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## Profile

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**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

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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 \***

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☒ Bicycle Advocate and Chapel Hill Resident

**Which Board is your First Choice? \***

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☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

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

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- ☒ Advisory Board or Council member  
☒ Other (provide additional information below)

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

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I am an existing Board Member (Storm water)

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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?**

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I have been on the Stormwater Advisory Board for over two years and greatly enjoyed the opportunity to help protect the health, beauty and environment of Chapel Hill. Transportation is an essential part of each of our lives and I look forward to a chance to enhance our opportunities to safely and happily move around Town.

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

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I have held the position of Built Environment Program Director for the NC Division of Public Health. I also have been the Southeaster Field Representative for the East Coast Greenway. My current work involves stream corridors and greenways. I am an active bicyclist and green-streets advocate.

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### Ethnicity \*

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

### Gender \*

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. \*

☒ over 55

Scientist

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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## Ethics Statement

## ETHICS GUIDELINES FOR TOWN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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Which Board is your First Choice? \*

☒ Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

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

☒ Email

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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?**

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I used to work for the Transportation for America campaign within Smart Growth America. I was the Field Director for the campaign and worked to engage stakeholders that were supportive of transportation policies that promoted a transportation system that supported environmentally sound, equitable, economically strong communities. Some of the relevant work that I did there included education around well-designed streets that are safe for all users, including bicyclists and pedestrians (Complete Streets) and the importance of access to public transit. I am passionate about supporting a holistic approach to transportation that makes it possible for all people to have transportation options, including biking, walking, and transit. I conducted focused education on ways that our transportation system could better serve distinct populations, including minority populations in urban areas, senior citizens, people in rural areas, Millennials, and suburban commuters. I built coalitions that included representatives from organizations as diverse as the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, the Urban League, the Navajo Nation Department of Transportation, the AARP, and local and national bicycle and pedestrian advocacy groups. I believe strongly in seeking feedback from all stakeholders to create a holistic approach to a transportation system that benefits everyone. I currently am the Transportation Finance and Operations Manager at the NC Clean Energy Technology Center, where I work with both private and public fleets across the state on ways that they can implement clean transportation technologies. In my current position, I have done research for the U.S. EPA on smart mobility initiatives across the United States. I wish to work to ensure that our transportation system in Chapel Hill is meeting the needs of all residents, including (but not limited to) students, low-income residents, senior citizens, and local businesses. I will actively seek feedback from a diverse range of stakeholders, using my experience in coalition-building around transportation to seek common ground so that decisions are made that best meet everyone's needs. I prefer to continue on to serve on the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board over the Housing Advisory Board, given my experience as chair. With regards to my experience on housing, I am co-chair of the Housing Committee for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP, where I work in solidarity with low-income residents of Chapel Hill to elevate their concerns as housing decisions are made.

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I have been transit dependent in Chapel Hill in the past and still use transit a couple times per month. I am an occasional biker. Due to my professional experience on transportation policy related to bicyclist and pedestrian safety I feel qualified to continue on as the bicycle advocate but I also could serve as a Chapel Hill resident.

[Heather Brutz resume.doc](#)

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**Gender \***

☒ Female

**If other, please describe:**

**Please select your age from the following list. \***

☒ 35-54

Clean Transportation Senior  
Program Manager

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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# HEATHER BRUTZ

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## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, Kenan-Flagler Business School** – Chapel Hill, NC 2015  
**Master of Business Administration (MBA)**, Full-Time Program

- Beta Gamma Sigma member—awarded to the top 20% of the graduating class

**WILLIAMS COLLEGE** – Williamstown, MA 2002  
**Bachelor of Arts**, Political Science and Environmental Studies, graduated *cum laude*

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## EXPERIENCE

**NC CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CENTER, NC STATE UNIVERSITY** – Raleigh, NC Current  
**Clean Transportation Program Manager**

- Provided technical assistance to businesses and government agency fleets on implementation of clean transportation technologies
- Directed the NC Smart Fleet initiative and increased the number of participating fleets by 55%
- Wrote textbook for national fleet management organization on sustainable fleet management

**UNC KENAN-FLAGLER SUSTAINABILITY CAPSTONE** – Chennai, India and Eastern NC 2015  
**Student Consultant**

- Investigated options for a water ferry system on the Albemarle Sound and recommended option for further investigation
- Researched market for off-grid solar products in India for a multinational solar company

**DUPONT** – Wilmington, DE 2014  
**Market Driven Leadership Development Program Intern, DuPont Photovoltaic Solutions**

