

**AREA COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM**

The Department of Neighborhoods maintains the database for the Area Commission members in the City of Columbus. The information on this form is used to process the Mayor’s appointment and ensure timely and accurate distribution of meeting notices, training opportunities, and other City activities. **Please complete all sections of the form with information about your recently elected/appointed commissioner within seven (7) days of the election/appointment. After completing and signing this form, please return it, along with the appointees resume and/or biography to your Neighborhood Liaison via email.** Please contact your Neighborhood Liaison with any questions or comments.

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| <b>Area Commission Name</b>         | <b>Franklinton Area Commission</b>  |   |
| <b>Please check appropriate box</b> | <b>New appointment</b> <input type="checkbox"/><br><b>Reappointment</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>Are there changes to this information?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| First Name                          | Brian   |   |
| Last Name                           | Estabrook   |   |
| Title (i.e. officer / commissioner) | Commissioner  |   |
| Address                             | 154 Hayden Avenue   |   |
| City                                | Columbus  |   |
| State                               | Ohio  |   |
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| District/Designation                | Commissioner – Resident Seat  |   |
| Term Start Date                     | 11/01/2019  |   |
| Term Expiration                     | 10/31/2021  |   |
| Seat Succession                     | Re-elected to former resident seat  |   |

Area Commission Chair Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*ALL SECTIONS OF THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED\*\*\***

*Please include short bio below:*

**Brief Introduction**

- My name is Brian Estabrook and I've been a Franklinton resident for four years - two as a renter and two as a homeowner. My partner and I own a house on Hayden Avenue (north of Broad, one street east of Central), which we purchased from Bruce!
- My partner is Hannah Estabrook, who some of you may know. She works for the Franklin County Municipal Court as the Coordinator for CATCH Court, a speciality docket that provides wraparound anti-human trafficking services for women coming out of the world of prostitution.

**Experience in Franklinton**

- I've been part of various community development activities since we moved to Franklinton, including organizing around the issue of affordable housing and local economic development with folks like Katelyn Jackson, Patrick Kaufman, Ruben Herrera, and Regina Morin. We called ourselves the Franklinton Civic Action Group and while that group no longer exists we were able to create a network of relationships and seed work that continues today.
- Additionally, I've worked with Franklinton Farms and Ohio State to address issues of food access in Franklinton - this work included a pilot project at Franklinton Farms that brought fresh, local food from around the region to the Farm for distribution through their CSA. I also worked with Patrick Kaufman to develop the neighborhood survey that informed the development of the Lower Lights Jubilee Market.

**Work Experience**

- I work for Franklin County Economic Development & Planning as a Food Systems Planner. My responsibilities include implementation of the City-County Local Food Action Plan - the goals of that plan include greater food access, increased economic development, and the prevention of food waste. I'm the only food planner working in local government in the State of Ohio and one of only 20-25 nationally. It's a new and exciting field in which Columbus and Franklin County are leading players.
- The City and County are also hard at work on affordable housing plans, including the Community Land Trust, which came out of my office and in which I played a small supporting role.
- I conceptualize my work through the lens of the social determinants of health, which are the broad range of personal, social, economic and environmental factors that determine both individual and population health. Food, housing, land use, employment, education, and the built environment are all social determinants of health that determine inequities in health, wealth, and access to power. I share this just to point out that while the Commission has a limited purview it can certainly influence how these issues are addressed in Franklinton.

**Areas of Interest as a Commissioner**

- I have a wide array of interests that all center on ensuring the low-income residents of Franklinton have affordable housing, stable employment with a living wage, and opportunities to flourish as full human beings. As it relates to the duties of the Commission I see myself as a contributor on affordable housing and on the nexus of zoning and affordable housing. I am eager to participate in reviewing and providing recommendations on proposed City Council legislation and ensuring that City agencies and planning efforts are not only acting in the best interest of Franklinton but also acting in the best interest of our most vulnerable residents.
- At heart, I am and have always been a public servant interested in ensuring the common, public good for all. On a more personal level, I'm a curious, analytic person who asks good questions and sees the world from a systems/structural perspective. If appointed I will bring these skills and perspectives to bear for the Commission.
- I'm happy to answer any question from the Commissioners.