



APPLICATION FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

ATTACHMENTS TO APPLICATION MUST BE LIMITED TO TWO PAGES.
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT.

Fax or email completed documents to cmacrina@fcgov.com or 970.472.3003

If you have questions or need additional information, contact: City Clerk's Office (300 LaPorte Avenue) at

970.416.2525

Eligibility Requirements: # 1 year residency within the [Fort Collins Growth Management Area](#)

Board or Commission: Landmark Preservation commission

(Please complete one application for each board or commission membership. You may apply for 2 boards at a time)

Name: Kevin M Murray

Mailing Address: _____ Zip: 80521

Residence: _____ Zip: _____

(If different than Mailing Address)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Have you resided within the Fort Collins [Growth Management Area](#) for one year? Yes

Which [Council District](#) do you live in? 6

Current Occupation: Building Contractor Employer: Empire Carpentry llc Prior work experience (please include dates):

Volunteer experience (please include dates):

~~Member: Old Town Neighborhood Design Guidelines Committee (5/15/2015 – 3/30/2017) City of Fort Collins~~

~~Member: Eastside/Westside Design(2012 – 2014) City of Fort Collins~~

~~Member: Old Town Neighborhood Plan Committee (2015 – 2017) City of Fort Collins~~

Are you currently serving on a City board or commission? No

If so, which one? _ Why do you want to become a member of this particular board or commission? **My drive to work on and rehabilitate historical has been a focal part of my life and work.**

Have you attended a meeting of the board or commission you are applying to or talked to anyone currently on the board? Yes

If Yes, please share your experience: **I have often presented my proposed work on different historic properties, as a historic contractor over the years. I also helped prepare the North Campus Survey and presented to the LPC. I was involved in helping develop the Whitcomb Street Historic District with other community members.**

List any abilities, skills, licenses, certifications, specialized training, or interests you have which are applicable to this board or commission:

I: Have worked on many properties (20+) for the State Historic Fund (History Colorado).

Have worked on a dozen National Register Buildings

Am Included in the Directory of Cultural Resource Management Agencies, Consultants and Personnel for Colorado by the Colorado Historical Society (1999).

Was a Presenter at 2006 Conference of Colorado Preservation Inc.

Am licensed as a Contractor (C-1) in Fort Collins

Have a Green Building Certificate from Colorado State University (2008)

Created a series of window rehab videos with University of Colorado, Denver Preservation (2012)

Live in a Historic District in Fort Collins

Briefly explain what you believe are the three most important issues face this board or commission, and how do you believe this board or commission should address each issue?

FIRST ISSUE: The success of the Downtown Revitalization may end up being its own enemy. The Downtown was a devastated, half empty, shell of a business district in the early 1970's. Because of forward thinkers like Gene Mitchell, Dick Beardmore and Jim Reidhead, the shell was recognized for its past beauty and its possibilities.

We all know how much the Revitalized Downtown has positively affected the economy of Fort Collins. The work done Downtown has brought so much attention that it can be said that the City has a new life from this investment. What has also become obvious is that this recognition of renewal has brought many accolades and, over time, with it, stress on the District. Sort of being loved to death.

Fort Collins has grown immensely in the time I've been here. Many well-known festivals and concerts are held Downtown. Magazines show our Downtown on covers and talk of the City as a great place to live. Almost all of the wonderful new events happen Downtown. Sometimes the events have had to be downsized just to keep them in control.

I think we need to start to look at spreading the wealth beyond Historic Downtown, as far as all the festivals and other events go. It's my belief that to save Historic Downtown from the pressure of being the Center of one of the best places to live, we need to share the action with the rest of this growing City. There are other centers that can grow to take pressure off Historic Downtown: Areas like Mid-Town, around CSU and newer areas like Harmony Road, by the other end of the MAX line. When I came to town in the 70's all the festivals and concerts happened at CSU and around Fort Collins High School.

I believe the LPC will have to help save Downtown from its success, and spread the wealth of events to other deserving City areas.

