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#### CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE

### Application for Charlottesville City Council Appointed Member Applications must be received in the Office of the Clerk of Council no later than 5 p.m. on January 30, 2023

In accordance with City Charter Sec. 8, the City seeks qualified applicants for appointment to the Charlottesville City Council to fill the unexpired term of departing Councilor Magill. Pursuant to state and local law, qualified applicants must be a resident of the City of Charlottesville for at least thirty days prior to appointment to fill the vacant seat. All persons who are qualified voters of the City of Charlottesville shall be eligible for appointment to fill the unexpired term until December 31, 2023. The appointed council member shall, before entering upon the duties of their offices, take the oaths prescribed for all City Councilors under Virginia law and qualify before the Charlottesville Circuit Court.

**CONTACT INFORMATION** 

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QU	JALIFICATIONS
1.	How long have you resided in the City of Charlottesville? 40 years
2.	Have you ever been elected or appointed as an Officer or Commissioner for the City of Charlottesville? Yes If so, please explain.
	Charlottesville City Council (January 2012-December 2019)-see attached for details. City School Board (January 2008- December 2011)- see attached for details.
3.	Please indicate why you are interested in serving on City Council:  See attached

- 4. Please indicate areas of your experience and knowledge that you see as important for consideration of your application for appointment:

  See attached.
- 5. Please list any relevant leadership skills or educational training: See attached.

Attachments are provided

No attachments were necessary

Signature

Date

1/29/23

Please be advised that upon submission, this application and supporting documents becomes a public record and may be published by the City of Charlottesville.

Return application to:

Kyna Thomas, Clerk of Council 605 East Main Street P.O. Box 911 Charlottesville, VA 22902

OR

Clerk@charlottesville.gov

- 1. How long have you resided in the City of Charlottesville? 40 years (including my time as a graduate student in architecture at the University of Virginia, School of Architecture.)
- 2. Have you ever been elected or appointed as an Officer or Commissioner for the City of Charlottesville? Yes. If so, please explain. See Below.

# **Elected Office and Appointments**

#### Served on the Charlottesville City Council (2012-2020) and the following Council appointments.

- Capital Improvements Committee (2012-2020)
- Virginia General Assembly Legislative Subcommittee (2019)
- Friendship Court Redevelopment Advisory Committee (2015-2020)
- Piedmont Workforce Network (PWN) chair (2012-2019)
- Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority and Rivanna Solid Waste Authority board member (2012-2019)
- Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional Transit Partnership vice-chair (2017-2019)
- Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization vice-chair (2016-2019)
- Hydraulic Planning Advisory Panel member, representing City Council and MPO (2017-2018)
- Planning and Coordination Council with UVA, City Council and County Board of Supervisors (2016-2018)
- University of Virginia Darden School of Business I. Lab Incubator Selection Committee (2015-2019)
- Thomas Jefferson Health District Advisory Committee "Mobilizing for Action" (2015-2016)
- Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission vice-chair (2014-2016)

#### Served on the Charlottesville City School Board (2008-2012) and the following Board appointments.

- Capital Improvements Committee (2008-2012)
- Housing Advisory Committee (2008-2012)
- Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA) Redevelopment Committee (2010-2012)
  - 3. Please indicate why you are interested in serving on City Council:

Sena Magill's strong voice for affordable housing, environmental sustainability, healthy communities, and collegiality on City Council will be missed. As Sena also demonstrated, addressing these needs requires listening to all voices, especially those who have long been marginalized. I hope to use my expertise as an architect and urban designer, and experience as a former City School Board member and Councilor, to advance these priorities while assisting the current Council grapple with other tough policy issues in the months ahead. Those issues include but are not limited to adopting a new zoning ordinance, hiring a permanent city manager, adopting the city budget, building more affordable housing, making our streets safe for walking, taking the bus and cycling, and increasing transit ridership. Addressing these and other challenges will require a Council that works together, in concert with its City Management Team and the community it serves. Should my background be helpful in these efforts, it would be an honor and a privilege to serve once again on Council, but I will not seek election to the City Council in 2024.

4. Please indicate areas of your experience and knowledge that you see as important for consideration of your application for appointment:

## **Work Experience**

#### Design Principal-RENAISSANCE PLANNING GROUP (2021-present and 2001-2008)

Provide design leadership and mentoring for a 20 to 30-person, multi-disciplinary land use and transportation planning, and urban design office that works with and for governments, agencies, and developers to design and operationalize equitable and sustainable communities and transit-oriented developments (TODs) in Florida, South Carolina, and Virginia.

