

Profile

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What district do you live in? *

☒ Chapel Hill Town limits (Purple)

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If you are a Chapel Hill Resident, How long have you lived here?

☒ 0-12 months

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board: Eligible

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Internet

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I believe I can offer a unique perspective to the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board for several reasons. As a young professional residing in Chapel Hill, I regularly utilize various modes of transportation. I frequently cycle and use public transit to navigate Chapel Hill, although I do possess a car primarily reserved for trips beyond the city limits. As an avid biker, I am particularly interested in making sure that streets are safe for all road users and that there are safe and reliable routes connecting the town's key business and residential hubs. While I attended college in North Carolina at Elon University, I have had the opportunity to live in Los Angeles and Boston since graduating. Living in these cities has given me with a unique perspective of how the built environment and transportation options can profoundly influence our quality of life. The stark contrast between these two cities was particularly enlightening. Upon relocating to Boston, I became captivated by the city's walkability and my own ability to live with minimal car dependence. I immersed myself in community activism, contributing to initiatives aimed at creating safer streets and enhancing bicycle infrastructure. I saw first-hand how the cities projects to implement traffic calming measures, expand public transportation and add new protected bike lanes throughout the city gave residents more healthy and affordable options for transportation.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

Over the last two years, I have become engrossed in learning more about transportation and planning. I have read a number of books covering topics such as walkability, zoning, and public transportation. The more I learn, the more I believe that improving our transportation options is an extremely worthwhile cause, one that can improve quality of life for the entire city and save lives. In my full-time job at a software company, I have experience managing partnerships with large global technology companies. This has given me experience collaborating with key stakeholders, building relationships, finding common ground, conducting research, and making informed decisions and recommendations. These are all skills I wish to bring to this board. I am very excited to be a new member of the Chapel Hill community. Attending last month's board meeting gave me a great deal of excitement about the progress already underway. I am eager to use my time, experience, and perspective to contribute positively to the improvement of our local transportation landscape.

[Logan Bealke_CH Transportation Board Resume.pdf](#)

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Demographics

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Ethnicity *

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. *

☒ 25-34

Partner Sales Representative

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Ethics Statement

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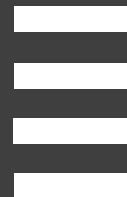
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Chapel Hill, NC

DYNATRACE - Partner Sales Development Representative | June 2022 - Present

- Consistently achieved outstanding performance as a top-performing Partner Sales Development Representative, recognized for exceeding sales targets and driving significant revenue growth for three consecutive quarters.
- Identified and qualified sales opportunities for the APM software field sales organization, effectively assessing potential prospects and prioritizing leads.
- Collaborated closely with Partner Sales Managers and marketing teams to generate demand and drive lead generation efforts, resulting in increased sales pipeline and revenue growth.
- Conducted thorough account profiling and executed targeted outbound prospecting strategies, consistently generating new business opportunities, and expanding the customer base.
- Worked closely with contacts at our partner companies to drive greater adoption and revenue growth at customers
- Leveraged in-depth product knowledge and expertise to educate prospects about the comprehensive solutions offered by Dynatrace, effectively highlighting the value and benefits to meet their specific needs.

BOSTON COLLEGE - Live Event Production Staff | Aug. 2021-May 2023

- Worked in a fast-paced, high-pressure live production control room environment, serving as the primary graphics operator for games airing on ACC Network and ESPN2.
- Prepared and organized graphics assets, including lower thirds, score bugs, statistics, and player information, ensuring accurate and timely delivery during broadcasts.
- Efficiently synthesized a vast number of real-time statistics and swiftly crafted precise and impactful graphics to augment the game's key storylines, ensuring a dynamic and engaging visual experience for viewers.
- Maintained a high level of accuracy and attention to detail in the execution of graphics, minimizing errors and ensuring a polished on-air look.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY - Production Assistant | Aug. 2021-June 2022

- Directed and produced multi-camera live sports ESPN+ and NESN broadcasts, leading a team of production personnel
- Coordinated with on-air talent, ensuring they had necessary materials, such as scripts, stats, and game notes, for their commentary and analysis.
- Collaborated with producers and directors to coordinate shots, camera angles, and camera movements to capture dynamic and compelling visuals.
- Assisted in the setup and breakdown of production equipment, ensuring smooth transitions between different production elements.

