussion on more interdisciplinary solutions to reducing emissions, such as encouraging fewer VOC emissions and less water use by planting different types of vegetation and/or xeroscaping in residential lawns and even greater support for biking and public transportation in the community as a means to reduce traffic emissions.
  
- 2) The Air Quality Advisory Board might place focus on how the city might best communicate its air quality initiatives to the general population. The City runs very innovative air quality-related programs such as the Healthy Homes initiative and the lawn equipment rebate program. While many of these programs are accessible to both homeowners and renters, I see an opportunity for the AQAB to brainstorm ways for the City to reach out to renters, specifically students and young people. One way to do this is to leverage graduate student networks to disseminate relevant information and opportunities.
  
- 3) Climate action on air quality is an issue the Air Quality Advisory Board should place continued focus on. Specifically I think that Fort Collins needs to continue to be proactive in setting, following, and reviewing climate action goals, and to continuously improve the rationale for doing so. I am particularly concerned with the impacts future more frequent or intense wildfires might have on Fort Collins, and to be concerned with the confluence of growing population and local economy (meaning more anthropogenic emissions) with hotter summers, likely magnifying our existing ozone problem.

**Please specify any activities which might create a serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to this board or commission:**

None.

**Have you ever been convicted of a crime (except for minor traffic offenses that resulted only in a fine)?**  Yes  No  
**If yes, please explain in complete detail. State the nature and approximate date of the conviction, the sentence imposed, whether the sentence has been completed, and any other information you consider to be relevant**

**Upon application for and acceptance of appointment, board and commission members demonstrate their intention and ability to attend meetings. If appointed, frequent nonattendance may result in termination of the appointment.**

**By typing your name in the space provided, I submit my electronic signature and application to the City of Fort Collins and swear or affirm under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado:**

- that I meet the eligibility requirements of the position sought and
- that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

**Signature:** Jakob Lindaas **Date:** Nov-29-2018

*Optional: How did you learn of a vacancy on this board or commission:*

- Newspaper       Cable 14       City News (Utility Bill Insert)       Website
- Other (please specify) Department email



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Eligibility Requirements - 1 year residency within the Fort Collins Growth Management Area

Board or Commission: Commission on Disability

Name: Terry Schlicting

Mailing Address: Zip: 80524

Residence: Zip: 80524

Home Phone: Work Phone: Cell Phone:

E-Mail Address:

Have you resided in the Fort Collins Growth Management Area for at least one year? [X] Yes [ ] No

Which Council District do you live in? District 1

Current Occupation: Accommodations Specialist Employer: Colorado State University

Recent and/or relevant work experience (please include dates) I have worked at the Student Disability at CSU for over 12 years. I also have a disability myself.

Recent and/or relevant volunteer experience (please include dates) I have served as a member of the commission on disability for over a decade.

Are you currently serving on a City board or commission? [X] Yes [ ] No

If so, which one? Commission on Disability

Why do you want to become a member of this particular board or commission? I have been a member of the commission on disability, For over a decade and I would like to continue serving. I am very passionate about issues that affect community members with disabilities here in Fort Collins.

Have you attended a meeting of the board or commission you are applying to or talked to anyone currently on the board? [X] Yes [ ] No

If yes, please share your experience:

As stated earlier, I have been a member of this commission for over a decade.

List any abilities, skills, certificates, specialized training, or interests you have which are applicable to this board or commission:

As I stated earlier, i have first hand experiences with the challenges that community members with disabilities face on a regular basis. I have been a wheelchair user my entire life. I also have worked in the field of social justice for well over a decade now.

**Briefly explain what you believe are the three most important issues facing this board or commission, and how do you believe this board or commission should address each issue?**

- 1) Public transportation- To begin with, the public transportation paradigm must shift from something that is utilized based on social class, which at times I feel is the lens with which it is viewed. Public transportation is the conduit that facilitates access for all. We have made great strides in the last decade with the addition of the Max and expanded night service but many gaps remain, especially transportation on a regional level. Population growth is coming whether we like it or not and we must have infrastructure in place to support it.
  
- 2) Mental Health/Medical care- This is a topic that we often discuss but rarely come to a consensus on how to address the issue. There are a variety of issues surrounding the barriers related to access of mental healthcare, but until we can come together acknowledging individual viewpoints while also recognizing that this is not something to be swept under the rug. This is also an issue that affects everyone and it needs to be seen from that lens.
  
- 3) Cost of living/affordable housing- as stated above, I don't want our community to become exclusive to those who can allocate outside resources for procurement. Our jobs need to sufficiently support a reasonable quality of life. This is a continued issue that I have observed in hiring processes at CSU. I have served on search committees where highly qualified candidates are identified and offered positions only to have to turn them down due to affordability and access to housing.

**Please specify any activities which might create a serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to this board or commission:**

None that I can think of.

