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Board Application

Board Applying For: Independence Historic Preservation & Resource Commission

Name: Darin Axthelm

Date: 1/4/2021

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Email Address: [REDACTED]

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Educational Background:

High School Name and Location: Glenwood Springs High School, Glenwood Springs, CO

Graduated/Degree: High School Diploma

College Name and Location: University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

Graduated/Degree: 1990/BA Social Sciences & Communication

Major: History & International Relations

Other Education Name and Location: *Field not completed.*

Graduated/Degree: *Field not completed.*

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Do you reside inside the corporate limits of the City of Independence? Yes

If no, do you reside within 3 miles of the corporate limits of the City of Independence? *Field not completed.*

What experiences have you had that you feel would assist you as a board member?

I have an abiding interest in history. Consuming a well-written history has been my preferred way to relax since childhood. Since graduating from college I've put my love of history to work researching real estate titles, eventually owning a title company and researching oil and gas title across the western United States. This involved working with builders, attorneys, oil and gas companies, realtors and lenders. I developed a good sense for reading markets, understanding project viability, the economics of real estate, legal principles and regulatory compliance. I have also purchased and rehabilitated several old homes and put that experience to work professionally for several years when I was a partner in an equipment rental and construction company. This work gave me an appreciation for the engineering, work and expense involved in projects that may seem simple on the surface.

Why do you want to become a member of the board?

I want to contribute to civic life and think that my skill-set lends itself to this particular role.

We moved here five years ago, largely unaware of how fortuitous our move was. Since I traveled for work it took me a while to learn something about the area's history, get to know some people and appreciate just how special this town is. I no longer need to travel for work and am looking for ways to contribute and be more active in the community. I would welcome the chance to help preserve what makes Independence special.

Do you feel that there are any issues needing immediate attention by the board? If so, please explain.

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Other comments:

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