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Gavin Buckley, Mayor
160 Duke of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401-2517

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To: Alderspersons, City of Annapolis

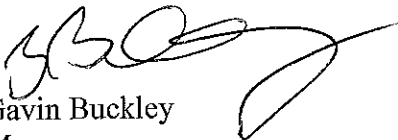
From: Mayor Gavin Buckley

Re: Planning Commission

Pending your approval, I would like to appoint **Alex Pline** to the **Planning Commission**.
Ms. Pline's resume and application are attached.

Alex Pline
305 Monterey
Annapolis, MD 21401

Sincerely,



Gavin Buckley
Mayor

Reviewed by: Economic Matters

_____ Favorable

_____ Unfavorable

Committee Chair

Date



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Boards and Commissions Application

Personal information

Name Alex Pline
Address 305 Monterey Avenue
City Annapolis ST MD Zip 21401
Phones Home _____ Other 443-510-7297
E-mail alex@teampline.org

Statement of interest – Why should you be appointed to this board/commission?

See Attached.

Are you a resident of the City of Annapolis? Yes No

Are you an employee of the City of Annapolis? Yes No
If yes, please state your job title, department & duties.

Do you do business with the City of Annapolis? Yes No
If yes, please detail.

Are you currently serving on any city boards or commissions? Yes No
If yes, please list board(s).

Transportation Board (Chair)

Work experience (titles and duties)

See attached.

Educational background (certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc)

See attached.

Other experience (volunteer experience, memberships etc)

Annapolis Transportation Board (2103-present)

Member Anne Arundel County Pedestrian/Bike Citizen Advisory Committee (2013)

Co-Chair Anne Arundel County Transportation Commission (2014)

Member Anne Arundel County Transportation Commission (2017-present)

Founders Circle, Strong Towns, and organization that supports a model of development that allows America's cities, towns and neighborhoods to become financially strong and resilient (2012-present)

Co-Founder and Vice President of Bicycle Advocates for Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, an all volunteer organization promoting bicycling for transportation, recreation and fitness (2013-present)

I have written numerous articles on urbanism and transportation, which are listed at <https://teampline.org/> and see my statement of interest for additional information.

References

Name Chris Trumbauer Phone 410-222-1401

Address 44 Calvert Street, Annapolis MD 21401

Name Philip Richmond Phone 410-268-0908

Address 142 Monticello Ave, Annapolis MD 21401

Name Jon Korin Phone 443-685-4103

Address 125 Hillcrest Ln, Severna Park, MD 21146

Appointees are subject to the provisions of the City of Annapolis Ethics Code, Annapolis City Code Chapter 2.08. Appointees are strongly encouraged to review this Code and contact the City of Annapolis Office of Law and/or City of Annapolis Ethics Commission with all inquiries.

Signature  Date 1/19/2018

E-mail electronically completed form to constituents@annapolis.gov. Paper copies may be faxed to 410-216-8284 or mailed to the Mayor's Office address above, attention Boards and Commissions Coordinator.

Statement of Interest in the Planning Commission – Alex Pline

In my more than twenty years as a resident, I have come to see Annapolis as a diverse, vibrant, small city in and of itself, not just a bedroom community of Washington or Baltimore. It offers a wonderful quality of life to residents with its compact mix of urban/commercial areas and walkable neighborhoods. These are the strengths of the City and are primary goals outlined in the Comprehensive Plan. As a member of the Planning Commission, I would work to further those goals.

While I have no formal training in city planning, I am an informal student of “new urbanism” – an urban planning/design movement which promotes a traditional pattern of human scaled, walkable urban areas and neighborhoods. In fact I am planning on pursuing a planning degree upon my retirement from NASA. The specific area I am interested in is the nexus of land use and transportation, which I see is a major issue as further development occurs in the City. These are flip sides of the same coin; choices in one affect the other – and vice versa – often in counterintuitive ways.

I am very interested in seeing development in Annapolis that allows the City to grow in a fiscally and environmentally sustainable way while at the same time maintaining its historic nature. I believe development that is good for the City requires a holistic view taking into account land use, transportation, lifecycle costs for supporting City infrastructure and historic preservation where appropriate. My engineering background, experience with local transportation issues and keen interest in city planning allows me to bring this holistic view to the Planning Commission.

