



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

November 1, 2021

City Council President Joseph P. Lopes and
Honorable Members of the City Council
City of New Bedford
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Lopes and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of **LAURA PARRISH** of 100 Madison Street, New Bedford, MA to the **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** as a full member of the Board. Ms. Parrish is currently serving as an Alternate Member, but has been contributing as a full member since the resignation of Leo Schick whom she will be replacing. This term will expire in December 2024.

Sincerely,



Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

JFM/sds

cc: Laura Parrish



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION

The Mayor is seeking citizens who wish to serve on City Boards and Commissions established to assist and advise the City on specific matters. Please complete this application in full (attach a resume and other information which may assist the Mayor and the City Council in making its selection) and email to Silvia.DaSilva@newbedford-ma.gov. The Mayor reserves the right to reject any application. Appointments may be subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Board/Commission applying for (see attached list): Zoning Board of Appeals

Name: Laura Parrish

Email: _____

Home telephone: _____

Work telephone: NA

Residence address: 100 Madison Street

Zip code: 02740

Present occupation & place of employment: _____

Educational background: Bachelors of Fine Arts, Graphic Design, Boston University

Memberships in community organizations or professional groups: WHALE, Rotch Jones Duff House
New Bedford Festival Theatre, Boston Business Woman, Amazing Design People List Mentor

City Board and/or Commissions on which you have previously served: Zoning Board of Appeals

Reasons why you wish to be considered for appointment by the Mayor: _____

I have served as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals for the past 2 years; I am now seeking appointment as a full member, as I have been the acting Chair for the past 6 months or so.

Please detail specific areas of expertise: On top of my years of experience on the ZBA thus far, I have a

I wish to see nothing but the best for the City of New Bedford.

Please detail specific areas of interest: _____

Real estate, re-development of unoccupied buildings, renovation/restoration, design

Availability for meetings: daytime ☐ evenings ☒ both ☐ (check one)

Resident of the City since: 2015 (please provide year)

Please provide two references:

Name: Anne Louro Relationship: Friend
Phone number: (508) 353-2519 Email: _____

Name: Diana Henry Relationship: Friend/Colleague
Phone number: (508) 951-3019 Email: _____

Appointees and incumbents may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest, as required by the City Council Rules or the Mayor. The Statement may require a declaration that you have no interest in conflict with the City of New Bedford. Please return your completed application to the Mayor's Office, 133 William Street, Room 311, New Bedford, MA 02740.

Applications will be kept on file for two years.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Signature of Applicant: member: BB178054-ADA8-4C0B-A33A-D345E595F8A8
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Date: 10/13/2021



MAYOR
JON MITCHELL
PLANNING DIRECTOR
JENNIFER CARLONI

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell

FROM: Jennifer Carloni, Director of City Planning

RE: LAURA PARRISH REAPPOINTMENT FROM ZBA

DATE: October 21, 2021

This is to advise you of Laura Parrish's attendance over a three-year span ranging from 2019 – 2021 with respect to her service on the city's Zoning Board of Appeals. Her attendance on said board was, as follows:

Zoning Board of Appeals Attendance Summary			
Board Member	2019	2020	2021
Laura Parrish	8 of 13	4 of 12	10 of 10

Ms. Parrish served as an alternate member from 2018 until present and was voted Chair in October 2020. Ms. Parrish has enthusiastically expressed his willingness to serve as a full member of the ZBA. Ms. Parrish's attendance was low from 2019-2020 reflecting her position serving as an alternate.

In light of her ongoing contribution to the Zoning Board of Appeals, I recommend Ms. Parrish for appointment.

Should you have any questions concerning this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Carloni,
Planning Director