



City of Concord, New Hampshire

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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JIM BOULEY
MAYOR

TO: Members of City Council

FROM: Mayor Bouley

DATE: June 5, 2020

RE: Energy & Environment Advisory Committee Appointments

I propose the appointment of the following individuals to the Energy & Environment Advisory Committee for three year terms expiring June 30, 2023.

- Nicholas Babladelis, 325 Pleasant Street, Concord. Mr. Babladelis's letter of interest attached.
- Jessica Forrest, 18 Kensington Road, Concord. Ms. Forrest's letter of interest attached.

Accordingly, I ask for a suspension of the rules so that these nominations may be affirmed this evening.

Robert Werner
Ward Five Councilor
City of Concord
82 Hooksett Turnpike
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Counselman Werner,

I am writing to express my interest in serving the City as a member of the Concord Energy and Environment committee. As a professional working in this domain, I believe I have expertise and perspective that will aid the committee's work. Serving as St. Paul's School Environmental Steward I oversee reporting and progress toward our own renewable energy, emissions, and climate targets. In this work I must also be engaged on issues of waste handling and diversion, land use, biodiversity, sustainable agriculture, and pedagogical frameworks around environmental literacy and education for sustainability. As a resident of Concord, I have a strong desire to support the City in its leadership on climate, energy, and the environment.

Thank you for considering me for the committee.

Best,

Nicholas Babladelis
325 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301
(603) 229-4612

18 Kensington Road
Concord, NH 03301

March 9, 2020

City Councilor Robert Werner
Chair, Concord Energy and Environment Advisory Committee
41 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Councilor Werner,

I write with interest in joining the Concord Energy and Environment Advisory Committee (CEEAC). With the committee's approval, I hope to formalize my relationship with the CEEAC that has developed over the past 16 months.

In December 2018, I began work with the CEEAC as a volunteer on the strategic planning effort towards Concord's 100% renewable energy goal. My tasks included meeting with stakeholders, contributing written material to the plan, and presenting at and/or helping to coordinate the three stakeholder meetings that occurred during the first half of 2019. I also coordinated the CEEAC's presence at Market Days 2019 and developed informational materials.

During this time, I also initiated the development of a draft carbon footprint overview for the community. More recently, with colleagues from the CEEAC and support from the City of Concord, I have been developing a collaboration with the UNH Sustainability Institute to improve this work. Specifically, we will have the assistance of a Sustainability Fellow this summer, who I look forward to helping to mentor along with others from the city.

The CEEAC is an incredible group of skilled professionals who I would be honored to join. I hope to complement the committee with my expertise in the environmental sciences. I have worked in the conservation field in the past, using spatial analysis to plan strategies for climate change mitigation (through the restoration of land-based carbon stocks) and adaptation. I believe this experience helped me to gain an appreciation of the overlap between the CEEAC's work and related open space and tree cover values in Concord. I have strong project management experience, and I have led the development of capacity building and networking programs and websites. Perhaps this will be useful towards the communications priority of the committee. In the past few years, I have focused more heavily on topics of corporate sustainability and the renewable energy transition.

Thank you for considering my interest, and I hope I can be of service to the CEEAC and progress towards the City of Concord's goals.

Sincerely,



Jessica Forrest