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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION (P&Z)

All information provided in this application is public information pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Public Information Act.

The Planning and Zoning Commission approves or disapproves plats of proposed subdivisions; reviews and makes recommendations on the zoning of land; annually submits an annexation plan and a 5-year capital improvements plan; drafts rules and regulations governing platting and subdividing of land and recommends them to the City Council for adoption; amends the comprehensive plan for the physical development of the City and recommends the comprehensive plan to the City Council for approval. The Planning and Zoning Commission is composed of 7 regular members serving two-year terms.

Candidates are required to be registered voters of the City and to have resided within the corporate limits for at least twelve months preceding the appointment and must not be employed by or hold any other position in the City's government. All appointments are made by and at the discretion of the City Council. Because vacancies may arise before the next regular appointment period, all applications are kept on file until the next application period.

Name: Lisa Ely Telephone:

Residential Address: 401 Meadow Creek Drive, PF, TX 78660

E-mail Address: Alternate Telephone:

Resident of the City of Pflugerville for 4 years.

Are you are a registered voter of the City of Pflugerville? Yes Voter Registration No.

Have you attended a meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission? Yes

Does any potential conflict of interest exist which may interfere or inhibit you to carry out the duties of a Planning and Zoning Commissioner? No (If Yes, please explain.)

What special skill or knowledge would you bring to the Commission?

I bring the knowledge of someone outside the industry. I have a unique perspective because I see things from outside in. I enjoy listening to both sides of an issue and helping to determine what is best for the community as a whole.

What are your thoughts or philosophy on Pflugerville's growth and its future?

Growth has to happen in order for Pflugerville to sustain and continue to grow. That being said, the growth has to be smart growth geared toward our mission as a community. Growth has to be sustainable which is something we have struggled with in the past. The businesses we have in Pflugerville need to compliment the needs of the residents. That's the only real way they can sustain these businesses.

What do you see as the most significant planning-related issue to the City (short term and long term) and how do you think the Commission could help to provide solutions?

The biggest challenge is keeping our residents working and shopping in our city. The city has and will continue to work on our long-term goals and plans with the Pflugerville 2030 plan. We have given the future a lot of

thought and need to make sure the document remains a living document and be open and ready to change as the needs arise in years to come.

What do you feel are some of the factors, both positive and negative, which go into making a residential neighborhood a "good place to live?"

Neighborhoods are indicative of the people who live there. A good neighborhood consists of people who care about issues and are willing to be involved. Whether those issues are helping out a neighbor or attending a City Council meeting are secondary. The ability to be part of the solution is critical.

What do you feel are some factors, positive and negative, that contribute to a good commercial or industrial area?

Careful placement of commercial and industrial areas is very important. They should complement the existing land use so that impact on residents is minimal. There needs to be a careful balance of industrial. Being along a major thoroughfare makes Pflugerville a more attractive city to have a business in. We do, however, need to be careful that we don't turn Pflugerville into a major industrial area thereby infringing on our quality of life as we know it today. We need a balance of residential, employment, commercial and industrial opportunities in the city. It's all about economics – supply and demand. We have to have businesses who are ready to sell and residents who are willing and able to buy.

Please provide any additional information you feel would be useful to the City Council in considering your application. Please use additional sheets as necessary. A cover letter and/or resume may also be submitted with the application.

I have learned a lot over the last 4 years while being on the commission and would like to continue learning. I have learned about the planning and zoning industry from my fellow commissioners, our Planning Department as well as our residents.

By signing this application, I hereby affirm that I am aware of the requirements for the position and certify that I meet those requirements.

Applicant Signature: Lisa Eby

Date: October 10, 2012