

Fw: Form submission from: Board and Commission Volunteer Application for the City of Kyle

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To: Debbie Guerra <dguerra@cityofkyle.com>;

Here's Pete's application.

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Name: William Oppel
Address: 4925 Cromwell Apt. 3205
E-Mail: poppel@twc.com
Best Phone Number to Reach You: 214-417-5792
Subdivision: Vista Ridge Apartments
Boards or commissions in which you are interested: Planning and Zoning Commission
Professional, Education and Work Background:
Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Texas
Former Director of the Public information Office for the City of Dallas
Former Partner in a media/crisis consulting firm for 20 years which dealt with many zoning issues around the state including an effort by a former governor of New Jersey to zone the entire state.
In working with many government legislative bodies across the country, am very familiar with correct parliamentary procedures and Roberts Rules of Order.
Previous or Current Community/Committee Involvements:
Reporter/author of the Kyle Report which focuses on municipal government.
Have attended every single Planning & Zoning Commission agenda meeting and workshop since October 2014.
Have attended all but one City Council agenda meetings since October 2014 and all City Council workshops and special emergency meetings.
During the weekend preceding a Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, I personally visit every site mentioned on the agenda for a possible zoning change to determine for myself the suitability of such a change.
Special Knowledge or Experience: Basically addressed in previous response although I should add, as part of my research into writing The Kyle Report, I have carefully studied not only Chapter 211 of the Texas Municipal Code but also constantly review Kyle's zoning ordinances.
How long have you been a Kyle resident? Approximately 2 1/3 years
Other Comments: I am a strong proponent of the concept of "smart growth" and "The Smart Growth Manual" by Andres Duany, Jeff Speck and Mike Lydon is my bible in this area. I am also a fervent believer in Charles L. Marohn Jr.'s guidelines for "building strong towns" and am concerned that a lot of the growth Kyle is approving won't provide sufficient revenue for the maintenance of those areas in the future; i.e., Kyle is rapidly becoming a huge Ponzi scheme. I would also want assurances from the City that it

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would have no problems with my continuing to write The Kyle Report should I be appointed to the commission. I am retired so I would face no work-related conflicts with serving on the commission and/or attending commission meetings.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<http://www.cityofkyle.com/node/442/submission/49111>