

Item # 10C
Date: 8/24/20

Boards & Commissions Volunteer

Today's Date

4/23/2026

Name

Keegan Patterson

Address

Home Phone

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Email

Board - Board Description

- Parks/Recreation/Cemetery - Oversees recreational programs, parks, cemeteries, and community events
- Planning and Zoning Commission - Reviews development plans and zoning changes; guides city land use
- Board of Adjustment (as called) - Hears appeals and variances to zoning regulations; meets as needed
- Library Board - Advises on library operations, programs, and long-term planning
- Historic Preservation Commission - Promotes the protection of historic sites and districts
- Nevada Senior Community Center Board - Supports programming and operations for the Senior Center
- Nevada Public Arts Advisory Commission - Guides public arts projects and citywide cultural engagement
- City Council (when vacancy) - Elected body responsible for city governance and decision making

Please indicate your area of interest by prioritizing them below. You may fill in as many as you would be interested in.

1st Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

2nd Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

3rd Choice

Nevada Public Arts Commission

4th Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

5th Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

6th Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

7th Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

8th Choice

Public Arts Advisory Commission

Boards generally meet monthly with occasional special meetings. Are there specific days or times you are unavailable?

N/A.

Please describe your qualifications to serve on a board or commission. Please include 1) volunteer community service, 2) leadership development, 3) specific expertise or skills, 4) other valuable experience

1. Member of Alpha Psi Omega- Theta Alpha Phi, volunteered with Montgomery County Mothers of Hearing Impaired Children in Maryland as a peer mentor.
2. Board member at Prairie Flower Children's Center in Ames - Publicity Chair.
3. Expertise in performing arts, arts education, special education, and early childhood education.

Please tell us what brought you to Nevada and your interests in the community.

I'm a 2012 NHS graduate, married to another 2012 NHS graduate with a deep background in the performing arts. After living in Washington, DC for several years with my wife we moved back to Nevada after finding out we were having triplets and needing to be near family. We're all now adjusted and I'd love to bring my background in the arts to the city that's given my family and I so much.

If your application is not the best fit at this time, would you like your application to remain on file until May 30th of the current year?

Yes

Boards & Commissions Volunteer

Today's Date

August 6, 2026

Name

Jenna Goodwin

Address

Home Phone

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Email

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Parks/Recreation/Cemetery Board

3rd Choice

Historic Preservation Commission

4th Choice

Library Board

5th Choice

Any Various Committee (as needed)

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No ongoing repetitive conflicts at this time.

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I've had previous volunteer experience with animal rescue experience and volunteering for events related to my children. While I did not complete my bachelor's degree, I have college education in Criminology. I am a very research and detail-oriented individual in all aspects of my life. I'm a mom who advocates for my children as well as others. My criminology background enables my skills for research and attention to detail in ensuring I am giving the best knowledge or resources I can to a situation. This also allows me to form non-biased opinions when necessary. I have experience with computer technology, community outreach, advocacy, as well as mixed media art skills. As a mom, I have had experiences dealing with children with disabilities and navigating care planning.

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Growing up in Madrid, I knew all about small town living. In high school, I moved to Ames before Senior year and graduated from Ames. As I started a family, I knew Ames was not the atmosphere I wanted my children to grow in but I also knew I wanted a town bigger than Madrid to provide more experiences and opportunities to my children. Despite some of our own family hardships, we have been able to maintain Nevada as my children's hometown, taking pride in it being the only school district they've known. Even if our family might not agree with certain things that happen in Nevada, this is where my children's roots are and as they all enter young adulthood, I will continue to advocate for what I can to improve Nevada not only for our family but future families. I know that volunteering in board or commission will allow me the opportunity to bring insight to whatever task I may have set in front of it and know I can look at how decisions impact all aspects of our community, no matter differences or status.

If your application is not the best fit at this time, would you like your application to remain on file until May 30th of the current year?

Yes

Boards & Commissions Volunteer

Today's Date

08/11/2026

Name

Cassandra Brower

Address

Home Phone

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Email

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Public Arts Advisory Commission

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I work full-time Monday through Friday, but I generally have flexibility for evening meetings and can plan ahead for scheduled board meetings. I am happy to work around the board's regular meeting schedule whenever possible.

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community service, 2) leadership development, 3) specific expertise or skills, 4) other valuable experience

I would bring a combination of community involvement, professional leadership, education, and service experience to a City board or commission.

I have been involved with the Nevada PTA and have participated in meetings, discussions, and volunteer opportunities supporting local schools and families. My other volunteer experience has included Food at First, Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep as a volunteer photographer, peer health coaching, and leadership and service activities through Alpha Chi Omega and higher education.

Professionally, I have more than ten years of experience across leadership, healthcare, customer service, administration, and community-facing roles. I currently manage operations and employees across multiple hospital locations, including staffing, scheduling, employee development, performance management, problem-solving, policy implementation, and relationships with hospital partners. These responsibilities have strengthened my ability to listen to different perspectives, communicate clearly, analyze information, make thoughtful decisions, and follow through on commitments.

I earned both my bachelor's and master's degrees in Kinesiology from Iowa State University. My educational background has given me a strong interest in health, physical activity, recreation, accessibility, and overall community wellbeing. I am also a professional photographer and small-business owner, which has given me additional experience in the arts, client service, organization, and working independently.

I believe one of my greatest strengths is being able to bring together people, information, and ideas and turn them into practical action. I would bring an open mind, a willingness to learn, and a genuine commitment to serving the residents of Nevada.

Please tell us what brought you to Nevada and your interests in the community.

Nevada is home to me, and I value the sense of community that comes with living in a smaller Iowa town. I have developed an even greater appreciation for Nevada through involvement with our schools, families, local organizations, and community events.

I am especially interested in opportunities that strengthen quality of life for people of all ages—whether through parks and recreation, community programs, the arts, education, or other services that help residents feel connected to where they live. I appreciate that Nevada continues to grow while still maintaining a strong community identity, and I would like to become more directly involved in helping shape that future.

Serving on a board or commission feels like a meaningful next step for me. I want to contribute my professional experience and skills, but I also want to listen and learn from other residents, City staff, and community leaders. I care about Nevada and would be proud to have the opportunity to give back to the community in a more formal way.

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