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MAYOR'S OFFICE

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Ann H. Campbell, Mayor
DATE: September 21, 2012
SUBJECT: Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Zoning Board of Adjustment

Due to Bruce Calhoun's resignation from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, it will be necessary to appoint an individual to fill this vacancy. I have chosen Shelby Ebel to fill the unexpired term of office.

Therefore, I recommend that the City Council approve the appointment of Shelby Ebel to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

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Attachment

Name: Shelby Ebel

Are you a resident of Ames?

Yes

No

Address: (home): 327 22nd Street

Home Phone: (515) 450-6186

Email Address: shelbarama@gmail.com

Occupation: stay-at-home mom

Education: B.A. - Political Science

List the name of the board and/or commission to which you wish to be appointed (in the order of preference):

1. Zoning Board of Adjustment

Please state any particular qualifications, expertise, or experience you have that you believe to be relevant. My degree is in Political Science but I took several planning and urban geography classes in college. I spent my last semester in college (Spring 2000) working as a planning intern for the City of Fresno (CA) and upon graduation, I was hired to work full time as a planner. I worked as a city planner for 7 years before quitting my job and moving to Ames, Iowa in 2007. At the city of Fresno, I worked in both current and advance planning and some of my duties included processing site plan reviews, conditional use permits, variances, plan amendments, rezones, tract maps, annexations, addressing, minor deviations and design review applications as well as the update of the General Plan. I believe my experience working as a planner makes me a good fit for the open position on the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Please state your reasons for wishing to be appointed to the above. As I stated above, I used to be a city planner and I really miss working in planning. I am a stay-at-home mom now and have been for the last 4+ years but I would like to be involved with development and planning in the city of Ames somehow. I think my experience and expertise in planning could be a benefit to the Board and something that I would personally enjoy doing. My husband and I have been here in Ames for over 5 years now and I think it is time for me to get involved in my community and give back and the Zoning Board is a great place for me to do that.