- Identified potential new markets in U.S. and Europe for a protective film, including an emerging field with the potential to be a \$50M market
- Created idea for potential new product working in conjunction with 4 scientists and engineers and created roadmap for further testing and development steps

**TRANSPORTATION FOR AMERICA** – Washington, DC 2010-2013  
**Deputy Field Director (2012-2013)**

- Created and implemented outreach strategies for the 8-person field team to build bipartisan support for federal transportation policies that promote local control, economic development, and public health

**Regional Organizer (2010-2012)**

- Built relationship with and mobilized stakeholders in southern and western states, including Tennessee, Florida, New Mexico, Idaho, South Dakota, and Washington
- Supervised organizers in California, Montana, Minnesota, Oregon

**PARTNERSHIP PROJECT** – Washington, DC 2009-2010  
*Nonprofit organization that coordinates the advocacy efforts of national environmental organizations*  
**Clean Energy Works Field Coordinator**

- Managed the development of a database to track the coordinated actions of 220 field organizers in 10 environmental organizations to build support for a federal comprehensive clean energy and climate bill
  - Organized a DC Lobby Day with over 200 businesses encouraging Congress to pass a climate bill
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## ADDITIONAL

- Fluent in Spanish

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☒ 0-12 months

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☒ Chapel Hill Resident

**Which Board is your First Choice? \***

☒ Town Council

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

☒ Internet

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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 interested in affordable housing for non-homeowners, ADA compliance, improving public spaces, and green transportation alternatives. I am also interested in making the town more livable for town employees and couples looking to start a family.

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

I work for the Department of Public Works and my partner is an Occupational Therapist getting her PhD in Occupational Science. She is concerned with accessibility for individuals with limited mobility.

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### Gender \*

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. \*

☒ 25-34

Administration Assistant-  
Communications 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?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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I SERVED ON RALEIGH TRANIST AUTHORITY FORM 2001-2006

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

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER, RADIO AMATEUR

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Joseph M Jjohnston



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☒ over 55

RETIREED ELECTRICAL  
ENGINEER

Occupation

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**Which Board is your First Choice? \***

☒ Chapel Hill Library Advisory Board

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☒ Internet

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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?**

For the library advisory board, I bring my perspective as a high school student, who makes frequent use of the Chapel Hill Public Library in addition to the CHCCS and UNC libraries. I have also volunteered at the Chapel Hill Public Library, so I have a good sense of how its operations impact patrons' experiences. For the transportation advisory board, I bring my perspective as a user of Chapel Hill Transit, biker, and walker.

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

In addition to an interest in access to knowledge and public libraries, I bring experience participating in the governance of the Interference Archive in Brooklyn, New York. I have also served on the SIT at Smith Middle School and in leadership positions of large clubs in CHCCS, which have provided me experience in community outreach and engaging with diverse stakeholders.

Benjamin B Knight

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If other, please describe:

### Please select your age from the following list. \*

☒ 18-24

High school student

Occupation

### Are you a caregiver for or identify with a disability?

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### Have you participated in the Peoples Academy?

☐ Yes ☒ No

### Are you a Town of Chapel Hill employee?

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## Profile

Whenever possible, submit your application prior to the scheduled meeting of the affected advisory board so that they can consider all applications prior to making a recommendation to Council.

## Public Records Statement

**I acknowledge that all information submitted in this application becomes a public record and will be searchable online. The Town is not able to remove information from the public record once it has been posted.**

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Email Address

Christopher

First Name

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Middle Initial

Worrell

Last Name

308 Abbot Place

Street Address

Suite or Apt

CHAPEL HILL

City

NC

State

27516

Postal Code

Home: (910) 330-8437

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

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Residency within the Town limits is required for membership on most Council advisory bodies. Memberships of some committees and task forces may be composed of up to forty percent of non-Town residents.

## What district do you live in? \*

☒ Chapel Hill Town limits (Purple)

[Please consult the town maps HERE if you are unsure.](#)

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

☒ 0-12 months

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The Council encourages you to visit a meeting of the group that you are interested in serving on. Please choose no more than two groups from the list below to which you would like to apply.

## Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board: Eligible

Question applies to Parks, Greenways and Recreation Commission

**Select a Seat Category for the Parks, Greenways and Recreation Commission \***

☒ Chapel Hill Resident

Question applies to Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board

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

☒ Greenways 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)**

☒ Brochure

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

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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?**

In many communities of all sizes across the country it has been proven that easy access to work/home/play for all economic levels benefits the community. Whether it is allowing more people to access our community through micro-transportation, accessible parking, public transit, or safely paved and divided bike lanes.

