

Town of Apex Council Member Application

Filling Vacant Seat through December 2013

Due to the recent resignation of Councilman Mike Jones, an Apex Town Council seat is currently vacant. The vacancy will be filled through an open process in which interested citizens can submit an application for the Council's review. The final candidate will be appointed by the Council to serve the remainder of term through December 2013. Candidates must be at least 21 year of age, live within the Apex town limits and be registered to vote.

Serving on the Council requires time and dedication, meeting twice each month in addition to work sessions and other special projects.

The Town of Apex operates under the Council-Manager form of government, in which the citizens elect a Mayor and Council members (the Council) as the Town's governing body. The Council represents Apex residents and works to establish policies that are responsive to residents' needs and wishes, and that affect the overall operation of the community as a whole. For more information about Apex's form of government, and sitting Council members, visit www.apexnc.org/elected-officials.

- x By checking this box, I consent to the posting of this application on the Town of Apex public website. I understand that all applicants for the Council seat who agree to have their application made public will have it posted on September 20th at noon, following the September 19th application submission deadline.

Contact Information

First Name: Emily Middle Initial: E Last Name: Grasso

Street Address: 1814 White Dogwood Road, Apex, NC

Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Alternate): _____

Email: emily.grasso@egrg.net

How long have you lived in the town limits of Apex? 4 years

Occupation & Education

Occupation: Scientist

Place of Employment: Monsanto

Education: Bachelor's of Science in Biology, Some Master's classes in Biology

Other Distinctions: _____

Local Government Experience & Civic Engagement

- Please describe any previous experience in local government (employment with municipality, service on elected board, service on appointed committees). Be sure to include the Town in which you served, and your role there.
 - Board of Adjustments, Member 2004-2006 Town of Morrisville
- Please list involvement in other civic groups or other relevant organizations.
 - Storm Water Task Force, Member 2005-2006 Wake County
 - Morrisville CERT Team , Co-Chairman 2006-2007 Town of Morrisville

Other Information

- Describe why you want to serve as a Town of Apex Town Council member.
As a resident, I feel that it would be an honor to add my passion to the future direction of the Town of Apex. I think it is important to be involved locally and participate in the community that I call home. I would like to serve on the Town of Apex Town Council to help the town continue to grow and develop but still maintain the small town feel that makes Apex such a great place to live. I have a unique skill set in scientific research and project management that helps me to see the big picture and provide direction while keeping many interests in mind.
- Describe your perspective on issues you believe the Town is currently facing and what ideas you have for dealing with those issues.
The Town of Apex, like many small towns in the area is growing at a rapid rate which helps to bring economic and job growth opportunities to the town. The town management and the town council members are faced with making sure that the town has the infrastructure and a good long range plan to make sure that we are growing in a responsible way. As a member of the town council I would use my skills in research and project management to make sure that I am making an informed decision that benefits the citizens of the Town of Apex now and in the future.
- Have you ever been convicted of a crime (other than a minor traffic infraction/violation)? No

Timeline for Filling Vacancy

Please complete fully and submit to Town Clerk Georgia Evangelist via email at georgia.evangelist@apexnc.org by 5pm on Monday, September 19, 2011.

Council will review applications and consider an appointment at the October 4th regular meeting. The new Council member may be sworn into office as early as the following regular meeting.

Direct all questions about the submittal process in writing to Town Manager, Bruce Radford at bruce.radford@apexnc.org.