

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO
VACANT ELECTED POSITION
ASHLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER¹**

Please type or print answers to the following questions and submit to the City Recorder at City Hall, 20 E Main Street, or email melissa.huhtala@ashland.or.us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Recorder at 541.552.2084 (p) or 541.613.0194 (c).
Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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1. What do you think are the biggest issues facing the Parks and Recreation Commission currently?

Curacy depends heavily on tourist activity. When guests come to participate in our economy they frequent our Parks, many of which are magnificent. The Parks and Rec Commission appears to be overextended: too much to maintain w/out a clear-fiscally responsible plan to do so. Our residents and tourists deserve to have beautiful and accessible parks and recreation. We can better assure this w/ a more efficient funding and spending plan.

2. Do you have experience working with local government, paid or volunteer?

If yes, please describe: Y/S

- * AmeriCorps VISTA, Washington County Youth Services; Montpelier VT.
- * Transitional living for Young males on conditional release; Barre Vt.
- * Various local volunteering projects

3. Do you have past non-governmental volunteer experience?

If yes, please describe:

- * AmeriCorps VISTA: Grant writing, Community organizing, fundraising, Public outreach, Program implementation. Direct liaison w/ Local government, schools, and corrections dept.
- * Numerous Youth mentoring programs
- * community organizing around various causes



¹ Article XIX of the City Charter establishes the position of Park Commissioner as an elected position. Article XXII establishes the Recreation Commission and states that the positions of Recreation Commissioner shall be filled by the elected Park Commissioners.

4. What is your educational background?

Please describe: STUDENT OF: MARYLHURST UNIV. WEST LINDA OR
SOU ASHLAND OR

5. Why are you interested in this position?

I am interested in this position because I am vested in ASHLAND. I have a family of five and have been in Ashland now for 15 years. I intend to stay here and would like to do my part to see our city and residents thrive. Ashland has many wonderful parks and recreation options. The financial cost of maintaining these parks has proven to be a heavy burden on our city. I would like to do my part to find the best and most fiscally responsible manner in which to maintain our parks and recreation resources.

I am confident this can be accomplished through open and clear communication w/ ALL Parks and Recreation Commissioners, Ashland City Commissioners, the Mayor and our residents.

We are a very fortunate city. Lets make the most out of what we have.

2/9/22
Date

Bryant DeLoay
Signature

