Town of Danvers Talent Pool

“Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year; but, when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.” Author Unknown

Danvers relies on the efforts of volunteers to serve on boards and commissions that, collectively, are responsible for preserving and enhancing the quality of life enjoyed by all residents and visitors to the community. The Danvers Talent Pool is a means of identifying residents (18 years and older) who are interested in serving the community on a Town committee, board, or commission. Please refer to the back of the sheet for a listing and brief description of various boards and committees in Danvers. (Note: An electronic version of this form is available online at www.danversma.gov under “Residents”) Please note also that, if no vacancies exist at present, your application will be kept on file for future consideration. Thank you for volunteering to serve your community.

Information
Name __________________________________________ Address __________________________________________

Best Phone: □ Cell □ Office □ Home ___________________________ E-mail ___________________________

Current Employer: ___________________________ Job Title: ___________________________

Committees/Boards/Commissions of interest:________________________________________________________

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Relevant training, experience, qualifications, and/or interest__________________________________________

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Prior Committee/Board/Commission and/or Town Meeting experience:

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References (2) Please do not list Town Manager, Board of Selectmen or Town Moderator

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Name ___________________________ Job Title ___________________________ Relationship ____________ Phone ____________

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Elected by Town Meeting (1-yr terms)

River Committee: Advises on matters pertaining to protection, preservation and enhancement of the river [Monthly second Thurs., PM, excepting February & March]

Board of Selectmen Appointments

Historic District Commission: Administers the Historic District General By-law [Monthly]

Danvers Affordable Housing Trust: The Trust works to promote and support the creation of affordable housing units. [Monthly on third Thursday (PM), excepting Jul. & Aug.]

Diversity Committee: The committee works to establish avenues of communication and promote bridge-building for combatting discrimination, prejudice, and intolerance. [Monthly on third Thursday (PM), excepting Jul. & Aug.]

Beverly Airport Commission: Represents Town’s interests as they relate to the business of Bev. Municipal Airport [Monthly, PM]

Cable TV Advisory Committee: Assists Town in negotiations (e.g. licensing) with cable providers [quarterly, PM; or as required]

Board of Registrars: Assists Town with voter registration, certification of elections [As required]

Zoning Board of Appeals: Hears appeals to property use decisions [Monthly]

Town Moderator Appointments

Finance Committee: Reviews annual Town budget and Warrant Articles [Meets multiple times on consecutive evenings during budget & Warrant Article review period]

Essex N.S. Regional/Tech School: Sits as Danvers’ representative to Essex Tech School Committee; [Monthly according to School Committee schedule]

Town Manager Appointments

Council on Aging: Assists in coordinating programs designed to meet needs of elderly [Monthly]

Board of Health: Promotes public health, investigates health or environmental problems [Monthly, P.M.]

Planning Board: Considers and advises upon municipal improvements; reviews TM warrant articles relating to land development, zoning, etc. [Monthly, P.M.]

Rail Trail Committee: Advises the Town on matters pertaining to rail trail and participates in improvements and/or maintenance activities [Monthly or more frequently spring/summer]

Conservation Commission: Protects Town’s natural resources in accordance with State law and Wetlands Protection by-law; acts as trustees of Town’s conservation land [Twice monthly, PM]

Cultural Council: Seeks grant opportunities for the Town to enhance artistic programs [Quarterly, PM]

Disability Committee: Promotes efforts to enhance accessibility at Town venues [As needed, AM]

Board of Assessors: Provides valuation of all real estate/personal property; hears appeals in these categories along with motor vehicle excise [Monthly or as needed]

Preservation Commission: Administers Chapter 29 of Town By-laws; advises Town concerning the issuance of permits for demolition, removal, or relocation of significant buildings and structures. [Monthly on third Tuesday, P.M.]

Recreation Committee: Assists with coordination of recreational activities; [Monthly, PM]

Municipal Light Board: Reviews policies/rates; hears appeals [Monthly, AM]

Water/ Sewer Commission: Reviews policies and rates; hears appeals [Monthly, PM]

Elected by Registered Voters

There are various boards and committees whose members are chosen by the electorate such as Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Library Trustees, Town Meeting members, and Housing Authority. For information on any of these elected positions, please refer questions to the Town Clerk’s Office at Town Hall [978-777-0001 x3046].