NFL NETWORK - Production Assistant | Aug. 2019-Feb. 2021

- Edited highlight packages, effectively selecting and sequencing game footage to create engaging and dynamic content for various NFL programs and broadcasts.
- Assisted in editing and producing music videos, including selecting footage, creating montages, and synchronizing visuals with music to enhance the overall presentation.
- Collaborated with producers and directors to brainstorm and develop creative show ideas, contributing to the planning and execution of compelling content for NFL Network programming.
- Operated the teleprompter system, ensuring smooth and accurate delivery of on-air scripts for NFL GameDay Morning and NFL RedZone.

EDUCATION

Elon University, Class of 2019
Major in Cinema and Television Arts
Magna Cum Laude

VOLUNTEER WORK AND ACTIVISM

Boston Better Bike Lanes, Community Activist
Michelle Wu for Boston Mayor, Volunteer
Biden for President, Volunteer

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☒ Greater than 10 years

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Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Bicycle Advocate and Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Other (provide additional information below)

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

Word of mouth, and I have attended past meetings

Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

- Interest in efficient transportation routes for all residents. - Advocate for improved cycling infrastructure. - Recognition that alternative modes of transportation will become more essential as warming climate and population density increase. - Need for increased safety for pedestrian and other non-motorized travel. - Desire to base infrastructure improvements to expectations for future needs for efficient travel throughout Chapel Hill.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

- Long time use of both motor vehicle and bicycle use as transportation. - Board member of Bicycle Alliance of Chapel Hill. - Member of BikeWalk NC and League of American Bicyclists. - Retired lawyer, former General Counsel to NC Information Technology agency and NC Chief Purchasing Officer.

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Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. *

☒ over 55

Retired

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☒ 4-9 years

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Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Bicycle Advocate and Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

None Selected

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Internet

☒ Social Media

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I am a current graduate student at UNC Chapel Hill, and I am well versed in the state of our bike infrastructure, greenways, and public transportation network. About 90% of my transportation around town, including commuting to campus, is done by bike, bus or walking, and I am able to speak to issues regarding safety and equity for community members who choose to get around town in these ways. My impression is that perspectives from students and multi-modal commuters are underrepresented in our local government, so I hope I'll be able to offer a useful and new perspective on these issues.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I'm a current graduate student in computer science at UNC Chapel Hill. I graduated with my BS from UNC in 2021, and am currently working towards my PhD. I have no experience in civics or local politics, but it's something that I've recently become very interested in and I'm excited to help and offer my perspective to the town.

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Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

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☒ 18-24

Graduate Student

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

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Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

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☒ 1-3 years

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Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board: Eligible

Question applies to Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board *

☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Environmental Stewardship Advisory Board

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Other (provide additional information below)

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

UNC SOG

Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I recently graduated from UNC's School of Government, where I obtained my Master's in Public Administration, focusing on environmental issues. I also have an undergraduate degree from UNC in political science and environmental studies. In addition, I was a community organizer in Philadelphia for two years, organizing food justice in community gardens and homeless soup kitchens. In my current role at the US EPA, I work in public affairs, bridging the gap between federal programs and community outreach.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I have experience in event coordination, workplace facilitation events, servsafe training, and a lifetime passion for the environment.

Ben Lasley

[August 2023 Resume.docx](#)

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Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

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☒ 25-34

Environmental Protection
Specialist

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

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EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | May 2023

Master of Public Administration | Deil S. Wright Research Paper Award

Activities: UNC GPPG Senator, MPA Diversity Committee, MPA Student Leadership Committee

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | May 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Studies and Political Science; Minor, Geography *cum laude*

Australia Study Abroad Program in Environmental Sustainability | Summer 2017

Awards: Dean's List Fall 2018 and Spring 2019; Say Yes Guilford Scholarship; American Express Scholarship

Activities and Societies: Epsilon Eta Environmental Honors Fraternity; UNC Chapel Hill Wesley Campus Ministry;

UNC Study Abroad Peer Ambassadors.

