



Governmental Operations Standing Committee

Boards & Commissions Vacancy Report

Wednesday, September 23, 2021

Board Name	Criteria for Appointment	Applicant Name	Background Information
Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission 11 members (7 voting, 4 non-voting) (page 4)	Reside in a Council district located north of the James River (2 voting members)	Scott Castro 1 st District (page 5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Arts in Political Science • Master of Public Policy • Former Policy and Budget Analyst for Department of Behavioral Health
		James Edge 1 st District (page 8)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certified Public Accountant • Founder of the Scott's Addition Business Association • Richmond Kiwanis member
		April Johnson 1 st District (page 10)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 20 years of experience in facilitating participatory decision-making
		Hortense Mitchell Liberti 1 st District (page 12)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former Mary Munford and Albert H. Hill PTA President • Bachelor's in English • Master of English
		James Pickren 1 st District (page 14)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RPS Superintendent Parent Advisory Committee member • Mary Munford PTA treasurer • Bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering
		Jerome Legions 2 nd District (page 16)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience in helping organizations develop budgets • Former Carver Area Civic Improvement League president • Former RVA Coalition of Civic Association co-chair
		Chris Straus 2 nd District (page 18)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's in Finance • Master of Business Administration • Monitored budgets and produced quarterly variance reports for state agencies
		Benjamin Barber 3 rd District (page 21)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Policy degree • Studied state and local budgeting • Identified eligible city residents to enroll in the Real Estate Tax Relief Program
		Gabriel Richardson 5 th District (page 23)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with at-risk youths for 10 years • Experience in community outreach • Has knowledge of urban planning

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Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission 11 members (7 voting, 4 non-voting) (continued)	City Residents (4 non-voting alternate members)		
	Person with a disability (1 voting member)	<i>No applications</i>	

Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission

*Vacancies as of
November 7, 2021*

The Commission shall be composed of **seven members** and **four non-voting alternate members** appointed by the Council. All appointments shall be otherwise governed by sections 2-755 and 2-756 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015), as amended

- (1) 2 - voting members shall reside in a Council district located north of the James River;
- (2) 3 - voting members shall reside in a Council district located south of the James River;
- (3) 1 - voting member shall be a person with a disability;
- (4) 1 - voting member shall be a resident of public housing;
- (5) 4 - non-voting alternate members shall be residents of the city of Richmond and may be appointed from any Council district.

Membership of the Commission should possess experience and expertise concerning various aspects of community investment and development, public finance, urban planning, community health and wellbeing, community organization, and community outreach that may be relevant to the consideration of formulating standards and procedures for participatory budgeting

The voting members and non-voting alternate members shall serve for terms of two years and may serve up to two consecutive terms.

(Assigned to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee)

Member	Patron	Expiration Date	Eligible for Reappoint.	Interested in Reappoint.	Qualification
Vacant	All members of Council				Reside in a Council district located north of the James River
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Vacant	All members of Council				Reside in a Council district located south of the James River
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Vacant	All members of Council				Reside in a Council district located south of the James River
Vacant	All members of Council				Person with a disability
Vacant	All members of Council				Resident of public housing
Vacant	All members of Council				Alternate member (Non-voting)
Vacant	All members of Council				Alternate member (Non-voting)
Vacant	All members of Council				Alternate member (Non-voting)
Vacant	All members of Council				Alternate member (Non-voting)

Contact:
Chief Administrative Officer or designee



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Richmond, VA 23219

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
APRIL 30, 2021

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(804) 646-7736

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SUBMIT TO: cityclerksoffice@richmondgov.com

ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? Yes COUNCIL DISTRICT: 1st NUMBER OF YEARS?

TITLE: Mr. FIRST NAME: Scott LAST NAME: Castro

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 4909 Wythe Avenue

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: 23226

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (443) 668-9566 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: scott.castro@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Medical Society of Virginia

JOB TITLE: Director of Health Policy YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 2924 Emerywood Parkway #300

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: 23294

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (804) 377-1032 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: scaastro@msv.org

DO YOU OR YOUR EMPLOYER HAVE A CONTRACT, OTHER THAN A CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT, EITHER WITH THE CITY OF RICHMOND OR WITH THE ENTITY TO WHICH YOU ARE SEEKING APPOINTMENT? IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE NATURE OF THE CONTRACT.

YES NO

None

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING? BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EXPOSURE TO PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING AND WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE STEERING COMMISSION.

I learned about participatory budgeting when my councilman introduced the resolution that would eventually create this body. I did policy research on implementation and results of participatory budgeting in other cities and am interested in serving on the steering commission to hear what members of the community, empowered to actively participate, have to say about their tax dollars are spent in the City of Richmond.

I'd be happy to submit a resume; however, the "Attach File" function does not appear to be working on any of my Internet browsers.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?

I am applying on my own accord after following this resolution through the legislative process.



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COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING



COMMUNITY ORGANIZING



PUBLIC FINANCE



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



URBAN PLANNING

PLEASE BRIEFLY ELABORATE ON THIS EXPERIENCE. YOU MAY ALSO INCLUDE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND/OR OTHER RELATED EXPERTISE OR QUALIFICATIONS.

I received my BA in Political Science from the University of Richmond in 2009.

I received my Masters of Public Policy as well as a certificate in Advanced Policy Analysis from the American University School of Public Affairs in 2014.

In my professional capacity as a Policy and Budget Analyst at the DEpartment for Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, I spent almost four years carefully analyzing the budget and policy needs of a more than \$1 billion dollar public hospital system serving Virginia citizens with mental and behavioral health disorders, development disabilities, and substance abuse issue all across the Commonwelath.

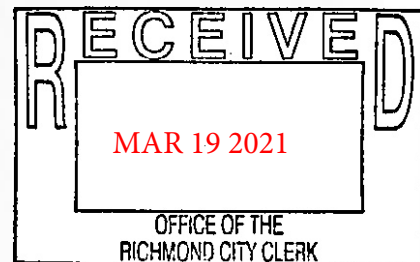
As a policy analyst at the United Network for Organ Sharing, I fostered the development of health policy that would more efficiently and more equitably distribute very scarce resources (living and deceased donor organs) to tranplant candidates across the enitre country.

