



Board Member Nomination & Application

Board: SALT LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Date: 4/3/19

Nominated By (if applicable): Blake Thomas

Applicant Name Christopher Collard

Home Address: [redacted] City, State, Zip [redacted]

Work Address: [redacted]

Home Phone: [redacted] Work Phone: [redacted] E-Mail: [redacted]

Would applicant prefer work or home phone/address used as mailing address? home

Salt Lake County Council District #: 2

To find the district you live in go to http://slco.org/council/district-map/ and click the "Interactive Maps" area. Enter your address into the search box to find your County Council representative. Be sure to enter the District representative rather than the "At Large."

I prefer that my personal contact information remain private and protected Yes [checked] No []

Unique qualifications and/or perspectives you would bring to a Board or Commission:

As a resident of the Kearns Metro Township, the county plays a little bit of a larger role in my life than most other residents of Salt Lake County. As a life-long resident of the west side of the valley I have a intimate view of its recent history, its strengths and the areas for improvement. This could be helpful as the Commission plans for the future growth of the west side of the valley. With a master's degree in Public Policy and a specialization in local economics, I have a solid understanding of how city and regional economies grow. In addition, in my role as a research analyst at Utah Foundation, I have had the opportunity of interviewing dozens of local economic development officials, providing insight on how cities and counties try to encourage that economic growth. Also, in my role at Utah Foundation I was the primary author of an award-winning series of reports on taxes in Utah, which demonstrate the depth and breadth of my familiarity with how local governments are funded in Utah. Additional research projects in which I have participated, such as the Utah Priorities Project and the Utah Quality of Life Index have also provided insight regarding what people are looking for as they build and improve their communities.

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Are you a current member of another county board? Yes No

If yes, board/commission _____

Have you ever been a member of a board or commission in the county? Yes No

If yes, board/commission _____ Dates: _____

Are you or any member of your immediate family a county employee? Yes No

If yes, explain _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No

If yes, explain _____

Demographics (*optional*)

The information on this section is for statistical purposes and is confidential.

Gender 

Age Range    

Race/Ethnicity (please check all that apply)

American Indian/Alaska Native

Asian/Pacific Islander

Black/African American

Hispanic/Latino

White/Caucasian

Other (please specify)

Represent a special community? _____

Forward this application and nomination to the contact below with a resume:

Salt Lake County Planning Coordinator

Wendy Gurr

2001 S. State Street, # N3-600

Salt Lake City, Utah 84190

Email: wgurr@slco.org

Christopher W. Collard

EDUCATION

- University of Utah**, Salt Lake City, UT 2015
Master of Public Policy, emphasis in local and state economics
- Brigham Young University**, Provo, UT 2013
B.A., International Relations, minors in Arabic and Math, Additional study in econometric analysis

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Utah Foundation** 2014 - Present
Research Analyst
- Authored 17 reports and 19 shorter analyses regarding public policy issues in Utah, from tax burden to art education
 - Won two national research awards for Distinguished Research and Effective Education from the Governmental Research Association.
 - Publicized research findings in dozens of media interviews, forums, conferences
 - Formulated statistical analysis on four large statewide surveys and incorporated customized data from publicly available national surveys such as PUMS, CPS, and BFRSS
 - Designed and coded eight interactive web graphics and numerous static graphics to help readers intuitively understand complex data sets
- CBRE** 2013–2014
Researcher
- Co-authored two of the semi-annual Economic Outlooks for Salt Lake County published by CBRE and the Salt Lake Chamber
 - Pioneered new data collection strategies utilizing Excel and VBA to collect and investigate data on investments in 30 million sq. ft. of commercial space along the Wasatch Front
 - Designed and authored semiannual reports on investment activity on the Wasatch Front
- Global Management Center, Marriott School of Management** 2010–2013
Student Advisor
- Spearheaded the 6th Annual National BYU Business Language Case Competition
 - Analyzed the relationship between study abroad programs and graduation rates
 - Assisted in creating a 38% increase of Marriott School students who studied abroad
 - Collaborated in the development, marketing, and logistics of over 20 study abroad programs

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Econometric Analysis: Proficient in Stata, familiar with R, SAS, and SPSS
- Microsoft Office: Excel master, including programming VBA macros.
- Rudimentary HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.
- Fluent in English and Portuguese, proficient in Arabic, and basic competency in Spanish



Board Appointment Approval

Jennifer Wilson
Mayor

Erin Litvack
Deputy Mayor, County
Services

Darrin Casper
Deputy Mayor, Finance
& Administration

Catherine Kanter
Deputy Mayor, Regional
Operations

On the 21st day of May 2019 the Salt Lake County Council consents to the appointment of Mr. Christopher Collard as an Alternate member on the *Salt Lake County Planning Commission*.

His three-year term will begin June 1, 2019 and end May 31, 2022.

Salt Lake County Council

Councilman Richard Snelgrove
Chair, Salt Lake County Council

Attest:

Sherrie Swensen, County Clerk

Please instruct the Council Clerk to return this form to Anna Vukin-Chow in the Mayor's Office, N2- 100 to process this appointment.