SECOND ISSUE: With our Downtown (Old Town) known so well, and being a large reason for people to move to our City, I believe we need to also connect our Historic Downtown to the Historic Community that grew up around it. There is pressure to extend growth with new large buildings, and replace smaller residential structures, around the Historic Old Town. This ends up causing a division between the Historic Center of Fort Collins and its Historic Residential neighborhoods. Development is strangling Downtown by placing a larger area of commercial development around it, and severing it from its residential support system. I think this action will cause the second failure of Historic Old Town, as it becomes an island in the middle of development that will negate its need beyond being a symbol for our City.

THIRD ISSUE: With the 50 year rule for a property being Historic, we are running into a surge in possible historic buildings. All buildings from the 60's will soon be designated historic; including streamline trim, hollow core mahogany doors, low roof lines. Since the City (and County that the City has annexed) had a large boom then, we have a new group of potential historic buildings and districts that will be further from the City core.

I believe the LPC will have to come up with a new set of Guidelines set up on an age of buildings, that may not be as much regional as old neighborhoods. In other words, set guidelines for the age of a building as well as location within the City.

Please specify any activities which might create a serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to this board or commission: **My conflict would be that I work on many historic properties, and have held contracts with the City on rehabilitation of historic properties. I see myself continuing to apply for such contracts.**

Have you ever been convicted of a crime (except for minor traffic offenses that resulted only in a fine)?

X No

If yes, please explain in detail. State the nature and approximate date of the conviction, the sentence imposed, whether the sentence has been completed, and any other information you consider to be relevant.

Upon application for and acceptance of appointment, board and commission members demonstrate their intention and ability to attend meetings. If appointed, frequent nonattendance may result in termination of the appointment.

By typing my name in the space provided, I submit my electronic signature and application to the City of Fort Collins and swear or affirm under penalty of perjury pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado:

that I meet the eligibility requirements of the position sought and

that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Kevin M Murray

Date Submitted: November 22nd 2017

(Type your name here)

Optional: How did you learn of a vacancy on this board or commission?

Website

Other (please specify) _____

Kevin Murray & EMPIRE CARPENTRY VITAE RELEASE

- Worked on over 30 National, State and Local Historic Buildings since 1979.
- Included on Contractor Referral Short List, Landmark Rehabilitation Grant Program, City of Fort Collins.
- Included on the “Pre-Qualified Consultants List” for the Design Assistance Program through the City of Fort Collins Landmarks Preservation Committee and Historic Preservation Office.
- Included in the Directory of Cultural Resource Management Agencies, Consultants and Personnel for Colorado by the Colorado Historical Society (1998).
- Member: Timber Framer’s Guild of North America. (TFG).
- Accredited timber grading consultant, Timber Frame Engineering Committee, TFG. (2015)
- Member: National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Member: Colorado Preservation Inc. Presenter at 2006 Conference
- CSU Green Building Certificate, 2008
- Winner of the City of Fort Collins “Friends of Preservation Award” for exemplary preservation of Historic Resources (2007).
- Co-winner of the Historic Fort Collins Presidents Award for participation in saving the Downtown Coke Sign (2012).
- Co-Winner of Urban Design Award (Fort Collins, Colorado) for restoration of Downtown Coke Sign (2013).
- Co-winner of the Urban Design Award (Fort Collins, Colorado) for Architecture (2015)
- Co-Winner of the City of Fort Collins “Friends of Preservation Award” for the designation of the Whitcomb Street Historic District (2013).
- Licensed as a Building Contractor in the City of Fort Collins, City & County of Denver, Larimer County, and Boulder County.

Kevin Murray & EMPIRE SURVEYS VITAE RELEASE

- Completed the North Campus Survey for the City of Fort Collins, Colorado (2010-2011)
- Assisted in the survey of the designated Whitcomb Street Historic District (2012-2013)
- Survey transitional areas for historic designation and reference, for the City of Fort Collins (present).