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

As a policy professional, I have spent over a decade in community relations, most recently advocating for clean and micro-transportation policy adoption and the federal level and believe my network and knowledge can benefit the citizens of Chapel Hill by bringing resources to the community.



## [Chris Worrell Resume.pdf](#)

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.**

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### 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 \*

☒ Prefer not to Answer

#### Gender \*

☒ Male

If other, please describe:

Please select your age from the following list. \*

☒ 35-54

#### Government Relations

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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### Ethics Statement

## ETHICS GUIDELINES FOR TOWN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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Members of advisory boards and commissions shall not discuss, advocate, or 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 a member has a separate, private, or monetary interest, either direct or indirect, in any issue or transaction under consideration. 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 State Statute 106A-388(e)(2), 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 should ask the advisory board or commission to be recused from voting. The advisory board or commission should then vote on the question on whether or not to excuse the member making the request. 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.

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## **CHRISTOPHER WORRELL**

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Environmental Defense Fund, Washington, D.C., Government Relations Manager, February 2020 - Present**

- Collaborates in the development and implementation of government relations and communications strategy with program staff.
- Authors press releases, blogs, social media, and op-ed's on behalf of EDF, our coalitions, and congressional allies.
- Represents EDF in engagement and building relationships with Congressional staff and members to support legislative action in sustainable agriculture, clean energy, resilience, and other climate policy areas.
- Cultivates and sustains stakeholder relationships across the federal, state, and business community.
- Monitors legislative proposals and policy trends to share with EDF and ensure teams are prepared to execute engagement opportunities.
- Develops best practices and implementation of federal affairs management software.
- Lead EDF's efforts to include clean energy, transportation, efficiency, and storage tax credit in the 2022 infrastructure and reconciliation packages.

#### **Office of House Financial Services Ranking Member Patrick McHenry (NC-10), Washington, D.C., Legislative Assistant, June 2016 - February 2020**

- Collaborated with the Natural Resources Committee, House Leadership, and a coalition of stakeholders on the passage of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Authorization which has an estimated \$442 million in economic activity and sustains more than 3,000 jobs from a \$214 million federal investment.
- Authored the reauthorization for the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area (BRNHA), which was included in S.47 and signed into law on March 12, 2019. The BRNHA contributes \$2.39 billion annually to the economy of the region, supporting more than 30,000 jobs and generates \$176.5 million annually in state and local tax revenue.
- Successfully petitioned USTR, Dept of Energy, and the Dept. of Commerce to grant a Bifacial High-Voltage Solar Panels exclusion from the Section 201 tariffs which have caused 435 MW of lost production and 3,300 lost jobs in North Carolina.
- Lead staffer for the Small Brewers Caucus and provided leadership for the inclusion of the Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act, into the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. This legislation provided approximately \$49 million per year in tax relief to help strengthen our nation's smallest brewers and support their efforts to maintain and generate jobs.
- Worked with the FDA and Hop Growers of America to exclude hops, which has an annual production value of \$583 million, from the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption Rule.
- Helped sway USDA-ARS to increase their commitment to hops genetic/molecular research by using economic impact data to show the correlation between research dollars and economic output.

#### **Office of Rep. Comstock (VA-10), Washington, D.C., Legislative Assistant, Jan. 2015 – June 2016**

- Drafted Congresswoman's media presence among digital and print outlets for issues related to federal workers, science & technology, and drug policy.
- Spearheaded heroin task forces, forums, and regional roundtables, leading to the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA) establishing a comprehensive strategy and \$181 million annually for grants program to expand prevention, education, treatment and recovery.
- Worked with committee staff to write the Research and Development Efficiency Act, which passed the House in the 114th Congress. It harmonizes, streamlines, and eliminates duplicative federal regulations and reporting requirements to minimize the regulatory burden on U.S. institutions of higher education performing federally funded research while maintaining accountability for federal tax dollars.

#### **Comstock for Congress, Sterling, Virginia, Field Director, Jan. 2014 – Dec. 2014**

#### **Jacksonville Police Department, Jacksonville, North Carolina, Police Officer I/II, Feb. 2008 – Feb. 2013**

### **EDUCATION**

**University of Mount Olive, Jacksonville, NC; B.A., Criminology, 2015**