

Mecklenburg County Advisory Boards, Committees and Commissions Board Appointments Due

Renewals From 8/1/2018 To 8/31/2018

PLANNING COMMISSION

Number of BOCC Members: 7

Term Length in Years: 3

Purpose

The Planning Commission was established to make studies of resources, possibilities and needs of the City, particularly with respect to conditions which may be injurious to the public welfare and make plans for the development of Mecklenburg County, including the City of Charlotte but excluding all other incorporated towns in the County. To consider the desirability, from time to time, of the extension of the limits of Charlotte and when found desirable, to prepare and present to Council a program of extension with statement of the reasons for the same. Appointments are made for three-year terms with no one serving more than two consecutive full terms. The Board appointments will be the following: six (6) by the BOCC, six (6) by the City Council and two (2) by the Board of Education but with approval of the BOCC and City Council respectively.

Qualifications

Must be a resident of Mecklenburg County.

The Planning Commission is a jointly appointed Board, administered by the City of Charlotte. Persons appointed to the Planning Commission must comply with the City of Charlotte's attendance requirement. Members are required to attend 65 percent of all regular, special and assigned subcommittee meetings from the time their term begins until the end of the calendar yr. and each subsequent yr.; and persons cannot miss three consecutive regular meetings. Failure to meet either of these two requirements results in automatic removal from the board. Persons must attend 50% of each meeting in order to be counted present.

Special Notes

NOMINATION/APPOINTMENT NEEDED TO FILL:

One (1) unexpired term expiring June 30, 2021

There are six (6) applicants. The two (2) highlighted applicants were previously interviewed.

Nasif Majeed resigned because of other obligations.

Note: This is one of several boards that require an interview process conducted by an ad hoc committee of the Board, with the exception of persons being reappointed. This is one of the seven advisory boards that receive compensation. The Chairperson and Members receive \$125/month. See attached list of other compensated boards.

Select Four (4) Board members to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee.

1 Appointment(s) For 3 Year Term:

Name	Qualifications	Appointed:	Expires	Eligibility
Majeed, Nasif	(BOCC)	6/2/2015	06/30/2021	Resigned

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PLANNING COMMISSION Applicants:

Name	BOCC Dist	Qualifications	Race/Sex
Betancur, Manuel	4		H / M
Black, Richard	6		W / M
Fallon, Claire	3		W / F
Mcgruder, Unithia	2		B / F
Parson, Brenda	3		B / F
Welton, Douglas	2		B / M

PLANNING COMMISSION Members:

Name (* = Chairman)	BOCC Dist	Qualifications	Race/Sex	Appointed	Expires	Elig Code	Expired Position
Fryday, John	4	(MAYOR)	W / M	8/12/2015	7/30/2021	EL	
Gussman, Phillip	4	(MAYOR)	W / M	8/14/2017	7/30/2020	EL	
Ham, John	1	(BOCC)	B / M	8/3/2016	6/30/2019	EL	
Majeed, Nasif	3	(BOCC)	B / M	6/2/2015	6/30/2021	RS	<==
McClung, Bolyn	6	(BOE)	W / M	7/7/2015	6/30/2021	NE	
McMillan, Elizabeth	4	(CITY)	W / F	7/1/2016	6/30/2019	EL	
Nelson, Dionne	2	(CITY)	B / F	7/1/2016	6/30/2019	EL	
Nwasike, Victoria	6	(CITY)	B / F	7/1/2017	6/30/2020	EL	
Samuel, Keba	2	(BOCC)	B / F	8/2/2017	6/30/2020	EL	
Sellers, Rajahm	5	(BOCC)	BR / M	6/5/2018	6/30/2021	EL	
Spencer, Sam	4	(CITY)	W / M	1/11/2016	6/30/2019	EL	
Sullivan, Michael	4	(BOCC)	W / M	7/2/2013	6/30/2019	NE	
Watkins, A. Cozzie	4	(CITY)	B / F	7/1/2015	6/30/2021	EL	
Wiggins, Nancy	5	(BOCC)	W / F	3/18/2014	6/30/2020	NE	