EXPERIENCE

Environmental Protection Specialist | **U.S. EPA** | Durham, NC | June 2023 – Present

- Coordinate social media for OAQPS
 - Develop original content and emergency communications, and air quality alerts for AirNow and other EPA media for twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn.
- Assist OAQPS staff in the development, implementation, and assessment of communication plans for upcoming regulations and agency initiatives.
- Coordinate policy and engagement webinars for Office of Air and Radiation
- Support OAQPS staff in developing and coordinating online regulatory hearings via Zoom.
- Main Projects Include
 - Woodstoves Testing Methods and Burnwise Program
 - Permitting
 - Transport and Designations
 - EtO continuing communications.
- Develop and lead internal organizational development initiatives.

Pathways Intern – Policy Analysis and Communications | **U.S. EPA** | Durham, NC | May 2022 – Present

- Supported OAQPS staff in the development, implementation, and assessment of communication plans for upcoming regulations and agency initiatives
- Completed air quality teacher workshop program evaluation for pathways summer project.
- Support OAQPS staff in developing and coordinating online regulatory hearings via Zoom.
- Main Projects Included:
 - Ethylene Oxide (EtO) Pre-Proposal Outreach and Engagement
 - Develop and coordinate listserv and how-to sign-up video on national webpage
 - Coordinate internal and external communications for agency and public distribution
 - Attend daily briefings with upper-level management on latest EtO issues
 - Provide technical assistance during EtO's National Public Webinar
 - Manage EtO inbox for public engagement and communication
 - Oil and Gas Supplemental Proposal Communications Plan
 - Developed Appendix K factsheet and edited communication plans
 - Wood Stove Testing Method Communication Plan
 - OAQPS Environmental Justice Newsletter
 - EPA Pathways Internship News Clip features and Interactive organization chart via SharePoint

Graduate Research Assistant | **UNC School of Government** | Chapel Hill, NC | January 2022-May 2022

- Assist Professor Maureen Berner in partnership with a Carrboro-based non-profit, CommunityWorx.
- Research post-Covid organization management in terms of HR, finance, process management, communications, program design, advancing DEI focused organizations, local government relations, and partnerships.
- Develop best practices for organizational efficiency and leadership initiatives.
- Edit academic papers for journal submission and School of Government blogs.

Graduate Research Assistant | **UNC School of Government** | Chapel Hill, NC | October 2021-May 2022

- Assist Professor Adam Lovelady in researching development and zoning changes in Chapel Hill's Blue Hill district and small area plan.
- Investigate impact of zoning changes on public input, permit approval time, and in form-based districts.
- Manage large sets of municipal development application data.
- Conduct background research, bibliography, and literature review for academic paper.

Graduate Research Assistant | **Environmental Finance Center** | Chapel Hill, NC | August 2021-December 2021

- Write affordability and financial health assessments for municipal concerning utility rates and long-term health.
- Research public and investor-owned utility audit accessibility across the United States.
- Create datasets concerning state utility audit accessibility, annual water audits, and flow moratoriums

Community Organizer & Education Coordinator | **Global Ministries** | Philadelphia, PA | August 2019-December 2020

- Developed and train a volunteer base of churches, universities, and community groups for a weekly community meal feeding 200 community members. Directed procurement, delivery, and cooking for the community meal. Manage weekly newsletter and social media for church and nonprofit.
- Expand grant writing program and wrote for \$40,000 of COVID-19 grants for daytime social services
- Expand community garden and community center with \$10,000 grant and directed weekly free produce market that supported 20 community members during summer 2020.
- Managed renovation project of community center during COVID-19 pandemic and learned bookkeeping. Ran community garden during COVID-19 and learned gardening and community organizing.

Environmental Law Research Assistant | **UNC School of Law** | Chapel Hill, NC | May – August 2018

- Assisted Donald Hornstein with coastal insurance and rebate policy in environmental law and policy.
- Utilized Lexus Uni to research state statutes concerning insurance and compile case studies.

