

Application Form

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Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Economic Diversification Commission: Submitted

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Question applies to Economic Diversification Commission

The current vacancies on the Economic Diversification Commission are to complete terms expiring September 2022. Are you able to commit to serving for that full time period (approximately six months)? You may apply for reappointment in September 2022 if you wish to continue serving after that time.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Question applies to multiple boards

**Required Time Commitment: All board/committee members and commissioners are expected to (1) be physically present at most, if not all, board/committee or commission meetings and (2) review agenda materials prior to arriving for the meeting to be best prepared for discussion and decision making. Are you aware of the time commitment involved in serving on this particular board, committee, or commission? Are you willing and able to commit to regular meetings plus work sessions every month for your full term?**

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yes

Question applies to multiple boards

**Regular attendance at meetings by commissioners/board members is crucial to the commission/board's ability to conduct business. Attendance for commissioners/board members is tracked. Under current City Council policy, the seat of a board/committee member or commissioner will be considered vacant following three consecutive absences from regular meetings. At that time, the member will be asked to either resign or be removed by formal action of Council to allow other interested citizens a chance to serve. Are you committed to in-person attendance at most, if not all, commission/board meetings? Do you understand you must provide your commission/board staff as much notice as possible if you must be absent to ensure a quorum is available to conduct commission/board business?**

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yes

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**How did you learn about this vacancy? \***

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☒ KVAK Radio

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## Interests & Experience

**Why are you interested in serving on a City of Valdez board or commission?**

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I believe in community service.

**Please outline your education, work, and volunteer experience which will assist you in serving on a City of Valdez board/commission.**

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Master's of Science from University of Alaska Fairbanks 2012, Employed by the City of Valdez since 2018, Employed by the Geophysical Institute 2012-2018 University of Alaska Fairbanks, Employed by the Center for Earthquake Research and Information 1999-2007 University of Memphis,

Question applies to Economic Diversification Commission

**Valdez Municipal Code Chapter 2.60 states members of the Economic Diversification Commission should be diversified to the maximum extent possible. Please select the industry sector which best represents your area of expertise (choose one). \***

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☒ Other

Question applies to Economic Diversification Commission

**Please describe your qualifications to represent your selected industry sector.**

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I'm recognized by the International Information System Security Certification Consortium as a Certified Information Systems Security Professional.

Question applies to Economic Diversification Commission

**Please describe your vision for the economic future of Valdez.**

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Valdez will be successful if the city: promotes the creation of small to midsize businesses, cultivates opportunity for local residents to acquire marketable skillsets, adopts policy that instantiates an incentive for local investment.

Question applies to Economic Diversification Commission, Beautification Task Force

**How do you think the community of Valdez could improve upon the aesthetics of its built environment?**

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For those areas that lack a pleasing aesthetic it is important to shift the focus from the shortcomings to something different. Developing features that have potential will improve community perception over time.

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