

PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Name: Joe R. Almazan

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zip: 78704(512)

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone:

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Urban Planner

Employer: City of Austin (Ret.)

Summary Information:

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☐ No ☒ Yes

2. The group will consider geographic diversity for representation. What area(s) of town are you particularly knowledgeable of within Austin?

(a) The urban core bounded by US Hwy 183 (N), Mopac/Loop 1 (W), Ben White Blvd (S), Ed Bluestein/US Hwy 183 (E); (b) Areas further south of Austin between Ben White Blvd. and Slaughter Lane, and east between Manor Rd. and Cesar Chavez; (c) Downtown Austin and the University of Texas/West Campus area; (d) other areas per job experience.

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

Blinn College (A.A., 1984), Texas A&M (B.A. Political Science, 1986), Texas A&M (Master of Urban & Regional Planning, 1989); TABA - Texas Accessibility Academy (1994, 2012); US DOT & FHWA Designing Pedestrian Facilities for Accessibility (2003); ITE Webinars on Complete Streets, Traffic Calming, Intersection Design for Pedestrians and Bicyclists, etc.

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☐ No ☒ Yes:

5. Affirmative Action information: This information is voluntary, and is being collected to consider diversity for Pedestrian Advisory Council membership.

☒ Male ☐ Female Racial/Ethnic Background: Hispanic/Latino

6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

City of Austin, Planning & Development Review Dept (01/02/90-06/30/14); 24.5 years of service with same city dept./job roles as Site Plan Reviewer and Transportation Reviewer (1990-98), Development Service Process Coordinator (1999-04), Senior Transportation Reviewer and lead planner (2004-07) and Transportation Review Program supervisor (2007-13), and Policy Planning & Special Projects Coordinator (2013-14) upon retirement.

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

Over 24 years as city senior staff employee with technical expertise and knowledge of the City Code (Title 12, 14, 25), Transportation Criteria Manual, and other technical criteria manuals, including historical background on previous city code & regulations on sidewalk requirements with city's development review process; Also experience coordinating with other city depts on sidewalks, ADA accessibility, and other pedestrian related issues; Also familiarity with federal (ADA), state (TAS) and city (2012 IBC) on accessibility regulations.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

As a long-term resident of Austin and long-term dedicated service with the City of Austin as a land use & transportation planner, I have always maintained an interest and commitment on safe, convenient, and functional pedestrian facilities that serves all population groups whether it is for commuting and/or recreational purpose within our city. The current city code and technical criteria regulations and policies on sidewalks, curb ramps, trails, and fiscal obligations have not been historically effective in addressing the significance or promoting the awareness to the community and overall public on good pedestrian planning including master sidewalk plan implementation and design of pedestrian facilities for all users as part of publicly funded projects and private developments.

9. In what ways do you identify as a pedestrian (check all that applies):

- ☐ I am a pedestrian as my primary mode of transportation.
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- ☒ I am a regular recreational pedestrian.
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- ☐ I am seldom a pedestrian but want to be more.
- ☐ Other:

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

(a) Sidewalks and Trails and the federal American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the state Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) as part of the City of Austin's development regulations and code enforcement policies on ensuring continuous accessible paths of travel in older established residential neighborhoods and older commercial districts.

(b) Sidewalks as part of the Safe School Route Program through the City's Public Works Dept. and coordination with AISD, but also other school entities like IDEA and private.

11. Can you commit to being in attendance at Regular Meetings and Subcommittee Meetings in order to complete the work of the PAC?

☐ No ☒ Yes

12. Are there any obstacles to you attending regularly scheduled meetings of the PAC? (Regular meetings occur the first Monday of every month. The PAC reserves the right to change the meeting dates, locations, and to call special meetings.)

☒ No ☐ Yes

If "yes", please explain:

13. Additional comments:

I'm currently a full member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council since May 2014. It's my belief that given my experience and knowledge as a former City of Austin employee, which includes expertise in the city's development review and permit process, and city code, policies, and regulations established by Title 25 and the Transportation Criteria Manual would benefit the PAC group in its efforts and goals towards addressing pedestrian issues in the design and implementation of future pedestrian planning, design, funding, education, and enforcement efforts in our city.

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Name: Mary Faith Cowart

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zip: 78723

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Orientation and Mobility Spc

Employer: Texas School for the Blind

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2. The group will consider geographic diversity for representation. What area(s) of town are you particularly knowledgeable of within Austin?

I know central Austin and east Austin best. Because I am a Mobility instructor,

I know a little bit about all of Austin.