I currently serve as the Director of Health Policy at the Medical Society of Virginia, a professional organization representing over 10,000 physicians, physician assistants, residents, and medical student across the Commonwelath. We organize our members to advocate for regulatory and legsitlative policy solutions to make Virginia the best place to give and receive health care.

Outside of my professional work, I have served in leadership positions in several community organizations. I was the founding president of the Junior Board at Virginia Supportive Housing, which manages and advocates for permanent supportive housing solutions for formerly homeless individuals in Richmond and throughout Virginia. I also served as the First District Chair of the Richmond City Democratic Committee for several years, organizing community members to register voters, volunteer at polling locations, and volunteer in beautification projects across the city.

LIST OTHER CITY OF RICHMOND AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR TASK FORCES YOU CURRENTLY OR HAVE PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON AND INCLUDE DATES SERVED AND OFFICES HELD.

None



OPTIONAL: ATTACH RESUME AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

ATTACH FILE

SIGNATURE:

[Handwritten Signature]

DATE: 03/15/2020

(By signing, forwarding or otherwise transmitting this form, you certify that all information submitted for consideration is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.)

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SUBMIT

SCOTT N. CASTRO

Emerging leader and public policy professional looking to leverage 9+ years of policy analysis and legislative experience towards bettering my community in Richmond, Virginia

4909 Wythe Avenue

Richmond, VA 23226

(443)-668-956

scott.castro@gmail.com

EXPERIENCE

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA, RICHMOND, VA 9/20 - PRESENT

Director of Health Policy. Lead the organization's policy and regulatory strategy for advancing the interests of over 10,000 physicians, physician assistants, residents, and medical students and advancing public health in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

UNITED NETWORK FOR ORGAN SHARING (UNOS), RICHMOND, VA 6/18 – 9/20

Policy Analyst: Manage the policy development process for national committees of medical and surgical professionals to create equitable organ allocation policies that benefit patients waiting for organ transplant across the country. Perform policy analysis, board outreach, and constituent education in order to pass policy proposed by the Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN) Kidney Transplantation Committee. Effectively disseminate complex clinical policies for public consumption.

DAWN ADAMS FOR DELEGATE, RICHMOND, VA 3/17 – 2/18

Policy Director: Assisted in the development of a policy platform, facilitated debate and forum preparation, and composed strategic communications to help a first time candidate defeat a five-term incumbent. Managed policy analysis and synthesis for the Delegate in her first term for all contested bills considered in her committees and considered for second and third floor readings.

DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, RICHMOND, VA 11/14 – 6/18

Policy and Budget Analyst: Composed accurate, concise fiscal impact statements on proposed legislative initiatives for executive staff and VA General Assembly committee members. Managed fiscal analysis for departmental policy proposals and completed Legislative Action Summaries. Assisted in the coordination and execution of departmental direct lobbying efforts for legislative and budget initiatives.

AMERICAN INSTITUTES FOR RESEARCH, WASHINGTON D.C 7/10 – 10/14

Education Policy Research Assistant / Project Coordinator: Performed quantitative policy analysis of Race to the Top turnaround efforts under contract from the U.S Department of Education. Coordinated directly with state education officials as clients to negotiate schedule and deliverable outcomes. Managed successful RFP efforts resulting in multi-million dollar contracts with state governments.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA Certificate Received 12/19

- Completed the Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership's Political Leaders Program

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON D.C Degree Received 5/14

- 3.85 GPA Masters of Public Policy and Certificate of Policy Analysis
- Completed Public Affairs and Advocacy Institute and Campaign Management Institute

UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND, RICHMOND, VA Degree Received 5/09

- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Law in the Liberal Arts Minor

VALUABLE SKILLS

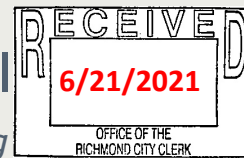
- Exceptional written and oral communication skills
 - Composed presentations for VA Senate Finance Committee and House Appropriations committees and subcommittees as well as Governor's staff meetings
- Effective advocacy skills honed in both academic as well as professional experience
- Experience composing policy memoranda, fiscal impact statements, and legislative briefs for lawmakers, executive leadership, and stakeholders
 - Composed all DBHDS fiscal impact statements for 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 General Assembly sessions
- Sharpened knowledge translation abilities. Able to effectively synthesize complex policy minutia for all levels of understanding from Executive Leadership to the public at-large.
- Strong relationships with local elected officials, including all Richmond-area delegation in both the House of Delegates and the Virginia Senate, as well as others across the Commonwealth.



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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT?

COUNCIL DISTRICT:

1

NUMBER OF YEARS?

60

TITLE: Mr. FIRST NAME: James LAST NAME: Edge

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 6213 Tapoan Place

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond 23226

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (804) 283-1588 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: edgejim@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Cornerstone Valuation LLC

JOB TITLE: Founding Partner YEARS IN POSITION: 7

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 14507 Lander Lane

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Midlothian 23113

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (804) 320-3499 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: jedge@cornerstone-valuation.com

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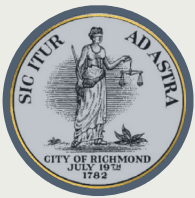
YES NO

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING? BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EXPOSURE TO PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING AND WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE STEERING COMMISSION.

I am a CPA and am semi-retired. My career has involved helping clients make business decisions and showing them the best outcomes from their choices. I would like to help the residents/taxpayers to be able to prioritize the many opportunities that the City faces.


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I read about this commission from the First District newsletter



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I transformed an old, economically-outdated warehouse into the first large apartment project in Scott's Addition (Scott's Edge). I also founded and was the first president of the SABA, the Scott's Addition Business Association - now the Scott's Addition Boulevard Association. I also served a president of the Richmond First Club, an organization devoted to the cause of good government. Currently I serve as Treasurer of One Virginia 2021, an organization that successfully supported redistricting reform.

I graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1963; from Hampden-Sydney College in 1967 with a B.S.; from Rutgers University in 1968 with an M.B.A. I worked for KPMG in New York and Richmond; for a predecessor of Suntrust Bank in Richmond; served as Treasurer/CFO of two local companies; and started Cornerstone Valuation's predecessor in 1990.

My children attended Richmond Public Schools; I served as the PTA president for two years at Mary Munford. I helped with establishing the Governor's School; my son was in the first graduating class.

I am a member of the Richmond Kiwanis service organization and attend church in Richmond at First Presbyterian.

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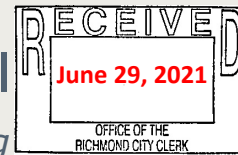
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT?

COUNCIL DISTRICT:

11st

NUMBER OF YEARS?

3

TITLE: Ms. FIRST NAME: April LAST NAME: Johnson

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 4616 Cutshaw Ave

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond 23230

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 8043076943 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: april@fourtacos.org

EMPLOYER: ThoughtWorks

JOB TITLE: Global Head of Change YEARS IN POSITION: 11

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 200 E Randolph St / 25th floor

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Chicago, IL 60601

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: aprilj@thoughtworks.com

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YES NO

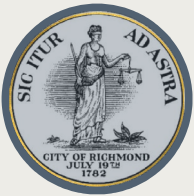
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I first heard about participatory budgeting through friends in the UK who serve on town and village councils. It seems both challenging and directly, satisfyingly democratic - so I was really interested to see a PB initiative on the Richmond council agenda this year.

My work experience has primarily focused on participatory decision-making, coaching and designing change in a corporate setting (and in consulting for the last decade). While it's a very different point of view, I think the tools and experience I bring can be helpful.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


My council member and the Storefront for Community Design



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<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY OUTREACH	<input type="checkbox"/> URBAN PLANNING

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I hesitate to call my support of mutual aid groups and protest organizers "community organizing" - almost everything I do has been either funding or attending and promoting others' events.

Relevant education in my 20+ years of work includes:

- Coaching agile teams
- Facilitating participatory decision-making
- Communication & listening - teaching and practicing
- Process design

If selected as part of the Steering Commission, I'd approach it first by listening and understanding what results everyone most wants to see, and then connecting my tools and knowledge to the depth of experience others bring.

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None - this is the first time I've ever applied for a city task force, committee or board.

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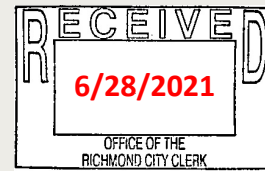
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TITLE: . FIRST NAME: Hortense LAST NAME: Mitchell Liberti

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 3202 Grove Avenue

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: 23221

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 8049434961 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: hmliberti@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Retired

JOB TITLE: former teacher YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS:

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE:

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: BUSINESS FAX:

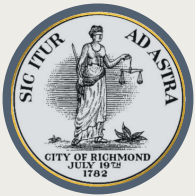
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YES NO

I read about it in the Museum District newsletter. I know about such procedures as a result of serving as PTA President for both Mary Munford and Albert H. Hill PTAs, as well as serving on the Museum District Association. I also have served in various leadership capacities in Alpha Delta Kappa (an honorary educators' association devoted to altruism and the support of young educators), Friendship Force International (a international organization dedicated to cultural interactions, and the American Association of University Women (a non-partisan group devoted to women's issues). In all of these I have been involved in the discussion of the appropriate and worthwhile use of funds to accomplish goals.

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I have been a teacher since the 60's. I have my bachelor's degree in English from Longwood and my master's degree in English from University of Richmond. I started my career at Kennedy High School, where I taught for 18 years; I took a 13 year leave-of-absence to take care of family, teaching part-time at J. Sergeant Reynolds and VCU, including semesters at the state penitentiary and the Goochland Women's Correction Institution.

While I was on this leave I served as the president of the Mary Munford PTA and helped lead the Munford parents to Albert Hill Middle, where we have been busy revitalizing Hill since 1998. In '99 I came back to work full-time at Hill, where I also served as PTA president. I left full-time work again in 2008, again to take care of family, but volunteered and subbed there until come back once again in 2017 to work three more years until retiring in 2020. I am retired again, but we'll see! I plan to volunteer at Hill, TJ, Armstrong, and Munford, but I am open to new experiences.

During my years at Kennedy and Hill I was asked a couple of time by superintendents to serve on task forces to examine such issues as year-round school and other ways to improve our school system by making it more inclusive. I really enjoyed these experiences to work with a variety of local leaders and sharing our perspectives.

Just a random remark: I am more than a little proud of my son, who is in his sixth year of teaching a George Wythe.

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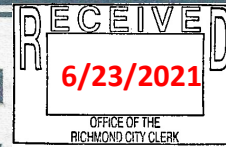
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? *yes* COUNCIL DISTRICT: *1* NUMBER OF YEARS? *6*

TITLE: *MR.* FIRST NAME: *James* LAST NAME: *Pickren*

HOME STREET ADDRESS: *348 Albemarle Ave*

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: *Richmond 23226*

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: *949 632 1993* HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: *JAMES.PICKREN@yahoo.com*

EMPLOYER: *Retired*

JOB TITLE: YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS:

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE:

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS:

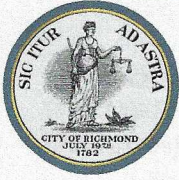
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 YES NO

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I learned about it from an RVA newsletter. I am experienced with both for profit and nonprofit budgeting and reporting functions. I am interested in getting more involved in Richmond City Governance, particularly the Affordable housing Crisis we have in our City. I'm deeply involved w/ RPS serving on the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Committee as well as the district wide Reporting Committee

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Good morning RVA e-newsletter



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I Am a Retired Corp executive familiar with all manner of budgeting and forecasting. I am currently the Treasurer of the Mary Munford PTA Board member of the Moore Street School Foundation serving as treasurer member of the RPS Reopening Committee and the parent Advisory Committee. I am also the President of the Sewall Court Home Owners Association and a member of the Coalition of Civic Association Presidents.

I have a BS in mechanical Engineering and from Clemson Univ and an MBA from Duke University

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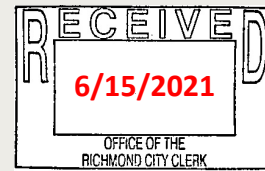
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? Yes COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2 NUMBER OF YEARS? .

