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## Application Form--Open Space Advisory Committee Application

### Information for Applicants

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Thanks for your interest!

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Applications are due February 12, 2021 by 5 p.m. Interviews will be conducted as a ZOOM webinar. The City Clerk Office will contact you to schedule an interview.

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Please note: All applications are included in City Council packets and published on the City website.

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### Position

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Where do you live? I live in City limits

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How long have you been a city resident? 38 years

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Which ward do you reside in? 4

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### Contact Information

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Name: Kit H Fischer

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Email: KHFISCHER@GMAIL.COM

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Daytime Phone: 4062413121

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Alternate Contact Phone: *Field not completed.*

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Street Address: 116 Sentinel St.

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City, State: MISSOULA

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Zip: 59801

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Is your street address the same as your mailing address? Yes

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### Background

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Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes

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Are you registered to vote?	Yes
Current Occupation:	Director of Wildlife Programs
Current Employer:	National Wildlife Federation
If you'd like, you can attach a resume or other document for the City Council to consider.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Briefly describe your educational background:	I grew up in Missoula and graduated from Hellgate High School in 2001, graduated college (Colorado College) in 2005 with a BA in English/ Journalism, immediately after college went into the Peace Corps.
List of community service experience:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Board member, Hellgate Hunters and Anglers 2013-2021 (President 2015-2017)</li> <li>-Citizen Advisory Committee Member, Montana FWP Region 2 (term 2020-2024)</li> <li>-FWP Reg 2 FWP Elk Advisory Committee(2019)</li> <li>-Five Valley's Land Trust Mount Dean Stone Advisory Committee (2018-2021)</li> </ul>
What is your interest in serving on this board, commission, or committee?	Missoula's Open Space Program has proven an extremely succesful model for balancing the needs of recreation, natural spaces, wildlife and development. There is no question as Missoula's population continues to grow, the challenges of balancing open space, recreational needs and conservation concerns will become only more pronounced. My interest in serving on this committee is ensuring that balance is maintained and the City continues to purchase key pieces of property that are in the best interest of Missoula citizens and taxpayers who funded the open space bond. It is difficult to place a value on open space, but clearly it has come to define Missoula and attracts business, students and is central to our way of life. As I am starting a family of my own, I want to ensure the qualities that have kept me in Missoula are here for my children to enjoy in the future.
Do you have any special knowledge, interest, or experience that would qualify you for a position on this board, commission, or committee?	I have worked for National Wildlife Federation for over a decade, focusing on community organizing, wildlife livestock/ conflicts, federal land planning and wildlife migration and connectivity. In my role with NWF, I negotiate often complicated agreements with ranchers across the west regarding public land grazing rights. In addition, I manage NWF's 660 acre property in the North Hills between Grant Creek and Sawmill Gulch. I am familiar with the process of land easements, have working relationships with Five Valleys Land Trust, US Forest Service, and Montana Fish,

Wildlife and Parks. I believe I could provide an important perspective relative to wildlife values in a rapidly growing urban interface.

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## References

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Please provide two references.

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### Reference 1

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Name: Tom [REDACTED]

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Phone: [REDACTED]

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### Reference 2

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Name: Liz [REDACTED]

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Phone: [REDACTED]

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If you'd prefer, you can mail or deliver your completed application and attachments to:

City Clerk Office

435 Ryman St.

Missoula, MT 59802

\*Please note the City Clerk Office is currently closed to the public. There is a drop box located at the entrance to City Hall where you can place your materials.

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