

August 1, 2022

Mayor Andrew J. Ginther
City Hall 2nd Floor
90 West Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Mayor Ginther,

I am honored to have been nominated for a position on the Victorian Village Commission. If appointed, I will dedicate my time, energy, and skills to this beautiful, historic neighborhood.

I remember riding with my father down High Street, through the Short North, as a child in the 1970s. The neighborhood was mostly abandoned, its commercial value so low that the storefronts were either empty or used for storage.

I followed the amazing renaissance of Victorian Village from college in Indiana and then from my first adult home, New York City. By the time my wife and I moved back to Columbus in 2000, the neighborhood had become so incredible, so desired that it was well out of our price range.

After seven years in Clintonville, we realized our dream of a home in Victorian Village. We lived in a beautiful 1880s house on Starr Avenue for 13 years and carefully improved it in many ways. It was hard to leave that home, but another gorgeous Victorian on Neil Avenue called in 2019. We now live on the best street in the best neighborhood in the city, and we couldn't ask for more. We plan on owning this home and living in this neighborhood for the rest of our lives.

I feel an ownership of not just our home, but of the entire neighborhood. Many are responsible for the incredible streets I walk through every day, from those who built it in the late 1800s to those who resurrected it 100 years later. It is now my turn to contribute to Victorian Village by helping the Commission navigate the tremendous growth and opportunity on the horizon.

Thank you for considering me for membership on the Victorian Village Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete Shuler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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