Planning Commission

Applicants



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Manuel Betancur
- **Home address:** 5816 Wallace Ave
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28212
- **Home Phone:** 980-213-8507
- **Work Phone:** 704-568-2120
- **Email:** manolobetancur@gmail.com
- **Occupation:** Bakery Owner
- **Place of employment:** Las Delicias Bakery
- **Race:** Hispanic
- **Sex:** Male
- **Age:** 41
- **Hours per month available for position:** 5
- **County advisory board currently serving on:**
- **Expiration date:**
- **Education:** Bachelor's in Language from King College also Engineering Degree from Colombian Naval University
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other -- Recommended by current planning commission member, Michael Sullivan
- **If you selected Other, please explain:**
- **Business and civic experience:** Owner Las Delicias Bakery, Manolo's Bakery and Charlotte's Angels, Small Business Administration Charlotte Emerging Leaders Program Active, Participating Member of the Latin American Chamber of Commerce, Former President Hispanic American Democrats of Mecklenburg County, Former President Hispanic American Democrats of North Carolina, 2014 Latin American Chamber of Commerce Small Business Spirit Award Winner, Former Member Charlotte Business Advisory Committee
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Very active and connected with the Charlotte area immigrant community, Seeing the big picture and making connections, Skilled negotiator/mediator and public speaker
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 4
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this**

application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree

- **Signature of applicant:** Manuel "Manolo" Jose Betancur
- **Date:** 04/25/2018



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Richard P. Black
- **Home address:** 2030 Kilmonack Lane
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28270
- **Home Phone:** 704-846-8149
- **Work Phone:** 704-292-2580
- **E-Mail:** rblack7@carolina.rr.com
- **Occupation:** Planning Director
- **Place of employment:** Union County, NC
- **Race:** White
- **Sex:** Male
- **Age:** 71
- **Hours per month available for position:** 24
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** N/A
- **Expiration date:**
- **Education:** Master's Degrees in City and Regional Planning & Management
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Online
- **If you selected Other, please explain:**
- **Business and civic experience:** Planning Director Union County NC (2001- Present), Interim County Manager Union County NC (2007-2008), Strategic Planning Manager Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission (1981 2000), Senior Planner Catawba Regional Council (1978-1981)
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Planning Director Union County NC (2001- Present), Interim County Manager Union County NC (2007-2008), Strategic Planning Manager Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission (1981 2000), Senior Planner Catawba Regional Council (1978-1981)
- **County Commission District:** 6
- **Signature of applicant:** Richard P. Black
- **Date:** 4/9/2018



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Claire Fallon
- **Home address:** 8879 Legacy Lake Lane
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28269
- **Home Phone:** 704-596-8288
- **Work Phone:** 704-996-0723
- **Email:** cgftjf@aol.com
- **Occupation:** Retired
- **Place of employment:** None
- **Race:** White
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 83
- **Hours per month available for position:** Unlimited
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:**
- **Education:** College
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:**
- **Business and civic experience:** City Councilwoman 2011-2017- Planning Commissioner 2008-2011 Founder NorthEast Coalition HOA president 9 years Legacy at Davis Lake
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Government- Planning- zoning travel
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 3
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree**
- **Signature of applicant:** Claire Green Fallon
- **Date:** July 26, 2018



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Unithia Mcgruder
- **Home address:** 1242 Capps Hollow Dr.
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28216
- **Home Phone:** 704-391-8726
- **Work Phone:** 980-498-8367
- **Email:** Rosenita@aol.com
- **Occupation:** Banking
- **Place of employment:** Wells Fargo
- **Race:** Black
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 55
- **Hours per month available for position:** 30
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** None
- **Education:** MBA- Global Management
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:** Government Website
- **Business and civic experience:** Board of Equalization and Review; banking; licensed real estate broker/owner
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Operational Risk; Strategic Planning; Policy and Procedures; Certification in Project Management
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 2
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- **Signature of applicant:** Unithia B. Mcgruder
- **Date:** July 9 2018



