

City of Asheville
BOARDS & COMMISSIONS
Application Form

Applicants are strongly urged to attend several meetings of a board prior to applying

Name of board or commission: Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee (HIAC)

Your name: Rick Freeman Home Phone #: 434-806-7203

Street address: 261 White Pine Dr City: Asheville Zip Code: 28805

Mailing address (if different): _____

Employer: Retired; Volunteering for Coalition of Asheville Neighborhoods

Your position: President Office Phone #: 434-806-7203

Resident of City Asheville County Buncombe Race White * Gender Identity: (non-trans) man *

Are you a Homeowner or a Renter? * Homeowner Age: 66

Residence location (check one): Central _____ North _____ South _____ East ☒ West _____

Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest that may arise during your service on this board (i.e., property interest, business interest, etc.)? If so, please explain: None
_____. Potential conflicts of interest do not preclude appointments.

Please indicate the area(s) of expertise that you can bring to the above board(s), and then in detail list education, experience, reasons for your interest, and other factors that support your interest in serving **Applicants are encouraged to provide a cover letter and/or a brief resume. Please use additional sheets if necessary.**

As a member of the Coalition of Asheville Neighborhoods (CAN) and a board member of the Kenilworth Forest Residents Association, I have dedicated my last five years to healthy, resilient neighborhoods. I have expended hundreds of volunteer hours to help Asheville neighborhoods and my neighborhood be safe, enjoyable and collaborative places to live. Based on my pre-retirement expertise as an engineer, and leader of large and small team, I have a proven volunteer track record of finding common ground, working with facts not emotion and creating a collaborative environment.

The permanent supportive housing (PSH) that will open at the Days Inn, has driven my neighborhood and I to learn about chronic homelessness, how it is funded, and the challenges to long term success, including community support. It is critical that HIAC continually hears the voice of neighborhoods and can count on neighborhood members to educate their neighbors.

I have met with NAEH and have begun a productive relationship. You can confirm my work ethic and commitment to the long term health of Asheville through my work as Vice Chair of the Noise Advisory Board (NAB) by checking with city staff supporting that board.

I have attended all NAB virtual meetings, even when out of town. I know that returning to in-person meetings is likely in 2022 or 2023. I will need to attend HAIC virtually on occasion.

Return to:

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Fax #: 259-5499

Signature: _____

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* This information is requested for the sole purpose of assuring that a cross section of the community is appointed.