**Have you ever been convicted of a crime (except for minor traffic offenses that resulted only in a fine)?**  Yes  No  
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**Signature:** Terry Schlichting **Date:** Jan-07-2019

*Optional: How did you learn of a vacancy on this board or commission:*

- Newspaper       Cable 14       City News (Utility Bill Insert)       Website
- Other (please specify) word of mouth



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Board or Commission: Cultural Resources Board

Name: Jennifer Zidon

Mailing Address: Zip: 80521

Residence: Zip: 80521

Home Phone: Work Phone: Cell Phone:

E-Mail Address:

Have you resided in the Fort Collins Growth Management Area for at least one year? [X] Yes [ ] No

Which Council District do you live in? District 6

Current Occupation: Market Business Development Manager Employer: Barnes & Noble

Recent and/or relevant work experience (please include dates) Barnes & Noble June 2011-Present
Manage and grow business to business relationships to cultivate sales equaling
Strategic planning of Community Engagement programs
Oversee and organize all community arts, entertainment, and cultural programming
Negotiate contracts with institutions, businesses, and school accounts
Develop and foster community relationships to build corporate and

Recent and/or relevant volunteer experience (please include dates) STAMP (Executive Director) November 2017-Present
Grant writing and researching prospective grants, program management, social media management, intern management/volunteer management, plan and run quarterly board meetings, and building infrastructure for a new nonprofit. Fort Collins Reads 2016-2017
Created and managed social media accounts resulting in greater interest and turnout of programs

Are you currently serving on a City board or commission? [ ] Yes [X] No

If so, which one?

Why do you want to become a member of this particular board or commission? I am a fierce advocate for arts & culture and believe that it is a great driver of our local economy. I have been an artist and an arts administrator in Fort Collins for 15 years. I have a unique mix of education and experience to inform this board.

Have you attended a meeting of the board or commission you are applying to or talked to anyone currently on the board? [X] Yes [ ] No

If yes, please share your experience:

I have attended two board meetings in the past. I have not talked at these meetings but rather just observed. I have also spoken to Jack Rogers of the Lincoln Center regarding this open position. He has been encouraging and knows that I am interested

List any abilities, skills, certificates, specialized training, or interests you have which are applicable to this board or commission:

Strategic Development, Community Partnerships, Program Development/Implementation, Community Engagement, Written Communication, Verbal Communication, HR and Training, Project Management, Non-profit Management, Business to Business Partnerships, Social Media, Word/Excel, Power Point, Grant Writing and Research, Donor Relations,

**Briefly explain what you believe are the three most important issues facing this board or commission, and how do you believe this board or commission should address each issue?**

- 1) Under the FOCO Creates initiative the master plan states a "need to focus on equality, inclusion, and access both for artists/creatives and the community as a whole." I believe inclusion is extremely important to a cultural resources board supported by tax dollars. All citizens are paying into these programs and should benefit as many people as possible regardless of age or ability. The board should address this issue by encouraging and funding creative programs that support marginalized and disenfranchised populations, especially reaching out to schools/communities serving these populations.
  
- 2) Also the FOCO Creates Initiative states that "there should be arts and learning experiences for residents of all ages." Art and being creative is a human characteristic and a basic need. There are countless benefits from being creative and feeding that human need in individuals of all ages. With all these benefits, it is important to offer these creative experiences to all of our citizens. The board should be open to all programs and projects the serve our community members throughout their lives. Having programs that benefit only a certain demographic hinders the progress of a whole society.
  
- 3) Finally, "there should be more arts opportunities in every neighborhood." Knowing that creativity has a wide variety of benefits not only for the individual but also for a community, providing arts opportunity in every neighborhood would not only benefit the individual person but it would also benefit our community as a whole making those neighborhoods safer, giving its citizens pride in their community, and overall creating a sense of belonging. Supporting arts opportunities in a wide variety of neighborhoods through the Fort Fund Grant or other grants will benefit all of Fort Collins.

**Please specify any activities which might create a serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to this board or commission:**

I am the executive director of a nonprofit-STAMP-that is currently applying for the Fort Fund Grant.

**Have you ever been convicted of a crime (except for minor traffic offenses that resulted only in a fine)?**  Yes  No  
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**Signature:** Jennifer Zidon **Date:** Dec-19-2018

*Optional: How did you learn of a vacancy on this board or commission:*

- Newspaper       Cable 14       City News (Utility Bill Insert)       Website
- Other (please specify) Jack Rogers

RESOLUTION 2019-018  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO AIR QUALITY  
ADVISORY BOARD, COMMISSION ON DISABILITY,  
AND CULTURAL RESOURCES BOARD  
OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS

WHEREAS, vacancies currently exist on the Air Quality Advisory Board, the Commission on Disability, and the Cultural Resources Board of the City due to resignations by board members and vacancies created by the expiration of the terms of certain current members; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to make appointments to fill the vacancies that exist on the various boards, commissions, and authorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That the following named persons are hereby appointed to fill current vacancies on the boards, commissions, and authorities hereinafter indicated, with terms to begin immediately and to expire as set forth after each name:

<b>Air Quality Advisory Board</b>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
<u>Jakob Lindaas</u>	December 31, 2020
<b>Commission on Disability</b>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
<u>Terry Schlicting</u>	December 31, 2020
<b>Cultural Resources Board</b>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
<u>Jennifer Zidon</u>	December 31, 2022

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 5th day of February, A.D. 2019.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk