

# TOWN OF FAIRFAX STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Mayor, Members of the Town Council      **DATE:** March 6, 2013  
**FROM:** Judy Anderson, Town Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Interview and appointment of candidate(s) to the Planning Commission for a full four-year term to February 28, 2017

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## **Recommendation**

Interview Roxanne Ezzet-Lofstrom and appoint her to serve on the Planning Commission for a full four-year term to February 28, 2017.

## **Discussion**

The application for this candidate is the only one received for the current vacancy on the Planning Commission due to the expiration of the term of Peter Lacques. The Notice of Vacancy has been posted since January 24, 2013. Ms. Ezzet-Lofstrom currently serves on the Affordable Housing Committee.

## **Fiscal Impact**

None

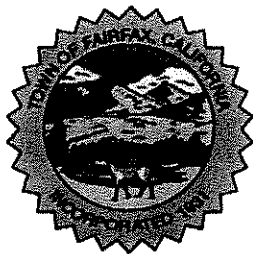
## **Attachments**

Application for Roxanne Ezzet-Lofstrom

AGENDA ITEM # 5

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**TOWN OF FAIRFAX  
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO  
BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE**

TO: Mayor and Fairfax Town Council

Date: 2/23/2013

Please consider this as an application for appointment to:

- Affordable Housing Committee
- Cittaslow Committee
- Design Review Board
- General Plan Implementation Committee
- Measure I Oversight Committee
- Measure K Oversight Committee
- Open Space Committee
- Planning Commission
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Volunteer Board
- Youth Commission
- Other

(Your completed application will become a public record upon submittal to the Town)

Name: Roxanne Erzet-Lofstrom

Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone: (Office) \_\_\_\_\_ Home/Cell: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Number of Years in Fairfax: 4 1/2 yrs

Education PhD - Urban & Regional Planning  
MA. Applied Sociology  
BA. Applied Math BA. Economics

Please list the names of professional societies, clubs, and other organizations to which you belong.  
Urban Affairs Assn, American Planning Assn,  
Assn of Collegiate Schools of Planning

Briefly describe your employment background. Faculty - teaching  
urban planning classes, research  
on planning + housing topics

What is your vision for the Town of Fairfax? Preserve character  
of town, but allow for updates + modernization.  
Improve circulation. Promote economic  
development - keep tax dollars local.

Please describe possible areas of conflict of interest. Development  
in marinda oaks neighborhood - homeowner

Briefly explain your interest in serving on this Board, Commission, or Committee. \_\_\_\_\_  
Would enjoy lending my professional  
expertise to my town. Analytical,  
methodical + good knowledge  
of planning issues

Signature 

**Please return this completed, signed form to:**

**Town Clerk, Town of Fairfax, 142 Bolinas Road, Fairfax, CA 94930**

**12/11**

**Roxanne Ezzet-Lofstrom, Ph.D.**

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Fairfax, CA 94930

(415) 871-5998

email: roxanne.ezzet@gmail.com

**EDUCATION**

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- Ph.D. University of California at Irvine, Urban and Regional Planning  
Dissertation: *Metropolitan Quality of Life: The Roles of Labor Markets, Land Markets, and Amenities*
- M.A. San Diego State University, Sociology (Applied Research Methods)
- B.A. University of California at San Diego, Applied Mathematics
- B.A. University of California at San Diego, Economics (Management Science)

**ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

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- Fall 2013 – Present *Adjunct Faculty*, Environmental Studies and Planning Department, Sonoma State University, Sonoma, CA
- 2008 – Present *Adjunct Faculty*, Urban and Regional Planning Department, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA
- 2002-2007 *Assistant Professor of Geography and Public Policy*, School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences, University of Texas at Dallas.

**RESEARCH AFFILIATION**

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- 2008-2010 *Research Affiliate*, Solimar Research Group, Ventura, CA
- 2005-2006 *Peggy Anschutz Housing & Economic Development Fellow*, J. McDonald Williams Institute, Dallas, TX.
- 2002-2007 *Faculty Associate*, Bruton Center for Development Studies, School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- 2013 *YES Board, Technology Liaison*, Yes – Ross Valley Schools Foundation, San Anselmo, CA
- 2012 *Consultant*, Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City, MO
- 2011 – Present *Superintendent's Roundtable Advisory Committee* – Manor Elementary School Representative, Ross Valley School District, San Anselmo, CA
- 2011 – Present *Co-President, Manor PTA* – Manor Elementary School, Fairfax, CA
- 2010 – Present *Affordable Housing Committee* – Town of Fairfax, CA

1998-2002 *Teaching Assistant* – Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of California at Irvine

1998 *Research Assistant* – Comprehensive Tobacco Policy Model, University of California at Irvine

1995-1999 *Investigator/Research Associate* – Child and Adolescent Services Research Center, San Diego, CA

Projects:

- Medicaid Changes: Impact on At Risk Children, 1997-1999
- United States Air Force New Parent Support Program, 1997-1999
- Patterns of Youth Mental Health Care in Public Service Systems, 1996-1999
- San Diego County Mental Health Services Managed Care Research Project, 1996-1997
- San Diego Healthy Families America Clinical Trial, 1995-1999
- United States Marine/Army New Parent Support Program, 1995-1996

1994-1996 *Research Associate* – San Diego McKinney Demonstration Project for the Homeless

1989-1993 *Operations Manager* – Bank of America Financial Services, San Diego CA

#### **OTHER VOLUNTEER POSITIONS**

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2011, 2012 *Manor Lead*, YES Online Auction Fundraising, Ross Valley School District

2009-2010 *Co-Director*, Social Committee, Ross Valley Mothers Club, Marin, CA

2008-2011 *Steering Committee*, Ross Valley Mothers Club, Marin, CA

2008 *Kids Activity Committee*, Golden Gate Mothers Group, San Francisco, CA

#### **TEACHING**

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Graduate:

Urban and Regional Development Policy Analysis  
Urban Development/Urban Economics  
Evaluation Research Methods in the Social Sciences

Undergraduate:

Urban Planning and Policy (satisfies upper division writing requirement)  
Urban Growth and Structure  
Urban and Regional Planning  
Real Estate Economics and Finance

#### **REFEREED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

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Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. "Out-Migration Decisions: The Role of Regional Amenities," Revise and resubmit at *Journal of Geographical Systems*

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. and J. Murdoch (2006) "The Effect of Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Units on Residential Property Values in Dallas County," *Williams Review*, Vol. 1, No. 1: 107-124.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2006) "Amenity Valuation and Migration Behavior," in Carruthers, J.I. and Mundy, B. (Editors) *Environmental Valuation: Intraregional and Interregional Perspectives*, Aldershot: Ashgate.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2004) "Valuation of Metropolitan Quality of Life in Wages and Rents," *Cityscape: A Journal of Policy Development and Research*, Vol. 7, No. 1: 23-39.

Leslie, L.K., Landsverk, J.L., Ezzet-Lofstrom, R., Tschann, J.M., Slymen, D., Garland, A. (2000) "Children in Foster Care: Predictors of Outpatient Mental Health Service Use," *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 24: 465-476.

Aarons, G.A., Brown, S.A., Coe, M.T., Myers, M.G., Garland, A.F., Ezzet-Lofstrom, R., Hazen, A.L. Hough, R.L. (1999) "Adolescent Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Health," *Journal of Adolescent Health*, 24: 412-421.

Brown, S.A., Aarons, G.A., Lebeda, S.K., Ezzet-Lofstrom, R., Garland, A.F., Hazen, A.L., Hough, R.L. (1997) "Health Status and Problems of Young Adults with Histories of Substance Abuse," abstracted in *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*, 19: 117.

## **WORKING PAPERS AND RESEARCH REPORTS**

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Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2003) "Out-Migration Decisions: The Role of Regional Amenities," UTD Political Economy Working Paper 07/03, February 2003.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (1999) "Smart Growth Policies: Can It Help Orange County Sustain Growth," in *Challenging Conventional Wisdom: Economic Development Strategies for Orange County in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Report prepared for the Orange County Business Council.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. and J. Murdoch (2007, November) "The Effect Of Low Income Housing Tax Credit Units On Residential Property Values In Dallas County." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2006, November) "Amenity Preferences: High-Skilled versus Low-Skilled Migration." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Fort Worth, Texas.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2005, October) "Migration, Regional Amenities and Race/Ethnicity." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Kansas City, Missouri.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2004, April) "Residential Private Governments and Property Values." Presented at the annual conference of the Urban Affairs Association, Washington, DC.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2003, November) "Valuing Quality of Life: Differences between Renters and Homeowners." Presented at the annual conference of the North American Regional Science Association International, Philadelphia, PA.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2003, March) "Metropolitan Quality-of-Life: The Price for Living the Good Life." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2003, January) "The Price for Living the Good Life: Using Compensating Differentials to Price Urban Amenities." Presented at the Social Science Workshop, University of Texas at Dallas.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2002, November) "Metropolitan Quality-of-Life: The Price for Living the Good Life." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Baltimore, Maryland.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2001, November) "Spatial Migration Patterns and Quality-of-Life Tradeoffs." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, Cleveland, Ohio; Presented at the annual conference of the North American Regional Science Association International, Charleston, SC; Poster presented at the annual conference of the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington, DC.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2001, May) "Migration and the Role of Regional Amenities." Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of California, Irvine.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (2000, November) "Inter-Metropolitan Migration Decisions: The Role of Regional Amenities." Presented at the annual conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning. Atlanta, Georgia.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (1999, June) "Smart Growth Policies: Can It Help Orange County Sustain Growth." Presented at Challenging Conventional Wisdom: Economic Development Strategies for Orange County in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. University of California, Irvine.

Ezzet-Lofstrom, R. (1997) "Welfare Reform." Presented at the Center for Research on Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services. San Diego, CA.

## **GRANTS, HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS**

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### Grants

- "The Effect of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program on Property Values" J. McDonald Williams Institute, 2006, \$6,000.
- Social Entrepreneurship Curriculum Development Grant, Kauffman Foundation, 2002-2004 (with Sheila Piñeres, PI).
- Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, 2001-2002, \$30,000
- Dissertation Fellowship, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 2000-2001, \$5,000
- Urban and Regional Planning Merit Fellowship, University of California, Irvine, 1997-1998, \$10,125.

### Awards:

- Emerging Scholar Award, Urban Affairs Association/Sage Publications, 2002
- Social Ecology Award for Dissertation Research, 2002
- ACSP/Fannie Mae Foundation Best Student Paper on Housing & Community Development, 2001
- Outstanding Graduate Student Mentor Award, University of California, Irvine, 2000-2001
- Fannie Mae ACSP Conference Travel Award, 2000
- Outstanding Teaching Assistant, University of California, Irvine, 1998-1999

## **SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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Geography/GIS, Program Committee 2006-2007

Geography/GIS, Program Committee 2005-2006

Doctoral Methodology Committee (PPPE), 2006-2007

Doctoral Methodology Committee (POEC), 2005-2006

Doctoral Methodology Committee (POEC), 2004-2005

Doctoral Methodology Committee (POEC), 2003-2004

Political Economy Program Review Committee, 2002-2003

Book Review (2004): Dennis R. Judd and Todd Swanstrom's *City Politics: Private Power and Public Policy*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, for the publisher (Pearson Longman)

Book Review (2005): Arthur O'Sullivan's *Urban Economics*, 6<sup>th</sup> edition, for the publisher (McGraw-Hill/Irwin)

## **MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

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Interview with Karen Robinson-Jacobs *Dallas Morning News* in "West End is on the mend: Spillover from Victory Project brings renewal after high-profile restaurant and retail closings," on local economic development trends, December 23, 2006.

Interview with Peter T. Kilborn of *The New York Times* on the effect that job relocation workers have on community and housing markets, August 31, 2006.



Interview with Jim Getz of *The Dallas Morning News* in "Will all those houses be built?" on how sprawl affects economic development in outlying suburban regions, August 20, 2006.

Interview with James M, O'Neill of *The Dallas Morning News* on master planning and the need for a downtown university in Dallas, Texas, May 10, 2006.

Interview with Wendy Hundley of *The Dallas Morning News* in "High Hopes for High Five Impact," on the effect of highway projects on neighborhood quality of life, May 15, 2004.

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### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Membership Committee, Urban Affairs Association, 2003-2004

Member, Association of American Geographers

Member, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning

Member, Regional Science Association International

Member, Urban Affairs Association

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### **REFERENCES**

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