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DATE: July 14, 2023

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra

SUBJECT: Appointments/Reappointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please find the attached appointments/reappointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Urban Forestry Commission

Jordan Friede, 49 Beacon St., Florence

Term: July 2023 – June 2026

New Appointment



**City of
Northampton**

Mayor of Northampton Mass. <mayor@northamptonma.gov>

Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment and Reappointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com>
To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

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Application for Appointment and Reappointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: mayor@northamptonma.gov or Gina-Louise Sciarra, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

Boards and Committees	Urban Forestry Commission
First Name	Jordan
Last Name	Friede
Title/ Preferred Pronouns	he/him
Address1	49 Beacon St.
Address2	<i>Field not completed.</i>
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Work Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Cell Phone	860 480 9883
Occupation & Place of Employment	Director of Landscape Operations, KNOX, Inc.
Email	jordanfriede8@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	9.5 Months
Age	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Sex	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Racial / Ethnic Background	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>
What skills and experience will you bring to this	ISA Certified Arborist and Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ) #PD 0194-A. Bachelor's degree in Horticulture. 30+

committee assignment? years experience in Public Horticulture and Urban Forestry, including 3 years with the Central Park Conservancy, 9 years teaching woody plants and related courses at Temple University, and additional positions in Philadelphia, lower Manhattan and Hartford CT. I have been a contractor, directed contractors, led volunteers, worked with tree inventories, co-created, reviewed, and made recommendations on management plans, worked collaboratively and cross-functionally in complex, high-use urban settings to optimize the urban forest, and am a life-long learner! Thanks for your consideration.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? No

Please list other city committees you have served on *Field not completed.*

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree.

The filing of this form does not guarantee my appointment. An application is kept on file for two (2) years; after that I must file a new application. Being appointed to a committee, board, or commission means that I am considered a Municipal Employee under MGL Chapter 268A and thereby subject to Conflict of Interest Law MGL Chapter 268A, Financial Disclosure Law MGL Chapter 268B, as well as Open Meeting Law MGL Chapter 39: Section 23B. I understand that I will take the conflict of interest test after being appointed and that I also must be sworn in by the City Clerk. I will contact the appointing authority with any questions about my service. Important: Once this form is submitted it becomes a public document, if there is information you do not want open to the public please do not include it on this form.

Signature Jordan Friede

Date 6/6/2023

Post Application Submission Process

Thank you for taking the time to submit an application to serve on one of the many volunteer city boards, committees, and commissions.

The Mayor's office staff reviews the application and determines if a vacancy exists on desired board, committee, or commission. If no vacancy exists, your application is put on file for two years for consideration at a later date. If a vacancy exists, the application is sent to the board, committee, or commission staff person for a review of experience and qualifications. In some cases, you may be contacted and asked to attend a meeting of the board, committee, or commission to better confirm your interest.

After the Mayor's staff reviews your application, Mayor Sciarra will consider your application and schedule a brief telephone interview. At this time, Mayor Sciarra will

make her final decision about your appointment.

Once the Mayor has submitted your name as an appointee to City Council at their next meeting, the City Council will refer the appointment to their Committee on City Services where you will be further vetted. After you are approved by the Committee on City Services, your appointment will be referred back to the City Council for a confirmation vote. After you are confirmed by the City Council, you will receive an appointment letter from the City Clerk's office with instructions on being sworn in for public service. After being sworn in by the City Clerk, you are ready to serve on your board, committee, or commission.

The process for appointment from submitting an application to official acceptance can take 2-3 months and is not guaranteed with the submission of an application. The Mayor appoints members to her boards, committees, or commissions at her discretion.

If you have any questions about this process or your application. Please reach out to Mayor Sciarra's assistant, Rachel Messier, at rmessier@northamptonma.gov or 413-587-1080.

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