TITLE: . FIRST NAME: Jerome LAST NAME: Legions

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 1308 W. Clay St

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: 23220

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (804) 439-1309 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: jeromelegions1@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Retired

JOB TITLE: YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS:

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE:

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS:

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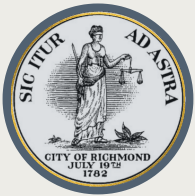
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Received a call from Councilman Andreas Addison and Daniel Wagner to discuss the formation of this commission. My exposure to participatory budgeting comes from being involved in several organization and helping to develop budgets.

My interest in serving on the steering commission is based on being on a civic association president and having to constantly told that the request for the delivery of basic services were not budgeted for. I am sure that this is the same statement that other civic associations received.

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Councilman Addison



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Community Health and Wellbeing and Urban Planning

- 1) The Carver Tree Project
- 2) Bring Back Downtown Committee

Community Investment, Development Community Organizing and Urban Planning

- 1) 5 yrs president of Carver Area Civic Improvement league

Community Outreach

- 1) 3 yrs co-chair of RVA Coalition of Civic Association
- 2) Treasure of Richmond Crusade for Voters
- 3) President of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Upsilon Nu Grad Chapter
- 4) Sec of Embrace Carver Elementary Foundation
- 5) President of Moore Street School Foundation

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EMPLOYER:

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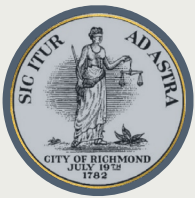
I'm honestly not sure though, VCU is huge so I wouldn't be surprised if we had contracts for policing, Monroe Park, etc. but I'm not sure. I'm not involved in any of that however if so.

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I learned about it through a post from Virginia Public Media. I'm familiar with participatory budgeting to the extent that it is a way for members of the public to be involved in the budgets of our governments. I'm interested in serving on this commission because I have lived in Richmond my whole life, outside the city briefly after college, but I have always been in the area. I love Richmond as a city, and I believe there is so much potential for the city to be a great place for everyone that lives here. I believe there are a lot of areas that the city struggles with in terms of equality and equity to what gets funded, and the city has also struggled from a perception issue due to many projects that did not go well from the public's perception. I would love to be able to be involved in the process to help the city achieve some of it's goals and help my fellow community members in the process.

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Facebook/Virginia Public Media post



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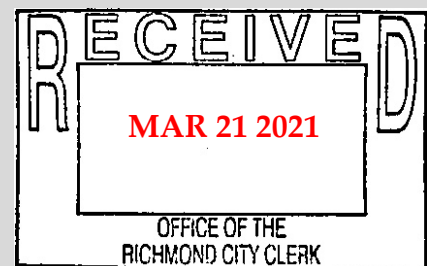
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I have an undergraduate degree in Finance from VCU as well as an MBA from VCU. Since graduating from college I have been working at VCU in their Office of Budget and Resource Analysis. In that role I have gained a lot of expertise in the allocation and management of resources in the public setting. I work with both senior level staff and staff at the State Government which has allowed me to see the inner workings and decision processes that go into funding certain items. In my role I do a lot of work with budget versus actuals analysis, as well as an important role in the overall development of our budget which is over \$1B. I am an expert with Excel and other programs and applications used in budgeting. I believe my expertise with budgets and working with numbers would make me a great addition on this commission. As a lifelong resident of Richmond, I truly want the best for this city and hope this will be a way for me to put my skills to use for the city.

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Chris Straus

CONTACT ME AT



1007 W Franklin St
Apt 3
Richmond, VA 23220



+1 (804) 432 - 3883



strauscj@gmail.com

Skills Highlights

Budgeting
Financial Analysis
Cost Analysis
Forecasting
Writing
Collaboration

Software Experience

Advanced

- Excel
- PowerPoint
- Microsoft/Google Suite
- Oracle's PBCS

Intermediate

- Tableau
- SAS

Beginner

- Stata
- R
- TerminalFour

Work Experience

Senior Financial Analyst

Virginia Commonwealth University | August 2020 — Present

- Coordinate, develop, and assist with University operating budget process; serve as primary for uploading and testing University financial system documents
- Monitor state budget and policy decisions for potential University impact; create reports and work with state agencies to coordinate leadership decisions
- Produce University long-term financial plans and forecasts, maintain University financial systems, and develop business plans

Budget Analyst

Virginia Commonwealth University | January 2017 — August 2020

- Provide expertise in all areas concerning development, implementation, and execution of the University's Operating Budget
- Monitor budgets, produce Quarterly variance reports, and help prepare reports and presentations for state agencies, Board of Visitors, University departments, and senior leadership

President and Manager

Doctor's Row HoA | March 2020 — Present

- Manage billing, vendor payment, communications, and operations of HoA
- Handle disputes, create budgets, and handle overall finances and planning

Vice President

VCU Student Government Association | Fall 2013 — Spring 2014

- Presided over Senate meetings, enforced Robert's Rules of Order and general decorum
- Worked with the President and cabinet to accomplish organizational goals

Education History

Master of Business Administration

Virginia Commonwealth University | May 2017 — May 2020

- Extensive coursework in management techniques, project management, organizational management
- Additional coursework in economics, econometrics, finance, short-term capital management, IT systems and practices, and marketing

B.A. Finance

Minor in Mathematics

Virginia Commonwealth University | August 2010 — May 2016

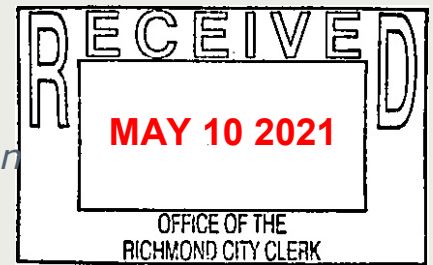
- Extensive coursework in forecasting, stocks, bonds, investment analysis, GAAP accounting, pro forma statements, math, and statistics



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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3 NUMBER OF YEARS? 10

TITLE: Mr. FIRST NAME: Benjamin LAST NAME: Barber

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 1411 Claremont Avenue

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, Virginia, 23227

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 845-558-1860 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: benpaulbarberbpb@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: VCU Health System

JOB TITLE: Senior Health Policy Analyst YEARS IN POSITION: 4

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 830 East Main Street

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, Virginia, 23219

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: N/a BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: benjamin.barber@vcuhealth.org

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YES NO

I do not have a contract with the City of Richmond. I am not aware of any contracts between VCU Health System and the City of Richmond.

