



Application for Appointment to a Board or Commission

First Name * Michael

Last Name * Meehan

Today's Date * 9/30/2019

Address *

Phone Number *

Email *

Board/Commission/Task Force you wish to apply for:

Please check "other" and fill in the name of the group you wish to apply for if not listed.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Redevelopment Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Northfield Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northfield Area Fire & Rescue Services Joint Powers Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Park & Recreation Advisory Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission/Zoning Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="text"/> |

Summarize why you are interested in serving:

As a resident of Northfield, I feel strongly that we have a special community. Our neighborhoods, schools, people, businesses, and buildings are part of a vibrant network that feels special to me. I'm proud to live here. As an architect, I see the contributions that our built environment makes to the culture of Northfield. I think it is important to both preserve and add to the historic character of Northfield. Serving on the HPC will allow me to contribute to the preservation and development of Northfield's renowned and recognizable brand.

Summarize your personal background and attributes you feel are relevant to consideration of your appointment such as community involvement, experience serving on governing boards, training, education, work history, or other personal values, experience or perspectives:

I am an architect, and have been working with BWBR in St. Paul for the past 25 years. My experience includes many roles, most currently project management, staff development, recruiting, and workload monitoring. I am familiar with design, construction, codes, and the forces that shape large, complex buildings. While I do not have professional experience with historic preservation, I am passionate about the topic and eager to learn and help as I am able.

As a volunteer, I have been active in the American Institute of Architects Minnesota chapter, serving as the St. Paul Chapter President, and Treasurer of the state organization. My experience also includes national-level committee work focused on the needs of recent graduates on the path to licensure. Locally, I am serving on the board of the Northfield Fine Arts Boosters.

I work well in team environments, seek information to make data-based decisions, and can balance competing priorities when analyzing solutions. Skills learned i

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Additional information regarding each group can be found on the City's website: [Boards/Commission page](#) or on each group's respective web pages linked below.

[Arts and Culture Commission](#)

The Arts and Culture Commission advises City Council on the development of arts and cultural activities, organizations, and facilities in Northfield.

[Charter Commission](#)

The Charter Commission is responsible for reviewing and revising the City Charter to ensure that it meets all State & Federal laws and meets the needs of the citizens of Northfield. The City Charter is the constitution of Northfield's city government.

[Economic Development Authority](#)

The Economic Development Authority (EDA) seeks to improve the economic condition of Northfield. Focusing on appropriate commercial and industrial development, the EDA works to establish a higher tax base and additional job opportunities for the citizens of Northfield.

[Environmental Quality Commission](#)

The Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) advises on matters concerning environmental quality and natural resources, including the implementation of the environmental policy enacted by ordinance.

[Heritage Preservation Commission](#)

The Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) seeks to safeguard the heritage of Northfield by preserving sites and structure, which reflect elements of the city's cultural, social, economic, political, visual, or architectural history.

[Hospital Board](#)

The Hospital Board oversees the administration, operation and maintenance of all hospitals, convalescent homes, nursing homes or other medical facilities, now or hereafter owned and operated by the City of Northfield. The board may make such rules, regulations and by-laws concerning the same entities as it may deem for the best interests of such facilities.

[Housing & Redevelopment Authority](#)

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority's (HRA) mission is to provide a sufficient supply of adequate, safe, and sanitary dwellings in Northfield.

[Human Rights Commission](#)

The Human Rights Commission (HRC) seeks to secure for all citizens equal opportunity in employment, housing, public accommodations, public services, and education. The commission works to ensure full citizen participation in this community by assisting the State Department of Human Rights in implementing the Minnesota Human Rights Act and by advising the City Council on long range programs to improve community relations in the City of Northfield.

[Library Board](#)

The Library Board makes recommendations regarding the library administration, policies, annual budget, operations, and maintenance of all library facilities.

[Northfield Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention](#)

Northfield Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention seeks to raise community awareness about local youth substance use and to make recommendations for community interventions to reduce youth use.

[Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Services-JPB](#)

The Northfield City Council approved a Joint Powers Agreement for fire protection and rescue services at their April 1, 2014 City Council meeting. The agreement establishes a joint fire department that will be called the Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Service (NAFRS). The services will be governed by an eight member Joint Powers Board. Five board members will be appointed by the Northfield City Council. Additional information can be found on the [NAFRS website](#).

[Park & Recreation Advisory Board](#)

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) directly advises staff and officials regarding the public parks system and all public recreational facilities in the City of Northfield. PRAB assists with long-range planning for land acquisition for parks, natural areas and trails, as well as detailed plans for park development and use and recreational facilities.

[Planning Commission and Zoning Boards of Appeals](#)

The Planning Commission prepares and maintains the city's Comprehensive Plan, conducts public hearings and makes recommendations to the City Council on proposed changes affecting zoning and land use.

Questions

Contact Deb Little, City Clerk, City of Northfield, 801 Washington St., Northfield, MN 55057
Email: deb.little@ci.northfield.mn.us

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