

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Letters of interest are being accepted through November 18, 2022 for a limited number of openings on Flathead County Boards and Committees

FLATHEAD COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Flathead County is accepting “letters of interest” to serve on the Board of Adjustment. The Board is made up of five members who have the authority to grant variances to parts of the Flathead County Zoning Regulations and make final decisions on conditional use permits and zoning variances.

There are two (2) positions which will become vacant at the end of the year. The positions are two-year terms, beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. All positions are appointed by the Flathead County Commissioners.

To be considered for the position, the applicant must reside outside of the city zoning jurisdictions of Kalispell, Whitefish, or Columbia Falls, but within Flathead County.

FLATHEAD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Flathead County is accepting “letters of interest” to serve on the Planning Board. The Board has nine members, including a representative from the Flathead Conservation District. There are four (4) vacancies that will become vacant at the end of the year and will be two-year terms that will run from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. There is also one (1) vacancy to fulfill the remainder of a term for a member that has resigned; the term would run beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. These positions are appointed by the Flathead County Commissioners. There is a vacancy for one (1) representative from the Soil Conservation District who is appointed by their board and ratified by the Flathead County Commissioners. This position would serve a one-year term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

To be considered for a position applicants must be a ‘resident freeholder’, which means you must live on the property you own, outside the planning jurisdictions of Kalispell, Columbia Falls, and Whitefish, but within Flathead County.

COLUMBIA FALLS CITY-COUNTY PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

There are two (2) county vacancies on this board. Applicants must reside within the planning jurisdictional area but outside the city limits of Columbia Falls. The terms each run two (2) years beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

NEIGHBORHOOD LAND USE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Ashley Lake Land Use Advisory Committee

There are five (5) existing vacancies currently available for service on this committee and two (2) vacancies that will become vacant at the end of the year. Two (2) existing vacancies are for on-lake property owners and would begin January 1, 2023 and run through December 31, 2024. Two (2) existing vacancies are for off-lake owners and would begin January 1, 2023 and run through December 31, 2026. One (1) existing vacancy is for a corporate timber representative and would begin January 1, 2023 and run through December 31, 2024. Two (2) vacancies that will be open at the end of this year are for on-lake owners; the terms would begin January 1, 2023 and run through December 31, 2026.

Egan Slough Planning & Zoning Commission

There is currently one (1) opening on the Committee. The applicants, or their immediate family, must reside within the boundaries of the Egan Slough Zoning District. The term will begin January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

Helena Flats Land Use Advisory Committee

There are four (4) vacancies available for service on this committee. One (1) vacancy will run for a four (4) year term, beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026. One (1) existing vacancy will fulfill a remaining term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) existing vacancy will fulfill a remaining term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. One (1) vacancy will fulfill a remaining term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. All applicants must own real property in the Helena Flats Land Use Area as defined or live in the area of the Helena Flats District.

La Brant-Lindsey Lane Land Use Advisory Committee

There are currently three (3) existing vacancies on this Committee and one that will become vacant at the end of the year. One (1) existing vacancy is for property owners with over twenty (20) acres and would fulfill an existing term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. One (1) existing vacancy is for a property owner with under twenty (20) acres and whose term would run January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. One (1) existing vacancy is for a member at large* whose term would run starting January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) vacancy will run for a four (4) year term, beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026. All applicants must own property in the La Brant-Lindsey Lane Neighborhood Plan area or zoning district. **The member at large is recommended by the committee.*

Little Bitterroot Lake Land Use Advisory Committee

There are currently five (5) existing vacancies on this committee. Three (3) members are appointed by the Little Bitterroot Lake Association; two (2) of those vacancies would serve a new term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025 and one (1) of the existing vacancies would serve the remaining term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) member is appointed by and represents the timber industry and would serve a remaining 3-year term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) existing vacancy is for an off-lake owner who must be a property owner from within the Little Bitterroot Lake Neighborhood Plan area who owns land that does not front or abut on Little Bitterroot Lake. They would be appointed by the Flathead County Commissioners and would serve a 3-year term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.

Middle Canyon Land Use Advisory Committee

There are two (2) vacancies on the Committee. One (1) vacancy would run three (3) years beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025; the applicant must be a permanent resident. One (1) vacancy would run three (3) years beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025; the applicant must be a business owner operating in Middle Canyon.

Riverdale Land Use Advisory Committee

There are currently two (2) openings on the Committee. One (1) existing vacancy would run the remaining term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) vacancy would serve the remainder of a term from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. The applicants must either reside and/or own land in the land use area of Riverdale.

Rogers Lake Land Use Advisory Committee

There are three (3) vacancies on the Committee. One (1) existing vacancy is for a corporate timber representative and would run the remaining term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) existing vacancy is for an on-lake owner and would serve the remainder of the term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. One (1) existing vacancy is for a state lease holder and would serve a 4-year term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026.

West Valley Land Use Advisory Committee

There are currently four (4) vacancies on the Committee. All applicants must be landowners within the district, (i.e., West Valley Zoning District or West Valley Overlay Zoning District) or duly appointed representatives of a business or corporation that owns property within the district. One (1) existing vacancy would fill a remaining term and begin January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. One (1) existing vacancy is for a citizen member and would serve beginning January 1, 2023 and run through December 31, 2024. One (1) vacancy is for a corporate timber representative and would begin January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. One (1) vacancy is for a member-at-large* and would serve beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. **The member at large is recommended by the committee and confirmed by the Commissioners.*

TO APPLY FOR ANY OF THESE POSITIONS:

Letters of interest (please specify which board/committee you are applying for) including name, physical address, mailing address, daytime phone number and qualifications should be submitted to:

Flathead County Planning & Zoning Office
South Campus Building
40 11th Street West, Ste. 220
Kalispell, MT 59901

All letters of interest should be received by 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, November 18, 2022**. For additional information please call 751-8200.