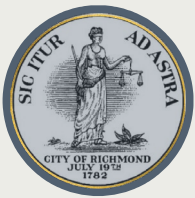
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Budgets are a statement of values. They are an expression of what – and who – a city prioritizes. Schools, parks, public safety are all valuable, but budgets force policymakers to choose.

I would like to serve on the Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission because I want all Richmonders to have an opportunity to make these decisions. While Richmond's budget process is open to the public, it requires significant time and effort to track – much less – influence the decisions that are made. Participatory budgeting gives residents a direct line to the decision-making process. That is laudable, and I want to help make it happen.

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I have been aware of the Commission since City Council adopted Ord. 2020-256 earlier this year.



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I have significant public budgeting expertise. I earned my graduate degree in Public Policy at the University of Virginia and studied state and local budgeting as part of my coursework. I also have extensive professional analyzing Virginia's budget, which has provided me a strong understanding of how local budgets are shaped by federal and state policy decisions. For instance, I am very familiar with the budget process beginning with agency requests through final adoption. I am also very familiar with different types of public budgeting, such as performance-based budgeting.

I have also spent significant time analyzing Richmond's current and previous budgets, ordinances, and statutes to identify opportunities to help its residents. Two years ago, I used federal census and City data to conclude that up to 75% of residents eligible for the City's Real Estate Tax Relief program were not enrolled. I shared these findings with the public in an interview with VPM and met with City staff to discuss recommendations to boost enrollment. I followed up six months later with second analysis to determine the number of residents who became newly eligible due to an expansion of the program.

I have also worked – admittedly in fits and starts – on a bigger project to create a Richmond “budget-tracker” that would allow the public to easily compare current budget amounts across budget years. I reviewed the past five Richmond budgets to outline how best to make these comparisons, and I hope to finish the project and make it available. Regardless, the experience has taught me about the different ways the City measures

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TITLE: Ms. FIRST NAME: Gabriel LAST NAME: Richardson

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 1503 West Cary Street

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, VA 23220

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (804) 939-8067 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: gabriel613@yahoo.com

EMPLOYER: Extended Stay America YEARS IN POSITION: 5+ yrs.

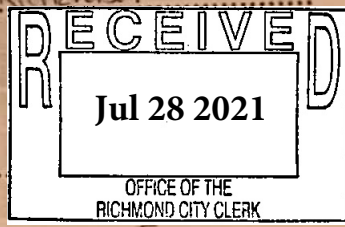
JOB TITLE: Lead Housekeeper

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 6811 Paragon Pl

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Henrico

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (804) BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS:



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YES NO

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Community Asking questions, networkip with other persons of community Sharon Shuler

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH



URBAN PLANNING

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Educated at NSK youth in the inner cities for over 16 yrs

Outreach

Health board meetings

Facilitated events

Set on Womens panels

Work shops

Passing out pamphlets

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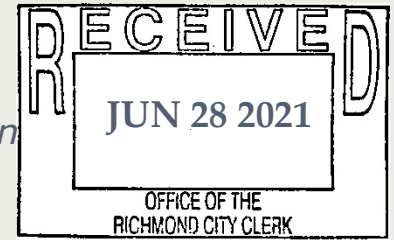
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5

NUMBER OF YEARS?

1

TITLE: Ms. FIRST NAME: Erica LAST NAME: Sklar

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 1515 Floyd Ave, Apt. 2

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, 23220

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 8602354328 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: erica.sklar@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Hand in Hand: The Domestic Employers Network

JOB TITLE: National Organizer YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: c/o Bend the Arc / 330 7th Ave, 19th Fl

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: New York, NY 10001

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: 2122132113 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: stacy@domesticemployers.org

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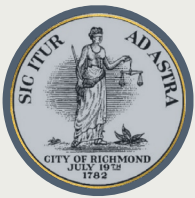
I am aware of participatory budgeting because I know that Seattle, where I used to live, has had participatory budgeting programs through various city departments including the Department of Neighborhoods. This program successfully completed improvement projects around the city, particularly in communities that are typically underserved or where certain improvements would have clear and outsized benefits to the neighborhood.

I also supported building a structure that would eventually lead to participatory budgeting in an organization whose board I sat on. My role was to support the creation of an organizational budget that could eventually have input from members of the organization such that different members of the organization and re-granting organizations could share their views and vote on where they wanted to see our funds go.

This was an organization that raised funds which were re-granted to partner organizations, but there were times when the board made decisions about how much money was granted and to whom without a lot of input from our community or the community organizations we were funding. Our lack of clarity and transparency, while never questioned, made us want to find a better way.

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I work as a community organizer, and in this capacity, both paid and unpaid, I have spent many years working to elect leaders for and from historically under-represented communities, pass policy that benefits low-wage workers, especially domestic workers, and support budgets that prioritize people, affordable housing, public health, and environmental justice.

My paid work is with Hand in Hand, where I organize employers of nannies, home attendants, and house cleaners in support of policy campaigns to pass Domestic Workers Bills of Rights around the country, including here in Virginia. I work in close coalition with the National Domestic Workers Alliance and affiliate organizations, typically comprised of domestic workers and local organizers.

I have been part of community organizing in an unpaid capacity both in Richmond and in other parts of the country around electoral politics and community support. In Seattle, I sat on the board of the Coalition of Anti-Racist Whites, where we fundraised for re-granting to local Black and brown-led organizations including the creation of the Real Rent campaign (realrentduwamish.org), which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Duwamish Tribe, which still lacks federal recognition.