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

BAA from UT Austin, Masters work at TTU in Lubbock Texas in Orientation and Mobility

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☒ No ☐ Yes:

5. Affirmative Action information: This information is voluntary, and is being collected to consider diversity for Pedestrian Advisory Council membership.

☐ Male ☒ Female Racial/Ethnic Background: White

6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

Texas School for the Blind from 1998 to present

DARS from 2002 to present

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I work with the blind and visually impaired and multi-handicapped and have a very good understanding of both populations.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

The help represent the blind population living in Austin Texas.

9. In what ways do you identify as a pedestrian (check all that applies):

- ☐ I am a pedestrian as my primary mode of transportation.
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- ☒ I am a regular recreational pedestrian.
- ☒ I am an occasional pedestrian for fun or exercise.
- ☐ I am seldom a pedestrian but want to be more.
- ☒ Other: I am on the street at least 6 hours a day. I teach blind and visually impaired fol

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

lack of sidewalks in certain areas, broken sidewalks, inaccessible sidewalks, dangerous sidewalks, inaccessible sidewalks, dangerous sidewalks, safe bike lane crossings and warnings of said lane, curb cuts, ramps, curbs, driveway markings in the downtown area, the list could go on forever.

11. Can you commit to being in attendance at Regular Meetings and Subcommittee Meetings in order to complete the work of the PAC?

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12. Are there any obstacles to you attending regularly scheduled meetings of the PAC? (Regular meetings occur the first Monday of every month. The PAC reserves the right to change the meeting dates, locations, and to call special meetings.)

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13. Additional comments:

I feel strongly that sidewalks should be created in a fair manner for all and not just for the sighted world.

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Name: Nancy Crowther

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zip: 78745-3534

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Community Advocate

Employer: none, retired

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2. The group will consider geographic diversity for representation. What area(s) of town are you particularly knowledgeable of within Austin?

South, Southwest, Central, East, State Capitol, UT and ACC South, Rio Grande, Riverside campus areas, Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail and downtown.

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

University of Texas at Austin, Bachelor of Social Work

Community advocate, Transportation and ADA Compliance Specialist

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☒ No ☐ Yes:

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1984-present: ADAPT of TX; Disability Rights Community Organizer

1989-2011 Capital Metro Accessible Transportation Specialist

1996-2006: Austin Mayors Committee for Persons with Disabilities

1999-present: COA ADA Sidewalk Taskforce

*All advocacy and implementation of accessibility in services for COA and CMTA

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

Pedestrian with a disability who relies on access to the community, public transportation and community pedestrian living and involvement in social/cultural and engagement and contribution into every aspect of economic activities.

And lived to talk about it.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

Dire need for representation by the disability rights community advocates for assurance that access and safety are included in all, all activities and recommendations set forth by this group. Providing insight and oversight.

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- ☐ I am seldom a pedestrian but want to be more.
- ☒ Other: Wheelchair User for mobility

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

Past, present and future access and safety for pedestrians.

11. Can you commit to being in attendance at Regular Meetings and Subcommittee Meetings in order to complete the work of the PAC?

☐ No ☒ Yes

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If "yes", please explain:

Potential acts of nature may prevent my physical attendance but use of alternative technological means have proved successful for accommodating presence at meetings remotely.

13. Additional comments:

Good to be a part of a community groups who all have the same goal in mind.

My participation seems to bring access needs to the forefront as a serious consideration.

Access is a civil right and a right I hold strong.

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Name: Valerie M. Fruge

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zip: 78721

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Juvenile Case Manager

Employer: Travis County JP,1

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East Austin

Central/Downtown Austin

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

University of Houston, B.A.

University of Houston, Bates College of Law

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☒ No ☐ Yes:

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☐ Male ☒ Female Racial/Ethnic Background: African American

6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

Alliance for African American Health in Central Texas, 2012-present

Pecan Springs Neighborhood Association, 2012-present

Walk Texas, September-November 2014

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

While living on the East Coast, I was co-owner of a commuter/transportation company (2 Train Commuters). Our vision was to educate commuters and pedestrians on how to navigate the streets safely and to coexist with other forms of transportation, such as mass transit and light rail. I am vastly familiar with the realities of pedestrian needs in fastly growing urban environment such as Austin. I have attended all meetings of the PAC since it's inception.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I would like to continue to provide my input on all matters that effect pedestrians and commuters in Austin at large but particularly my East Austin community (native East Austonians) which have historically not been involved in these discussions. Additionally, I would like to encourage more of my neighbors to become involved in the discussion that directly impacts us as much as it does our new neighbors.