Environmental Education Intern | **Haw River Assembly** | Bynum, NC | August - December 2018

- Taught watershed and ecosystem education for elementary school students
- Pursued grassroots political campaigning against proposed MVP Southgate pipeline
- Researched industrial contaminants and development on Haw River and Cape Fear watershed
- Collected water quality samples to be analyzed for contaminants

Additional Experience

Member | Student Leadership Committee | UNC-Chapel Hill MPA program | August 2021-Present

- Bureaucrat's Ball, Diversity Committee, Social Planning group

Senator | Graduate and Professional Student Government | UNC-Chapel Hill | August 2021-May 2022

- Oversight and Accountability Committee

Customer Service Support Representative | Labcorp | Burlington, NC | February - July 2021

- Facilitated calls with doctors, nurses, and patients to provide testing information, scheduling, and results.

Community Service Coordinator | Youthworks | Denver, CO | May – August 2018

- Coordinated community service for high school students with community partners and non-profit organizations

Awards and Certifications

Eagle Scout Award | UMC EarthKeepers | SERV Safe Certified | Youth Mental Health First Aid

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board: Eligible

Question applies to Board of Adjustment

Select a Seat Category for Board of Adjustment *

☒ Chapel Hill Town Resident

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ UNC Chapel Hill Student

Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Internet

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

Interests & Experiences

Question applies to multiple boards

How do you describe your previous advisory board experience?

☒ Little or No Experience

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I'm a current sophomore at UNC but also grew up in Chapel Hill, meaning that I can see the perspective from both sides of the aisle with regards to town-gown issues. I have a driver's license, but I mostly get around Chapel Hill by bus and bike, giving me significant lived experience with how people use multiple modes of transit.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I have significant experience writing for different roles and purposes, including as a freelance trivia question editor and as a high school and college newspaper columnist. This gives me the ability to communicate clearly to varied audiences and would likely come in handy for town board service. When I was in elementary school, I spent a truly excessive amount of time staring at local maps, so I like to think that I still have a strong understanding of local geography.

Question applies to Board of Adjustment

Do you have special interest, experience, or education/training in city planning or related fields? If yes, please explain.

I sometimes wrote columns concerning city planning and transportation for the ECHO, East Chapel Hill High School's student newspaper. In high school, I wrote about greenways and the idea of a fifteen-minute city; before I transferred to UNC I also wrote a column about maps for my former college newspaper. I wouldn't consider this significant experience or training, but it does reflect an interest in issues related to city planning. I'm also prospectively an economics major.

[Resume- Benjamin McAvoy-Bickford_6 .pdf](#)

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Ethnicity *

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

White

Please select your age from the following list. *

☒ 18-24

student

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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EDUCATION:

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill | Chapel Hill, NC | May 2026 (Expected)

Candidate for Bachelor of Arts

Major: Linguistics

East Chapel Hill High School | Chapel Hill, NC | June 2022

Cumulative GPA: 4.697/4.000 weighted (4.0/4.0 unweighted) | Class rank: 12/385

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

Cashier | The Fresh Market | Chapel Hill, NC | February 2022-August 2022, July 2023-September 2023

- Aided customers in finding specialty items
- Kept cashier lane clean and organized and hastened checking-out process for customers

Writer | National Academic Quiz Tournaments (NAQT) | July 2022-

- Wrote trivia questions and used a variety of computer systems to organize them

Quiz Bowl Editor | Freelance | April 2020-September 2023

- Wrote trivia questions and edited them for accuracy, quiz bowl format, and clear wording
- Reviewed the submissions of others on deadlines and incorporated them into the sets as a whole
- Handled all questions in the subjects of religion, world history, current events, and social sciences
- Responded to player feedback to improve the experience of playing trivia

OTHER EXPERIENCE:

Crossword Constructor | The Wall Street Journal | January 25, 2021 | Universal Syndicate | May 5, 2023