Our work in Seattle depended on deep solidarity and trust: we were able to create and maintain programs like Real Rent only because Tribal elders, CARW members, and the broader community trusted CARW to steward the program. Similarly, CARW acted as a pass-through organization for campaigns, supporting the Black Lives Matter movement last summer and the Trans Women of Color Solidarity Network, as these organizations developed infrastructure, including bank accounts.

In Richmond, I have begun organizing with local formations including Mutual Aid RVA and Southerners on New Ground, both organizations that are building toward a vision of interdependence and care through direct service.

So much service work suffers from lack of resources, and the scarcity is felt most keenly by our Black and brown neighbors. By creating programs that allow transparent, trusted financial stewardship and encourage generous giving, the organizations I support with my labor have become crucial in the ongoing struggle for rights and protections as well as policy and culture change. I'd be glad to bring those skills to the Participatory Budgeting Steering Commission.

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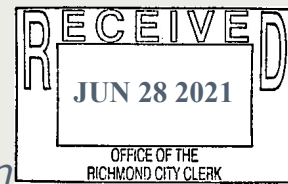
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COUNCIL DISTRICT:

6

NUMBER OF YEARS?

1

TITLE: Mr. FIRST NAME: Wyatt LAST NAME: Gordon

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 2002 Barton Ave

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, 23222

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (804) 429-7765 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: yitgordon@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Virginia Conservation Network

JOB TITLE: Land Use & Transportation Policy Manager YEARS IN POSITION: 1

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 103 E Main St.

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: 23219

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: wyatt@vcnva.org

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YES NO

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING? BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EXPOSURE TO PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING AND WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE STEERING COMMISSION.

I lived in two cities abroad that had robust participatory budgeting programs with promotional materials at bus stops and on public buildings. When I got my master's in urban planning with a focus on community planning and engagement I made participatory budgeting the topic of my thesis. I compared and contrasted participatory budgeting processes in New York City, Berlin, and Yogyakarta, Indonesia in order to determine which policies and frameworks encouraged the highest participation from the public in terms of both idea submission as well as voting. That work earned me a position with the Green Party in Berlin wherein I monitored and evaluated seven city districts' PB processes over the course of a year and a half. Based on a review of PB engagement practices, interviews with municipal and state government officials, and embedded participation in over a dozen local voting processes, I submitted a report to the Speaker for City Planning in the state legislature to improve Berlin's PB and increase public participation in it.


HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


I heard about this process via a news article.



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During the course of my studies at the University of Hawaii's Department of Urban & Regional Planning, I took a wide variety of courses in public finance, community outreach, and city planning. While living in Honolulu I served for three years as the vice chair of two neighborhood boards and led their capital improvement project processes, soliciting ideas and feedback from residents for projects to mitigate stormwater flooding, improve pedestrian safety, and increase greenspace. Simultaneously I worked in the Hawaii House of Representatives for two years and for Honolulu's City Council.

Since moving back home to Virginia I worked in the General Assembly for one session before transitioning into a role with the Local Initiatives Support Corporation as their Program Associate for Family Income and Wealth Building based in Richmond. With LISC I lead a team of twelve financial opportunity coaches that assisted clients in accessing well-paid employment, government benefits, and financial skills.

For the last year and a half I have been working for the Virginia Conservation Network as their Land Use & Transportation Policy Manager. I help coordinate members of more than 150 environmental organizations to advocate for smarter development, affordable housing, and greener transportation policies.

In my free time I serve on boards of VPM (our local PBS/NPR affiliate), the Better Housing Coalition, and the Greater Richmond Transit Company. I also launched Richmond's first-ever LGBTQ film fest with Diversity RVA and Virginia Pride.

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Greater Richmond Transit Company Transit Advisory Group

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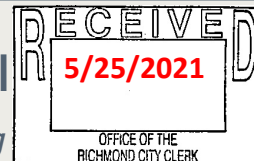
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TITLE: FIRST NAME: LAST NAME:

HOME STREET ADDRESS:

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE:

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS:

EMPLOYER:

JOB TITLE: YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS:

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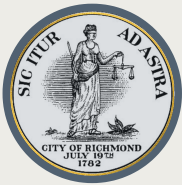
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I've known about participatory budgeting for a few years but my formal exposure to PB was during graduate school while attending a class on political ecology. The professor, at the time, was president of the national Participatory Budgeting Project that had worked with groups in Brazil and North Carolina to implement local PB processes. The course focused on political relationships with our environment and how municipal decisions impact our natural and local interests. Since moving back to Richmond, I have had ongoing conversations with local community leaders who voice frustration over budget decisions that do not reflect residents needs. I believe that PB is a process that can encourage transparency and increase residential interest in municipal decisions resulting in projects with higher community buy in.


HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


A friend who works in affordable housing.



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I attended VCU ('06-'10) earning a Liberal Arts Degree in Political Science and History while later attending the Graduate Center at City University of New York ('15-'17) where I earned a Master's Degree in Political Theory and Public Policy. I have founded and participated in various nonprofits that focus on environmental equity and accessibility to alternative forms of transportation. Currently I serve on the board of Rag And Bones Bicycle Cooperative that provides a public space for bicycle education and services.

I have a working relationship with community members, city employees, and nonprofits through years of collaboration on projects and/or campaigns. This includes advocating for equity based development, environmental restoration, and long term community health. Before the Covid19 pandemic, I was coordinating Environmental Salons where community leaders and government officials convened to share in their experiences and workshop ideas on the future of Richmond's ecological habitats.

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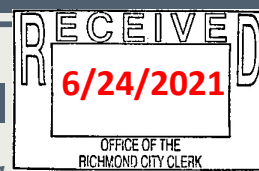
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT?

COUNCIL DISTRICT:

7

NUMBER OF YEARS?

7

TITLE: HOME FIRST NAME: Oludare LAST NAME: Ogunde

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 2000 N 20th Street

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: 23223

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 8045919893 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: oludareogunde@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: LiUNA

JOB TITLE: Lead Organizer YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 424 N 2nd Street

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: 23219

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: 8049443080 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: kshim@maliuna.org

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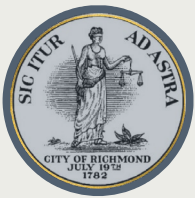
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I learned about this online. As a resident of the City, I believe matters of budgeting are the primary and most important undertaking embarked upon by our elected officials that require ample and adequate input of the residents. As a resident I believe I am well positioned to contribute to the success of the budgeting process. Not only am I a community organizer for the Laborers Union, I am also the president and co-founder of Project Give Back To Community, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization here in the City. I also bring a wealth of experience as a small business owner.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?