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- ☐ I am seldom a pedestrian but want to be more.
- ☐ Other:

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

- * Continued pedestrian safety in terms of coexisting with bicyclists, motorists, mass transportation and light rail.
- * The continued discussion and implementation of complete streets.
- * The completion of new walkability studies in all areas of Austin.

11. Can you commit to being in attendance at Regular Meetings and Subcommittee Meetings in order to complete the work of the PAC?

- ☐ No ☒ Yes

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- ☒ No ☐ Yes

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Name: GIRARD KINNEY

Address: [REDACTED]

City: AUSTIN

State: TX

Zip: 78722

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation:

ARCHITECT

Employer:

KINNEY & ASSOCIATES

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E. CENTRAL & DOWNTOWN

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

- TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL (AUSTIN)
- U. OF TEX SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE - B. ARCH
- UNIV. OF GUADALAJARA, MEX. - DIPLOMA IN GRAPHICS

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☒ No ☐ Yes:

(WELL, YES, THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CNA IS ELECTED)

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☒ Male ☐ Female

Racial/Ethnic Background: white guy from South Austin

6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

- ECD-AUTHOR, GREAT STREETS MASTER PLAN, AUSTIN
- ARCHITECT - FLUGEL PED. BRIDGE
- CHAIR CHEROKEE LAND-USE & TRANSP. COMM.

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

- URBAN DESIGN
- SKETCHING
- TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
- PARK DESIGN

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

- IT IS IMPORTANT THAT DESIGN FOR PEDS BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF ANY LAND USE / TRANSPORTATION PROJECT.
- THE PAC CAN BE AN IMPORTANT VOICE @ P.C. REGARDING ZONING CASES.

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- ☐ Other:

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

- LOS SIDEWALK & CORRIDOR INITIATIVES
- THE NEED FOR A "SHARED STREET" TYPE IN AUSTIN FOR INNER-CITY NEIGHBORHOODS
- A BETTER PARKING STRATEGY (EVERYWHERE)

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- ☐ No ☒ Yes

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Name: Zakcq Lockrem

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zip: 78751

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Urban Planner

Employer: Asakura Robinson

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I live in North Loop and work in West Campus. I am particularly knowledgeable regarding central and east Austin.

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

Boston University, Bachelor of Science in Urban Affairs

Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Master of Urban Planning

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6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

I am an urban planner with close to a decade of experience in pedestrian, transit and bicycle planning experience, including volunteer board positions with LivableStreets Alliance (Boston - 2006-2010) and the Citizens' Transportation Coalition (Houston 2010-2012). I am currently a principal for Asakura Robinson, an urban planning, design and landscape architecture firm.

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

As a planner and urban designer I have strong presentation and representational skills and a deep knowledge of best practices from around the united states and internationally.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I have lived over 13 years without a car in a number of cities around the world. As such I am deeply, personally aware of the challenges pedestrians (as well as cyclists and transit users, who are also pedestrians at some point in their trips) face, especially in Texas. I am also a father of a small child and recognize the unique challenges that families have in negotiating safety, ease, climate and convenience in making transportation decisions. I would like to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council in order to help shape Austin as a place where walking is an easy choice and that pedestrians are a respected user on the city's streets.

9. In what ways do you identify as a pedestrian (check all that applies):

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- ☐ Other:

10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

Access to transit, equity for underserved and minority communities, ADA compliance, access for families.

11. Can you commit to being in attendance at Regular Meetings and Subcommittee Meetings in order to complete the work of the PAC?

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☒ No ☐ Yes

If "yes", please explain:

13. Additional comments:

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Address: [REDACTED]

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State: Texas

Zip: [REDACTED]

Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

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E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Urban Planner

Employer: Design Workshop, Inc.

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2. The group will consider geographic diversity for representation. What area(s) of town are you particularly knowledgeable of within Austin?

East Austin

- University Hills neighborhood
- Windsor Park neighborhood
- Coronado Hills neighborhood
- Mueller neighborhood
- Cherrywood neighborhood
- Airport Boulevard corridor

Retail/Commercial Destinations

- Burnett Road corridor
- Highland Mall area
- The Domain

Central Core

- University of Texas at Austin
- Central Business District
- South Congress, Lamar and First Streets

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

- Master of Science in Community and Regional Planning, University of Texas at Austin, School of Architecture
- Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies (Architecture Minor), University of Texas at Austin, College of Liberal Arts: Department of Geography

4. Do you currently hold elective office? Yes ☐ Vice ☐ Chair, Pedestrian Advisory Council

5. Affirmative Action information: This information is voluntary, and is being collected to consider diversity for Pedestrian Advisory Council membership.