- Submitted numerous crosswords to newspapers and published others on a blog

Opinion Photo Editor | The Daily Pennsylvanian | Philadelphia, PA | January 2022-May 2023

- Selected and sometimes took photos to meet columnist specifications for most opinion columns, or summarized the opinion for the design department
- Wrote seven opinion columns to date on topics ranging from ChatGPT to language education

Assistant Instructor | Pinecone Bluegrass Camp | Raleigh & Cary, NC | June 2021 and June 2022

- Taught bluegrass music, particularly the mandolin and guitar, to elementary and middle schoolers
- Assisted instructors with organizational and procedural tasks

Club President | East Chapel Hill Quiz Bowl and History Bowl | Chapel Hill, NC | May 2020-June 2022

- Organized practices and tournaments for two interconnected clubs
- Led the quiz bowl team to 3rd at nationals in 2022 and was a top-8 individual at another nationals in 2021

USA Red Team Member | International Linguistics Olympiad | Isle of Man, UK | April 2022-July 2022

- Organized a school linguistics club that hosted the qualifying exams
- Received a silver medal as an individual and a bronze medal as a team

SKILLS:

Languages: English (native), German (intermediate), Latin (reading), Bahasa Indonesia (beginning)

Technical: Adobe InDesign, Wordpress, Google Suite, Photoshop

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Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

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Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

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☒ Advisory Board or Council member

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Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

Avid biker and conservationist. Career as an executive and investor in technology companies. Serve on charitable boards and committees. Believe that successful planning and project initiatives require reaching out, and proactively engaging with, the community, and other parties in interest such as government, academic institutions, and businesses. This includes building trust, and forming partnerships, by listening, working to understanding and incorporate diverse views, explaining issues, and communicating often and openly.

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A trustee and former trustee of not for profit organisations including: Trustee and Chair of the Investment Committee, the Royal Air Force Central Fund; Officer, North Carolina Co-Chair, and Hospitaller, the Order of St John of Jerusalem (operates the leading and non-sectarian eye hospitals in the West Bank); Court Member of The Worshipful Company of Gardeners (activities include education and apprenticeships in conservation and gardening); Ambassador for the Appeal, St Clement Dane (The Central Church of the RAF); former trustee and chair of the Investment Committee, The Cooper Union (New York college of engineering and architecture); former trustee, The RAF Museum; former trustee and Chair, RAF Museum American Foundation; former Chairman of the Investment Strategy Committee, The Brick Church of New York. Military: Currently: Hon Group Captain, 601 (County of London) Squadron, RAuxAF (Royal Air Force). Work: Technology investor and executive. Current activities include: Executive Director and Chief Strategist, Tassat Group, the leading blockchain-based payment platform for banks; Director, ESS Technology, designer of analog semiconductors; Co-CEO, Pictos Technology, inventor of CMOS cameras used in satellites, mobile phones, and many other devices. Former director of disruptive technology companies in networking, software, data storage, semiconductors, and proton radiation therapy. Committed to ensuring the highest standards in all activities. Education: MBA Harvard Business School; BA, MA Oxford University; currently in MA program at UNC Chapel Hill in Classics (ideologies of women in Greek drama).

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Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. *

☒ over 55

Investor

Occupation

John Michaelson

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

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Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☒ 1-3 years

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Question applies to Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership

Select a Seat Category for the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership *

☒ Chapel Hill Town Resident

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Bicycle Advocate and Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

- ☒ Email
- ☒ Other (provide additional information below)

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Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I am a student of Economics and a minor in City planning at the University of Chapel Hill. I do not own a car, so I walk/bike/use public transit to get around. I hope to advocate further and improve connectivity for all Chapel Hill residents who do not own a car. In addition, I, like many other students at the university, live in the dorms due to the high rent prices in Chapel Hill. I want to help create more affordable housing options for students and residents alike.

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I have experience using GIS software. Last summer, I was part of a research group in Iceland. My project was to map unmapped hiking trails and create online interactive maps. I was a public transportation coordinator for an NGO operating free public transit. I ensured buses departed on time and all riders were satisfied with our service. This gave me experience working with municipalities, public transportation, and managing other people. I am a team player with excellent leadership skills. I hope my experience and abilities will be beneficial to advancing the community of Chapel Hill.