Online



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I am the lead community organizer for the Laborers International Union of North America (LIUNA) here in the City. Prior to that, from 2014-2015, I was the President of Resource Information and Help for the Disadvantaged, Inc., a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization in Henrico County. In that capacity I engaged in and directed the community outreach in the Central Virginia area. In 2016 I cofounded and became president of Project Give Back To Community, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit. I continued community outreach and organizing since the founding of the organization to the present.

I earned a B.Sc degree in Botany (1989) from the University of Lagos, Nigeria. I earned a certificate in Communication Arts and Design in 2004 here in Virginia I also earned a certificate in Building Maintenance and AutoCad Design in Virginia between 2010 and 2014. In 2018 I earned a Commercial Driver's License, then in 2019 I graduated from J. Sarge Reynolds Community College with a certificate in substance abuse counseling.

I am also the co-owner of small businesses locally and internationally.

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Mayor's Racial/Health Equity Community Team

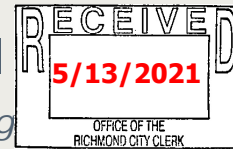
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT?

COUNCIL DISTRICT:

4th

NUMBER OF YEARS?

TITLE:

FIRST NAME: Erin

LAST NAME: Kelley

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 3440 Cooper Road

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond 23225

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (703) 401-6124

HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: Erin.K.Sutton@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Virginia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Services

JOB TITLE: Policy and Finance Analyst

YEARS IN POSITION:

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 1220 Bank Street

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond 23219

BUSINESS TELEPHONE:

BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: Erin.Kelley@dbhds.virginia.gov

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YES NO

Not that I'm aware of.

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I learned about participatory budgeting during my graduate program for public administration.

I'm interested in serving on the steering commission because it aligns with my professional skillset and my personal passion for budgeting. I'm excited that participatory budgeting is coming into focus - budgeting decisions and tradeoffs have a direct impact on individuals lives, and ought to be made with increased public awareness and participation. Participatory budgeting brings us closer to ensuring that the government is truly run to serve the public.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


I received an email from my 4th District City Council member, Kristen Larson.


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COMMUNITY ORGANIZING



PUBLIC FINANCE



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
AND DEVELOPMENT



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



URBAN PLANNING

PLEASE BRIEFLY ELABORATE ON THIS EXPERIENCE. YOU MAY ALSO INCLUDE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND/OR OTHER RELATED EXPERTISE OR QUALIFICATIONS.

Education: Masters of Public Administration

Certification: Certified Government Financial Manager

Relevant Professional Experience:

Presidential Management Fellow at FEMA - engaged in community outreach in New York after Hurricane Sandy.

Program Examiner at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) - Served as a policy and budget analyst and advisor to White House staff on matters within the Department of Justice.

Program and Policy Analyst at the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health - Serve as a budget analyst, and advise Senior Leadership on strategic planning and budget matters. Co-led work group to improve financing strategy for community health programs.

Relevant Volunteer Experience:

VP of Neighborhoods, Inc - Served as VP for a neighborhood nonprofit for a year in Washington, DC. and coordinated mayoral debate.

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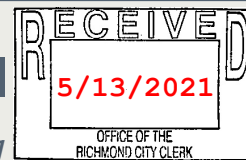
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? COUNCIL DISTRICT: 4 NUMBER OF YEARS? 8

TITLE: Mr. FIRST NAME: Jeffrey LAST NAME: Walker

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 4902 Riverside Drive

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, 23225

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (314) 541-2738 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: jwalkrva@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Self-Employed

JOB TITLE: CEO YEARS IN POSITION: 1

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 4902 Riverside Drive

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, 23225

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (314) 541-2738 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: jeff@credevolv.com

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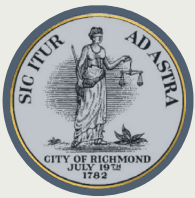
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I learned about participatory budgeting from my 4th District council member, Kristen Larsen. I am interested because I am an 8 year resident of the city and believe I can collaborate effectively and bring some best practices to the budgeting process.

I have extensive experience in budgeting for large and small, public and private financial institutions, nonprofit budgeting and personal budgeting. I am the CEO of a for-profit company who partners with HUD-certified non-profit housing counselors who provide budget coaching for consumers. I believe I will bring a collaborative, disciplined commercial experience and a passion which will complement the city and my fellow participatory budgeting members.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


Kristen Larsen, 4th District



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I am the CEO of CredEvolv Services LLC, a technologically socially-responsible company which guides the consumer journey to credit well-being. We provide a platform to link consumer lenders with HUD-certified non-profit counseling agencies to help consumers achieve credit well-being.

From 2016-2020 I was an SVP at Fannie Mae, responsible for community development, strategy, and lending customer relationships. In that regard, I led relationships with all 50 state housing finance agencies as well as lenders.

Prior to 2016, over the course of 25 years I held various consumer and community centric executive roles with SunTrust Mortgage in Richmond VA, CitiMortgage in St. Louis MO, Wells Fargo in Des Moines IA, and Freddie Mac in McLean VA.

I am currently an active philanthropist in Richmond, providing financial support to a variety of non-profits including Urban Hope, FeedMore, Community Foundation for a greater Richmond, Binford Middle School, and Massie Cancer Center.

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Member Westover Hills Neighborhood Association

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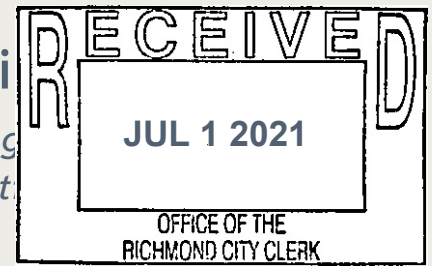
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COUNCIL DISTRICT:

8

NUMBER OF YEARS?

