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Application

Status	New	Council Resolution Number	
Notes			

Board Information

Board Name	Colfax Business Improvement District Board of Directors	Original Start Date	
		End Date	
		Other boards or commissions served	

Work Information

Employer	[REDACTED]	Work Address	[REDACTED]
Position	[REDACTED] r	Work City	[REDACTED]
Business Phone #	[REDACTED]	Work State	CO
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Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	[REDACTED]	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	N/A	Registered Lobbyist	No
Conflict of Interest Explanation		Conflict of Interest	No

Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	████████████████████	Name of Graduate School	
Location of High School	██████████	Location of Graduate School	
# of Years Attended High school	█	# of Years Attended Graduate School	
Did you Graduate High School	█	Did you Graduate	
		Graduate Major	
Name of College	████████████████████		
Location of College	██████████		
# of Years Attended College	█		
Did you Graduate College	Yes		
Undergrad Major			

Reference Details

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Notes & Attachments

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Upon finishing high school I pursued a Fine Art degree in New York City, and completed my degree at UNM in Albuquerque where I grew up. With an education and background in art and art history, I secured a job managing an art gallery in the West Loop in Chicago in 2016. When that gallery closed in 2018, I relocated from Chicago to Denver to assist my now partner in opening a unique retail and gallery space to house his fledgling oddities business, The Learned Lemur. Thankfully the first run at a retail space didn't go to plan, and we ended up without a brick and mortar to support when Covid hit.

Once things had settled with the pandemic, we tried again to look for a retail location and were lucky enough to come across the beautiful space we have at 2220 E. Colfax now. We now have a beautiful storefront in an historic Denver building and neighborhood, a venue to host events and build community in the neighborhood, the option to support local artists and creatives, and awesome access to local tourism and other local businesses. We could not have found a better location to grow our business and build upon our dreams!

The growth I have achieved with my partner and our business, as well as all the potential for future growth and further achievements, is so fulfilling and exciting. Coming from the position of managing a high-brow gallery owned by someone very wealthy to building out and curating our retail/gallery space on our own, much smaller dime was a big change with a lot of challenges. Despite the difficulties, the opportunity to build our very own space which has the ability to support burgeoning local artists and the creative community at large has been such an incredible and rewarding experience. In the 2.5 years we have been in our space on Colfax we have hosted 26 sold-out shows supporting a cast of over 40 performing artists, dozens of markets which support 20+ local artists each and attract hundreds of local community members, worked with one of Denver's best muralists to have a massive piece inspired by some of Denver's most famous artworks installed on our building, and continued to pursue a variety successful partnerships with other local businesses and institutions.

Keeping both unusual history and local art alive within our shop is exactly what we had envisioned when all of this was just a sanguine potentiality; housing Denver's best collection of odd and unusual in a space where we can also host events and build community, in a perfect home right on Colfax where it's a little weird. It's exactly where we were meant to be.