☐ Male ☒ Female Racial/Ethnic Background: Caucasian

6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

American Planning Association (National)

- Secretary/Treasurer Elect: Urban Design and Preservation Division, 2013 - present
- Member: Urban Design and Preservation Division, 2012 - present
- Member: Small Town and Rural Planning Division, 2012 - present

American Planning Association (Texas Chapter)

- Member: 2010 - present

City of Austin Pedestrian Advisory Council

- Bylaws Working Group, 2013 - present
- Land Development Code Working Group, 2014 - present

Congress for the New Urbanism

- Member: Central Texas Chapter, 2012 - present

Urban Land Institute, Gerald D. Hines Urban Design Competition

- Mentor: University of Texas at Austin, 2014

Professional Planning Experience Involving Walkability, Accessibility and Social Equity

- City of Austin, Texas
 - Republic Square Park Master Plan and Community Outreach
- City of New Braunfels Texas
 - Low Impact Development Program
 - Stormwater Management Strategy
- City of Wimberley, Texas
 - Central Wimberley Master Plan
 - Blue Hole Regional Park Master Plan
- Texas Tech University Campus Master Plan - Lubbock, Texas
- Houston-Galveston Area Council, Texas
 - Regional Plan for Sustainable Development: Urban Houston Framework
 - Harnessing Huntsville's Potential: Housing/Economic Development Study
 - West Houston Mobility Planning Initiative
 - The Woodlands Township Transit Plan
- Houston Arboretum and Nature Center Master Plan - Houston, Texas
- Midtown Redevelopment Authority, Houston Texas
 - Superblock Park Master Plan - Houston, Texas
 - Bagby Street Reconstruction (highest scoring certified Greenroad™)
- Westwood Development Master Plan and Design Guidelines – League City, Texas
- The Park at the Horse Farm - Lafayette, Louisiana
- Speaking Sessions at Planning/Design Conferences
 - Managing your Client. Managing your Consultant. 2014 American Planning Association Annual Conference: Atlanta, Georgia
 - Facilitating Stakeholder Dialogue. 2013 American Society of Landscape Architects Annual Conference: Austin, Texas

- Online Engagement: What does it take to be successful? 2013 American Planning Association Annual Conference: Galveston, Texas

Selected Awards

- 2014 Center for Active Design Award of Excellence (Recreation): Blue Hole
- 2013 Sustainable Sites Initiative One-Star Certification - Blue Hole Regional Park
- 2013 Landscape Architecture Foundation Sustainable Performance Case Study: Blue Hole
- 2013 APA (Texas) Current Planning Award – Urban Houston Framework
- 2013 APA (Texas) Long Range Planning Award: Harnessing Huntsville's Potential
- 2013 APA (Central Texas) Current Planning Award - Republic Square Park
- 2013 ASLA (Texas) Honor Award for Design (Unrealized Public): Republic Square
- 2012 Texas Municipal League Excellence Award for Public Work: Blue Hole

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I joined Design Workshop in 2012 with a Master of Science in Community and Regional Planning from the University of Texas at Austin and a Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies. Since joining the firm, I have gained experience in a number of projects involving comprehensive planning, community outreach, stakeholder facilitation and urban design as well as transportation and environmental planning.

Prior to joining Design Workshop, I studied Architecture at the University of Texas at Arlington. My master's research was conducted on geodesign and the emergent role of performance-based rating systems, such as the Sustainable Sites Initiative (SITES™), in shaping a new era of technology driven, integrative project management and environmental planning.

Currently, my professional interests include working with public and private sector organizations to counteract the effects of unsustainable development practices. I have assisted with numerous city and regionally-scaled projects that include the publication of comprehensive documents and master plans representing the successful outcomes of urban design and stakeholder facilitation efforts. I also specialize in the creation of innovative, online community engagement platforms for projects and the production of documents, graphics, websites and other supplemental materials for outreach and engagement.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I've never lived in a place where it has been safe or efficient to regularly walk to daily destinations. I've been fortunate enough to travel to many national and international cities in which walkability does exist that provide inspiration for differing approaches to physical design that could be applied to Austin, Texas. Professionally, I've also worked on numerous projects that involve improving multi-modality and identifying funding mechanisms and partnerships for addressing challenges to walkability in the built environment. Most importantly, I work alongside a team of award winning designers and planners that specialize in public projects such as streetscape, hike/bike trails, parks, plazas and mixed-use development. We also work with many private developers specializing in retail,

commercial and residential product types so I can provide insights as to what developers may need in order to help improve public infrastructure and right of way on a particular site. Because of these features of my work, and through serving as Vice Chair for the Pedestrian Advisory Council during 2014, I helped to provide technical expertise and other knowledge needed to inform the Pedestrian Advisory Council's discussions regarding walkability. I look forward to continued involvement in the Pedestrian Advisory Council throughout the future.