30

TITLE: FIRST NAME: Shannon LAST NAME: Gonzalez

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 3712 Bonmark Dr.

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: 23234

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 8049674475 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: shannonava1978@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: N/A

JOB TITLE: N/A YEARS IN POSITION: N/A

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: N/A

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: N/A

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: N/A BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: N/A

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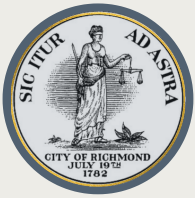
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I was first introduced to the idea of participatory during my work on the city's master plan of the Richmond 300. I have explored PB through various means such as constructive conversations with fellow Richmonders and other interested stakeholders, attended webinars and virtual meetings., etc. I believe my experience on the engagement team of the Richmond 300, membership in various community organizations as well as a sincere interest and motivation to continue to provide avenues to engage all Richmond areas and having a direct say in their government enables me to be a highly qualified candidate for consideration.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?

I heard about this commission from Daniel Wagner, 1st District Liaison.

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As a graduate student of Longwood college I majored in social work and subsequently completed my degree at Virginia Commonwealth University and criminal justice. Since then I have completed graduate studies at VCU in the School of Education in Special Education leadership. Also after graduating I worked at Richmond Behavior Health Authority with children and families with serious mental illness. I also have community outreach experience working with the Richmond city Democrats as well as the Richmond 300 and other civic and community organizations that I have participated in.

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Sister Cities Commission from 1992-1994 and 2014-2016. Richmond 300 Engagement Team from 2019-2020.

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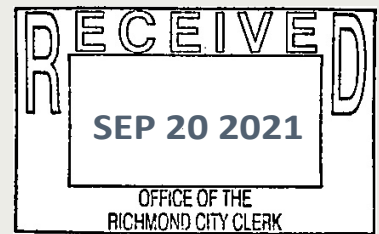
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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? COUNCIL DISTRICT: 9 NUMBER OF YEARS? 28

TITLE: Ms. FIRST NAME: Mary LAST NAME: Gresham

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 2607 Bertram Road

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, Virginia 23224

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: (804) 687-8211 HOME FAX:

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: wasross@comcast.net

EMPLOYER: Richmond Public Schools

JOB TITLE: Manager of Custodial Services YEARS IN POSITION: 2.

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 1461 Commerce Road

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, Virginia 23224

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (804) 297-5780 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS: mgresham@rvaschools.net

DO YOU OR YOUR EMPLOYER HAVE A CONTRACT, OTHER THAN A CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT, EITHER WITH THE CITY OF RICHMOND OR WITH THE ENTITY TO WHICH YOU ARE SEEKING APPOINTMENT? IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE NATURE OF THE CONTRACT.

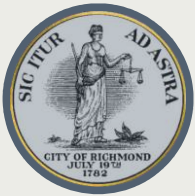
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HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING? BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EXPOSURE TO PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING AND WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE STEERING COMMISSION.

I learned about participatory budgeting through various members of my community. I am interested in participatory budgeting because I feel the need to be involved in the way money is being spent on each district in the City of Richmond. I would like to be a part of the steering committee to represent the 9th District.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OR WHO REFERRED YOU TO APPLY TO THIS COMMISSION?


I heard about the committee from members in my community. I got further information from the 9th



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DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

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PLEASE BRIEFLY ELABORATE ON THIS EXPERIENCE. YOU MAY ALSO INCLUDE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND/OR OTHER RELATED EXPERTISE OR QUALIFICATIONS.

I have served on the 9th district task force. I have helped organize, develop a logistics plan and complete several community outreach events in the 9th district including an annual backpack giveaway for 9th district students and the Michael Jones annual turkey giveaway for residents.

I currently serve as the J.L. Francis Elementary school PTA President. In that role, we recently had a back to school fair that I organized and executed.

I have served on the Southside Revitalization Committee.

LIST OTHER CITY OF RICHMOND AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR TASK FORCES YOU CURRENTLY OR HAVE PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON AND INCLUDE DATES SERVED AND OFFICES HELD.

I have served on the Commission for Revitalization in Southside.
 I currently serve as the President of the J.L. Francis PTA
 I have served on the Mayor's Teacher's Committee
 I have serve on the Superintendent's Parent Committee
 9th District Task Force

(By forwarding or otherwise transmitting this form, you certify that all information submitted for consideration is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.)

NOTE: This application is a public document and once completed will remain on file for consideration for six (6) months at which time it must be updated.

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ARE YOU A CITY RESIDENT? yes COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3 NUMBER OF YEARS?

TITLE: FIRST NAME: Sharron LAST NAME: Shuler

HOME STREET ADDRESS: 303 West Charity St Apt B

HOME CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond Virginia 23220

HOME/MOBILE TELEPHONE: 804 988-2244 HOME FAX: 804-663-8664

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS: Sharronshulera@gmail.com

EMPLOYER: Kleane Kare Team

JOB TITLE: Lead General Cleaner YEARS IN POSITION: 18 months

BUSINESS STREET ADDRESS: 5729 S. Laburnum Ave,

BUSINESS CITY, ZIP CODE: Richmond, Va 23231

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: 804-521-4132 BUSINESS FAX:

BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS:

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MR. Kiya Stokes put me on to this opportunity to participatory budgeting.

I'm interested in Learning this whole process and share my ideas. I always think that communities can be better if everyone works together and for me I did a lot of complaining and never did anything so this is my contribution to ^{do something in} the community.

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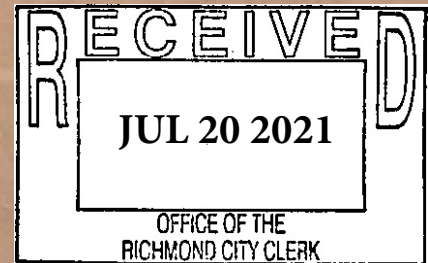
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I had some experiences working in the community where I grew up in NY. Interned at a youth run-away shelter, and with the homeless who looking for Food, clothes, job and shelter. So I think im familiar with the want and needs of the community



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