



APPLICATION FOR BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

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

**If you have questions or need more 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

Name: Walter Dunn

Mailing Address: _____ **Zip:** _____

Residence: _____ **Home Phone:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Work Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Have you resided in the Fort Collins Growth Management Area for at least one year? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Which Council District do you live in? District 5

Current Occupation: Land Survey Technician **Employer:** Majestic Surveying

Recent and/or relevant work experience (please include dates) Land Survey Technician - November 2019 - Present (in Northeast Colorado) Experience working with construction crews on both new projects and existing building projects Experience conducting surveys on existing houses and buildings in Fort Collins, including the University Archaeological Technician - June 2019 - November 2019 (in Colorado and Northeast Colorado) Experience conducting surveys of areas

Recent and/or relevant volunteer experience (please include dates)

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

If so, which one? _____

Why do you want to become a member of this particular board or commission? My background in history and my experience as an archaeologist and currently as a land surveyor in the construction field gives me unique perspective in landmark preservation.

Have you attended a meeting of the board or commission you are applying to or talked to anyone currently on the board?
☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please share your experience:

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

Abilities, Skills, and Interests: History Major Completed Archaeological Field School in Cyprus Work experience as archaeologist for 1 and a half years Work experience in construction field for 1 year Interests: History Archaeology Preservation of history

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

- 1) Land use is a major issue especially in areas experiencing rapid growth. Being a city with such a rich history, there are landmarks and historically significant areas scattered throughout the area. However there is also a need to use this land for development. So to resolve this issue I think it is important to minimize the impact on the historically or culturally significant buildings or areas. Bottom line, i have a fairly strict view on preservation, i believe that, for the most part, structures should be maintained and green spaces should be untouched. Of course it is a case by case basis.
- 2) Like the issue above, an inevitable issue of encountering landmarks while undergoing construction projects will occur. I think it is important to require construction companies to have a very detailed plan of action involving the preservation of such landmarks. Included in those plans would be some form of monitoring.
- 3) Another issue that this commission probably faces is what defines preservation. Obviously it is case by case, but in general it should follow a set guideline. I think most landmarks should be maintained, but mostly untouched. However, i recognize that older building and landmarks will need to have maintance performed regularly to ensure its integrity. I believe that buildings should have its outer facade unchanged, even if other newer buildings are constructed near it, and the inside should have dedicated protected areas for the preservation of its history and culture.

Please specify any activities which might create a serious conflict of interest if you should be appointed to this board or commission:

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 your 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: _____ **Date:** _____

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

- ☐ Newspaper ☐ Cable 14 ☐ City News (Utility Bill Insert) ☐ Website
- Other (please specify) Reddit.com/r/fortcollins