Select Transportation/Urbanism Writing and Podcasts

“A new way to look at development and planning with Alex Pline (E-66)”, The Maryland Crabs Podcast, December 12, 2017, <https://teampline.org/2017/12/29/a-new-way-to-look-at-development-and-planning-with-alex-pline-e-66/>

“Alex Pline Talks Parking, Transportation and Biking in Annapolis (E-31)”, The Maryland Crabs Podcast, March 30, 2017, <https://teampline.org/2017/03/30/alex-pline-talks-parking-transportation-and-biking-in-annapolis/>

“Anne Arundel can escape its growth Ponzi scheme”, The Capital, September 18, 2016, <http://www.capitalgazette.com/opinion/columns/ph-ac-ce-becoming-the-best-pline-20160918-story.html>

“Raising the Interest and Reducing the Concern”, Strong Towns, October 17, 2016, <https://www.strongtowns.org/journal/2016/10/14/raising-the-interest-and-reducing-the-concern>

“Why I Ride A Bike”, Strong Towns, May 18, 2016 <https://www.strongtowns.org/journal/2016/5/18/why-i-ride-a-bike>

“Does West Street Need a Taco Bell?”, Statement to the Annapolis Board Of Appeals, June 2, 2015, <https://teampline.org/2015/06/02/does-west-street-need-a-taco-bell/>

“Traditional Street Grids are the Answer For Future Growth In Annapolis, November 4, 2014, <https://teampline.org/2014/11/04/traditional-street-grids-are-the-answer-for-future-growth-in-annapolis/>

“Thoughts on outer West Street development”, The Capital, July 28, 2014, <http://www.capitalgazette.com/opinion/columns/cg-guest-column-thoughts-on-outer-west-street-development-20140729,0,2099828.story>

Alexander D. Pline

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

A team oriented, versatile manager with a diverse background and excellent communication skills. Management experience directing and overseeing small and medium sized development projects. Expertise in:

Project Management ✧ Written and Oral Communications
Web-based Applications ✧ Software Development

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Project Management

- Software Development Project Manager:
 - Complete life-cycle management for projects, including, planning, budgets, technology, acquisition, execution, training and operations.
 - Managed team of developers to build and integrate applications.
 - Development of an enterprise Web-based portal for the NASA Exploration Systems Integrated Collaborative Environment.
 - Development of an Executive Dashboard using Web services to integrate display of data from program management and engineering tools.
 - Managed development of an XML-based content management system for Exploration Systems Mission Directorate Web site.
 - Managed Web site content/design for multiple NASA Web sites.
 - Coordinated integration of custom software with commercial-off-the-shelf and open source software.
 - Solution lead for development of requirements and software solutions for NASA program customers.
- NASA Science Manager:
 - Managed NASA Fluid Physics Science Program (approximately \$2.5 mil/yr program); Developed program content, program budgets, and managed program review teams.
 - Successfully managed technical development of a two part experiment to study fluid flows in low gravity aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia in 1992 and 1995.
 - Team leader for the Science Operations Team during mission operations in 1992 and 1995.
 - As independent research projects, successfully developed diagnostic measurement techniques for the Surface Tension Driven Convection Experiment which included infrared imaging and particle image velocimetry.

Communications

- Ability to distill complex technical issues for management and internal/public customers.
- Ability to bridge broad strategic goals and tactical objectives, communicating appropriate background and context to problems, technical concepts and solutions.
- Excellent oral presentation skills: effective use of technology for communications.
- Demonstrated effective communications between programmers, subject matter experts, managers and software vendors.
- Presented projects' status and results regularly to all levels of NASA management.
- Authored/co-authored 27 technical presentations and publications.
- Successfully trained astronauts in Shuttle experiment science and operation.
- Conducted TV interviews during Shuttle mission operations.

Other Technical Skills Include:

- Windows, Apple OSX, Unix/Linux operating systems
- Programming languages/Web technologies (Java, XML, XSLT, Web Services, RSS, HTML, XHTML)
- Server applications and software infrastructure (Apache Projects, J2EE software development, SQL/Oracle databases)
- Web content management and portal frameworks
- Office automation and telecommunication techniques (hardware and software)
- IP-based networking concepts
- PC/Mac graphics software and applications

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC IT Project Manager	8/96-Present
NASA Glenn (Lewis) Research Center, Cleveland, Ohio Project Scientist Research Engineer	8/88-8/96 1/91-8/96 8/88-8/96
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio Resident Research Associate	6/86-8/88

EDUCATION

NASA Professional Development Program	1996-1997
MS Engineering	Case Western Reserve University, 1988
BS Fluid and Thermal Sciences	Case Western Reserve University, 1984

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

- Chair Annapolis Transportation Board (Present)
- Vice President, Bicycle Advocates for Annapolis and Anne Arundel County (2013-Present)
- Co-Chair Anne Arundel County Citizen's Advisory Committee, Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan 2013
- Co-Chair Anne Arundel County Transportation Commission 2013
- NASA Group Achievement, Special Service, Sustained Superior Performance, and Distinguished Publication Awards

PERSONAL INTERESTS/ACTIVITIES

- Hobbies/interests include cycling, sailing, computer/consumer technologies
- Fiscal sustainability of cities and towns and Strong Towns Founding Member (www.strongtowns.org)
- Transportation and land use
- Member USA Cycling and Annapolis Bicycle Racing Team (President 2017-2018)
- Member United States Sailing Association and Snipe Class International Racing Association

References/publication list available upon request