[Resume.pdf](#)

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If other, please describe:

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☒ 18-24

Student

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Neill Mottes

SKILLS

- Management and organizational skills.
- Team oriented.
- Leadership.
- Fast and independent learner.
- GIS mapping: QGIS and Google Earth engine.

EXPERIENCE & NOTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Global Treks • Iceland and Remote • May 2023 – August 2023

GIS Intern

- Worked as part of a research group in Iceland, publishing a tour guide for Iceland.
- Collecting GIS data, utilizing GIS to analyze spatial data, creating maps, and contributing to data visualization.

Sun Valley Resort • Idaho • September 2021 – August 2022

Front Desk Agent

- A five-star ski resort in Idaho, the first ski resort in the USA.
- Performing Check in and Check out, arranging rides to and from the resort, addressing guests' needs, taking reservations, and giving information to guests about the area: ski area, transportation, restaurants, and hiking.

Noa Tanoa public transit advocate group • December 2019 - March 2020

Public transit coordinator

- Worked as a transportation coordinator for an NGO that operates public transit on Saturdays in Israel
- Making sure buses depart on time, assisting guests, and tracking and analyzing ridership.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill • Chapel Hill, NC • August 2022 - present

- Undergraduate student: economics major with minors in city planning and GIS.
- Graduated *Summa Cum Laude* from Handasaim Herzliya" High School is ranked #2 in Israel, while also learning in the Open University.
- Participated in a "Safe Cracking" group tournament to design and build a locking mechanism for a safe based on different physics principles. Organized by the Weizmann Institute of Science.

VOLUNTEERING

Public Nursing Home • September 2017- June 2018

- Volunteered to keep company for elderly people in a nursing home and engaged in various activities with them.

Sea of Galilee Trail • Summer 2016

- Participated in an initiative to build a hiking nature trail around the Sea of Galilee to benefit tourism and ease beach access for the local community.

INTERESTS & HOBBIES

- Sports: basketball, Snowboarding, and biking.
- Reading: history, politics, economics, and city planning.
- Nature/travel enthusiast: Mountain biking and hiking in Israel and abroad.

References will be provided upon request.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Date of Birth: 12.15.1999

Languages: English Native and Hebrew native

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Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

None Selected

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

☒ Advisory Board or Council member

☒ Social Media

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Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

Hi, my name is John Rees. And I believe I could contribute to the transportation board based on my previous experience of serving on the Chapel Hill Planning Commission. I served from 2016 until mid 2023 and this has made me very familiar with the town's development review process. As a past liaison to the transportation board, I am already familiar with the board's operation. I also serve on the vision zero task force and have always had a focus on transportation and especially transportation safety for people not in cars. I do realize that personal vehicles are the dominant mode of transportation, and can keep this fact in mind when working with the board. However, I am focused on bike walking and transit. I have provided assistance to the town on the greenways by helping collect counts on the towns greenway system as well and helping perform traffic counts for various projects. As an advisory board veteran, I can share my experiences to help the T board grow and continue to be effective. I have also served on the board and been president of the Carolina Tarwheels Bicycle Club as well as the Bicycle Alliance of Chapel Hill.

John B Rees

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I am a recent member and also past chair of the Planning Commission, and have acquired several years of experience. I have attended several workshops and talks held by the UNC department of regional planning. I attended a week long Tactical Urbanism workshop. I have also presented, representing the town, on two occasions at the MPO Triangle Bicycle and Pedestrian workshop. I have read books by several celebrated planners, such as "Walkable City" by Jeff Speck, "Happy City" by Charles Montgomery, "Urban Code", by Anne Mikoleit and Moritz Purckhaur, "Dream Cities" by Wade Graham, "City of Light – the Making of Modern Paris" by Rupert Christensen. I have attended the BikeWalk NC conferences on several occasions and have also participated with the Bike Walk NC organization

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Computer Architect

Occupation

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Question applies to EZ Rider Advisory Committee

Are you a consumer of the EZ Rider service?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to EZ Rider Advisory Committee

Where do you work or study? *

- ☒ Chapel Hill
- ☒ None of these apply

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

Select a Seat Category for the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board *

- ☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Which Board is your First Choice? *

None Selected

How did you find out about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

- ☒ Email

If you chose "Other" from the advertising opportunity listed above, please specify:

Interests & Experiences

What perspective(s) do you bring to the board(s), commission(s), committee(s) or task force(s) to which you are applying?