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Brenda Parson
- **Home address:** 7813 Hereford Street
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28213
- **Home Phone:** 678-654-8208
- **Work Phone:** 704-548--6626
- **Email:** brenparson@yahoo.com
- **Occupation:** Mortgage Underwriter
- **Place of employment:** Wells Fargo
- **Race:** Black
- **Sex:** Female
- **Age:** 52
- **Hours per month available for position:** 10
- **County advisory board currently serving on:**
- **Expiration date:**
- **Education:** Kings Business College
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other -- google.com
- **If you selected Other, please explain:**
- **Business and civic experience:** Founder of a 501c3 Nonprofit Organization called Volunteer2ServeNGive that serves Charlotte and Monroe NC. Our mission is to bring awareness to homelessness and poverty communities via storytelling and technology. I serve my community by volunteering over 120 hours a year and being a mentor to youth by providing our Back2School Explosion Event which provides backpacks filled with School supplies to kids who are in need. I also have fed over 10000 people who are experiencing homelessness, have provided toiletries and gently worn clothes to over 1000 kids, men and women. I have 7 years of underwriting experience and 30 years of Banking & Finance experience and I have approved several thousands of mortgage loans through the HARP Program that has saved people from facing foreclosure and bankruptcy and saved the company millions of dollars from having to foreclose on homes.
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** Host several Volunteer Service Projects that impacted the Community of Charlotte and Monroe. An Event Planner and great follow through for activities that involve teens, the homeless community, and families.
- **Am I a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?** No
- **County Commission District:** 3
- **I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true and**

correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS 132-1) and may be released upon request. I agree

- **Signature of applicant:** Brenda W. Parson
- **Date:** 3/16/2018



Mecklenburg County Advisory Board Application

- **Name of Advisory Board:** Planning Commission
- **Name:** Douglas Welton
- **Home address:** 5601 Murrayhill Road
- **City:** Charlotte
- **Zip code:** 28210
- **Home Phone:** 980-275-3805
- **Work Phone:** 980-275-3805
- **Email:** douglas_welton@einsteinslegacy.com
- **Occupation:** Computer Science
- **Place of employment:** Einstein's Legacy v2.0, LLC
- **Race:** Black
- **Sex:** Male
- **Age:** 57
- **Hours per month available for position:** 28
- **County advisory board currently serving on:** None
- **Expiration date:** None
- **Education:** Graduate Clemson University with a BS in Computer Science. Also, several years of post-baccalaureate studies
- **How did you learn of this vacancy?** Other
- **If you selected Other, please explain:**
- **Business and civic experience:** I am a longtime community leader for the Madison Park neighborhood, currently in my second stint as president of the Homeowners Association. Over the last 4 years, I have worked proactively with more than a dozen developers bringing condominiums and large apartment complexes to our part of town. I have participated in the Planning Department's Community Planning Academy and Stitch Together CLT projects, as well as many of the recent UDO-related workshops. My career in software development has given me a deep understanding of the key technologies that will be central to creating Mecklenburg County's digital infrastructure in the future.
- **Areas of expertise and interests/skills:** I have several attributes that I believe will be of great value to the commission. I am a strong leader, always focussed on producing the best outcome for all involved. I am a highly-effective communicator using spoken, written and/or non-verbal language. I am an intuitive decision maker. This allows me to make good choices even when large amounts of situational data is unknown. I am great at building, nurturing and maintaining relationships. I have a vivid imagination, coupled with a broad generalist knowledge of "everything", I find it easy to bring a previously-

unseen perspective to any discussion. I am also “productively stupid”- meaning, I am well aware of the things that I don’t know and by knowing this I can easily learn “new tricks” because I don’t get bogged down in unlearning things that no longer serve the current situation. Finally, I bring a boat-load of passion to everything I do!

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- **County Commission District:** 2
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- **Signature of applicant:** Douglas A. Welton
- **Date:** July 9 2018