#### Principal- GALVIN ARCHITECTS (1996-2021) PLACEWORKS COLLABORATIVE, INC (2011-2015)

- Evaluated site plan submittals and codes of development as Fauquier County, VA's Town Architect.
- Led community engagement efforts for public planning events in Albemarle and Fauquier Counties.
- Designed walkable, inclusive, neighborhoods in the Town of Orange, Fauquier and Albemarle Counties and redesigned storefronts in Charlottesville's Downtown in keeping with district design guidelines..

#### Charlottesville City Councilor (January 2012-December 2019)- Together with my colleagues:

- Instituted the Downtown Job Center, Growing Opportunity Program, and Food Equity Initiative,
- Invested in a citywide Housing Needs Assessment,
- Funded the initial phases of redevelopment at Crescent Halls and Friendship Court,
- Initiated a comprehensive planning and rezoning process based on principles of equity and sustainability,
- Promoted walking, cycling and bus riding as an integral part of street design via the Streets that Work Initiative
  and the Belmont Bridge and West Main Street Improvement Plans,
- Helped city residents envision an inclusive, amenity-rich future for their neighborhoods without displacement via the Strategic Investment Area, Hydraulic, Starr Hill and Fifeville Small Area Plans, and
- Oversaw operational and capital budgets ranging from \$40 to 190 million for the Charlottesville School Division,
   Charlottesville City Government and the Rivanna Water and Sewer and Solid Waste Authorities.

#### Charlottesville School Board Member (January 2008-December 2011)- Together with my colleagues:

- Invested in a management efficiency study that gave rise to the school reconfiguration plan and collapsing of academic tracks in Charlottesville High School (CHS,) and
- Instituted an urban design studio at CHS in partnership with the Charlottesville Community Design Center, to introduce students to the history of Vinegar Hill and complexities of neighborhood design and redevelopment.

# Adjunct Faculty Member-UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE (2004-2019) Taught graduate level courses on sustainable, equitable transit-ready neighborhood design and professional practice.

#### Assistant Director-DESIGN RESOURCE CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA (1998-2001)

Designed and visualized growth scenarios with performance outcomes as part of the Eastern Planning Initiative and the Nelson County, VA comprehensive plan in partnership with the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission.

#### Rehabilitation Specialist- CHARLOTTESVILLE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (1994-1996)

Designed and oversaw the construction of over 200 affordable, addition and remodeling projects for low-income homeowners as well as new single-family homes for first time homebuyers with details compatible with the neighborhood.

On-site Affordable Housing Manager and State-wide Rental Assistance Coordinator Boston, MA (1978–1982) Managed over 200 units of site-based Section 8 housing across the City of Boston and oversaw the development and administration of a state-operated rental assistance program across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

5. Please list any relevant leadership skills or educational training:

## **Education, Credentials and Distinctions**

- National American Institute of Architects (AIA) College of Fellows (2021)
- Sorensen Institute's Political Leadership, an affiliate of the Weldon Cooper Center, UVA (2015)
- Virginia Architectural Registration, No. 7424 (since 1989),
- Master of Architecture, University of Virginia (UVA), Charlottesville, VA (1986)
- Bachelor of Arts Economics/Geography with Distinction, Boston University, Boston, MA (1978)

# **Public Speaking**

- Architects, Engineers, Contractors (AEC) Conference, "Advocacy Roundtable", VA Beach VA (2022)
- National AIA Leadership Academy, "Advocating for Design" virtual class (2022).
- National AIA Legislative Exchange, Architects in Action "Building a Story" (2021)
- Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) Conference, "Form Based Codes and Equity" Louisville, KY (2019)
- University of Virginia (UVA) Law School "Shaping Justice" Conference, Charlottesville, VA (2019)
- American Planning Association (APA) Conference, "Planners as Change Agents" Nelson County, VA (2018)
- Virginia Municipal League (VML) Conference, "Healthy Eating, Active Living (HEAL)" Norfolk, VA (2018)
- UVA, Jane Jacobs Symposium, "Jacobs' Ideas at Work Today" Charlottesville, VA (2017)
- American Institute of Architects (AIA) Arch-Ex Conference, "The Citizen Architect" Richmond, VA (2017)
- International Making Cities Livable (IMCL) Conference, "Sustainable, Equitable Cities" Rome, Italy (2016)
- AIA Virginia Arch-Ex Conference, "Process in Diverse Communities; Strategic Investment Area" (2014)
- AIA Virginia Arch-Ex Conference, "North Orange, VA, Form Based Code" Richmond, VA (2013)
- CNU Conference, "Holistic Neighborhood Revitalization as School Reform" Madison, WI (2011)
- IMCL Conference, "Reimagining Educational Reform and Urban Form" Charleston, SC (2010)