I am visually impaired (progressive retinal disease) and have not driven for 20 years. I have been using Chapel Hill transit and GoTriangle in order to get to work (until recently). I am also a user of the EZ Rider paratransit system for the last 10 years or so as well as the GoTriangle Access system. I continue to use the fixed route buses when it is convenient (I live in Meadownmont). I have served on the Town's EZ Rider Advisory Committee (EZRAC) since 2018 and was its chair for about 2 years. I am also the EZRAC representative to the NSBRT advisory committee. Based on these experiences I believe I can be a strong advocate for the disability community (those with vision, mobility, and/or cognitive challenges).

Please provide a brief summary of any other relevant qualifications (skills, abilities, interests and/or experience) you bring.

I have been an advocate for ways to help those with a visual impairment for many years, including testing and publicizing the North Carolina online accessible absentee ballot voting system available to that community. Recently I have been pursuing getting crosswalks that have regular crossing signals upgraded to accessible pedestrian signal (APS) systems. I have 50 years of experience in technology so have a keen interest in emerging technologies that will help the visually impaired. (Actually, it is often the case that providing such technology improves things for all.) Finally, I am a member of several area blind/low vision groups and so have a large community of people to draw on for input on issues related to transportation.

You may upload a supporting document (e.g., CV or resume). Please be advised that any information submitted becomes a public record and may be searchable online.

Demographics

The Town Council seeks to attract persons from diverse backgrounds and believes that childcare and transportation is a potential barrier for qualified and interested applicants. See the [Childcare and Transportation Assistance pilot](#) for further details. In order to consider this application and provide some balance to the various boards, this personal information is required:

Ethnicity *

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender *

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. *

☒ over 55

Retired (doing some consulting)

Occupation

Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Ethics Statement

ETHICS GUIDELINES FOR TOWN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Members of advisory boards and commissions shall not vote on any matter in which they have a conflict of interest or an interest which reasonably might appear to be in conflict with the concept of fairness in dealing with public business. A conflict of interest or a potential conflict occurs if the outcome of the matter being considered is reasonably likely to have a direct, substantial, and readily identifiable financial impact on the member. In addition, members of the Historic District Commission and Board of Adjustment, when these boards are hearing cases, serve as quasi-judicial bodies. Pursuant to General Statute 160D-109(d), members of these boards “shall not participate in or vote on any quasi-judicial matter in a manner that would violate affected persons’ constitutional rights to an impartial decision maker. Impermissible violations of due process include, but are not limited to, a member having a fixed opinion prior to hearing the matter that is not susceptible to change, undisclosed ex parte communications, a close familial, business, or other associational relationship with an affected person, or a financial interest in the outcome of the matter.” Any member who violates these Ethics Guidelines may be subject to removal from the board or commission. If the advisory board or commission member believes he/she has a conflict of interest then that member shall recuse himself/herself from voting on the matter. In cases where the individual member or the advisory board or commission establishes a conflict of interest, then the advisory board or commission member shall remove themselves from the voting area. Any advisory board or commission member may seek the counsel of the Town Attorney on questions regarding the interpretation of these ethics guidelines or other conflict of interest matters. The interpretation may include a recommendation on whether or not the advisory board or commission member should excuse himself/herself from voting. The advisory board or commission member may request the Town Attorney respond in writing.

☒ I Agree *

Applications will be kept on file from July 1st to June 30th of the same fiscal year. Please reapply each fiscal year if you are still interested in serving on an Advisory Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force and have not yet been appointed.