

Application of Rep. Mitchell Wesley Melton

Your name: Rep. Mitchell Wesley Melton, M.Ed.

Section 3. Questions for you to complete. (If you need more space, you may attach additional pages.)

A. Please review the following requirements from the Home Rule Charter for serving on the Commission on Parks and Recreation. How do you meet those qualifications?

“Qualifications. The members shall have demonstrated experience or skills relevant to the powers and duties of the Commission including, but not limited to: sports, recreation and athletic programming; natural lands management, watershed management, and environmental protection; tourism, marketing and public relations; business and finance; neighborhood revitalization; community leadership; historical and architectural preservation; landscaping and horticulture; and fundraising. The Commission shall also be reflective of the geographic, racial, ethnic, and gender diversity within the City.”

I am a former two term State Representative, having served as a Member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives from the years 1969-1972. I have supported every aspect of this new organization both individually and collectively. As a State Legislator, I supported the Fairmount Park Commission with substantial legislative appropriations and the Philadelphia Department of Recreation with appropriations and enabling legislation, consistent with its then mission and five year projections etc. My areas of expertise included, but was not limited to recreation and athletic programming, environmental protection., tourism, and public relations, business and finance, neighborhood revitalization, through The Model Cities Program, etc. Community Leadership, historical and architechural preservation etc.

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B. In these difficult economic times, what do you think the Commission on Parks and Recreation should do to support, promote, and invest in the City's park and recreation system? As a member of the Commission, what would you do to assist the Commission in achieving these goals?

I will exhaust every means to assure that there is substantial State and Local financing to carry on and carry out the financial objectives in support of the Fiscal year 2012 proposed budget and beyond, for the Department of Parks and Recreation. Additionally, I support whole heartedly the testimony of Nancy A. Goldberg, on behalf of The Philadelphia Commission on Parks and recreation, May 3, 2011. I may have more to say on this matter later when I have more time, however, in the interim, this position has to suffice.



C. Please review the role and responsibilities of the Commission, which are set forth in Part I of this application. Then, please attach a statement of no more than 500 words explaining why you want to serve on the Commission Parks and Recreation and why you believe you should be nominated to do so.

As a Citizen of Philadelphia, my whole life and as the youngest Member of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, (1969-1972) and having orchestrated the passage of forty nine (49) House Bills through the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, thirty six (36) of which became Law here in Pennsylvania, I am of the opinion that I helped to serve as one of the Trail Blazers and Path Finders during the Administration of Mayor James H. J. Tate, in the years 1964 or 1966 to 1972 inclusive. (Visit: WWW.MITCHELMELTON.NET). At age 69, I still think that I have a lot to offer, all of which, I am willing to give and devote to the continued growth, development and nationalization of my home town of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Further, as the result of the commitment and determination of the combined Pennsylvania Congressional Congregation, headed by the Dean of that Body: Congressman William A. Barrett, the bacon was bought home to Pennsylvania particularly and to Philadelphia specifically and factually. Congressman Bill Barrett, saw to it that the federal dollars in the millions flowed like water into the coffers of the City and County of Philadelphia.

I have a lot more to offer my fellow Citizens of Philadelphia. Further, I am willing to devote the time, energy and effort necessary, to assure that the Philadelphia Commission on Parks and Recreation, reaches it's full potential consistent with it's November 04, 2008 mandidate, amending he Philadelphia Home Rule Charter.

We are at an exciting part of the existence of our great city, having grown, developed and matured into one of the greatest and most desirable Cities to visit in the United States of America.

Section 4. Resume: Please attach to this application an up-to-date resume. Include your name, but do not include any personal contact information (street address, phone number, e-mail address) that you do not wish to be publicly available. On the resume, please provide the following information:

- Your employment history, including job titles and responsibilities, and dates of employment. If you have been self-employed, include that information.
- Your education or training – schools attended, degrees attained, and dates.
- Your community and professional organizations, affiliations, and activities.
- Optional: Any additional information that you consider relevant to this application.

Since I just today learned of this Application To Serve on The Commission on Parks and Recreation today, 5/9/2012, I ask that you please expect to receive a Resume History on me, on or before, my appearance before Council. The areas of concern will be set forth within the document.

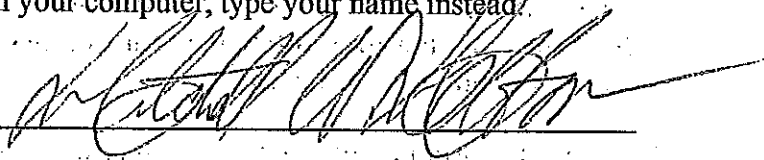
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Section 5. Optional supporting materials. You are invited to submit up to three letters of recommendation. You may submit them along with your application or separately. If you have not submitted them by the time that Council holds its public hearing for applicants, please bring the letters with you and submit them when your name is called.

You can expect to receive three (3) Letters of recommendation.

Section 6. Signature. Please sign on the line immediately below. If you are submitting your application by e-mail directly from your computer, type your name instead.

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Section 7. Date. Indicate the date that you are submitting this application:

May 9, 2012

HAND DELIVER

If you are selected to serve on the Commission on Parks and Recreation, you will be required to file the City's annual financial disclosure form. You will also be subject to ethics laws applicable to City boards and commissions (and to the jurisdiction of the Philadelphia Board of Ethics). In addition, the Mayor's Executive Order No. 3-10 requires that appointees to City boards and commissions be in compliance with tax laws and all City fines and fees; in that connection, you will be required to complete a "Tax Clearance Application," which will authorize the City's Department of Revenue to confirm that you are in compliance (or have entered into a voluntary payment agreement).

If you have questions about the application process, please contact
Theresa Brunson at 215-686-3424 or
Hal Fichandler at 215-686-7667.

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