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10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

- Landscaping standards for public right of way realm
- Wayfinding and signage improvements
- Design standards that better address ingress/egress issues
- Overcoming challenges/conflicts occurring with other modes
- Serve as stewards for social equity who make sure all geographies within the city are receiving fair share of infrastructure improvements
- Partnering with local efforts to protect/increase safe routes to schools
- Advocate for public spaces being implemented in accordance with third-party rating systems or other national standards such as Greenroad™, the Sustainable Sites Initiative (SITES) or LEED for Neighborhood Development
- Continually explore and analyze the performance of recently constructed streets to ensure that these built environments are meeting the goals expressed by the community during the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan or other regularly policy initiatives

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Preferred Phone: [REDACTED]

Other Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth (must be at least 18): [REDACTED]

Occupation: Legal Assistant

Employer: Frederick, Perales, Allmon & Rock

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2. The group will consider geographic diversity for representation. What area(s) of town are you particularly knowledgeable of within Austin?

Having grown up in both the suburbs and urban core of Austin, I have a lengthy relationship with a variety of pedestrian facilities across Austin. The areas I'm most familiar with are Hyde Park, Downtown, some suburbs north of town, and East Austin, where I've lived the past five years.

3. Education (Schools attended, degrees earned, training received):

I attended the Liberal Arts Academy at Johnston High School before it was merged with the Science Academy at LBJ High School. After graduating from the combined magnet program at LBJ, I attended Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, where I received a BA in European History.

4. Do you currently hold elective office? ☒ No ☐ Yes:

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6. List any major paid employment and volunteer activities, which may relate to service on the Pedestrian Advisory Council: Dates (from/to) Employer/Volunteer Activities Responsibilities

-September 12, 2014 to Present: Volunteer with PAC Vision Zero technical subcommittee, responsible for editing memorandum to City Council for creation of Vision Zero advisory group.

-Summer, 2014: Volunteer with "Austin's Atlas," a walking map of Downtown Austin, assisting in creation of final product.

7. Do you have any special skills or experience that will help you as a member of the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

Aside from an avocational interest in urban design, I've developed skills as a Geographical Information Systems technician while attending night-classes at ACC over the past year-and-a-half. I would hope these skills could be useful in assessing and planning pedestrian facilities across town.

I also have professional experience working with large administrative agencies, experience which I believe would prove useful interacting with various branches of City government.

8. Why do you want to serve on the Pedestrian Advisory Council?

I believe the ability to transport oneself is a basic human right. Citizens should be able to meet their basic needs on their own, without the often prohibitively-expensive use of automobiles. The rhetoric of the urban design and land development industries has recently come around to the social and health benefits of walking, but greater political pressure needs to exist to ensure that these advances in rhetoric are made into reality. Additionally, political pressure needs to ensure that pedestrian facilities are developed equitably, and that existing facilities are not left in the lurch with our attention towards new pedestrian-friendly developments. What has happened downtown for pedestrians has been remarkable; these efforts need to be broadened.

I would be privileged if I could play a role in this movement.

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10. What issues or topics do you think the PAC should address?

I'd like the PAC to have a major stake in the ongoing revisions to the City's Land Dev. Code to ensure gains made in pedestrian facilities in the urban core are translated to the outer parts of the city. I also want the PAC to empower citizens to identify deficiencies in ped. facilities, and for the PAC to hold the City accountable for fixing those facilities. Finally, I'd like to see greater coordination between the City's urban forestry initiatives and program and the development of pedestrian facilities: we need pathways to be shaded.

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☐ No ☒ Yes

If "yes", please explain:

I work for a law firm that sometimes has briefing deadlines that fall on Mondays.

Sometimes, these deadlines may prevent me from attending PAC meetings. However, this is not a regular occurrence, and I'll know many weeks ahead of time if this is the case.

13. Additional comments:

An additional reason I'd like to serve on the PAC is the access I hope this would gain to various City departments. For instance, I would like to develop a walking guide that takes into account the amount of shade various walking-paths would allow. Being on the PAC may allow me to coordinate between the City's Urban Forestry program and the GIS department to both identify walking-paths that are well shaded as well as areas that could be enhanced by additional trees. The environment is admittedly a barrier to many people walking in our city, because of summer temperatures, but I believe the City can do more to rectify this.

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