



# APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS City Council Ward 2 Council Member

## >> INFORMATION REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CITY COUNCIL WARD 2 COUNCIL MEMBER

Thank you for your interest in serving the community as a member of the Columbia City Council.

To be considered, your application must be completed and received by the City Clerk at Columbia City Hall, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201 no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 13, 2023. Applications received after 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted and mailing post-marked applications will also not be accepted. The City Council will review applications and select a new Council Member at a future date.

Please submit the completed application packet to:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk  
City of Columbia  
701 E. Broadway  
Columbia, MO 65201

Sheela.Amin@CoMo.gov

For further information, please contact:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk at 573.874.7207 or Sheela.Amin@CoMo.gov

Please note:

Once the application packet for appointment is filed with the City, it is a public record available to anyone that requests it, and it could be posted on the City of Columbia's website.

## >> COUNCIL MEMBER ELIGIBILITY, REQUIREMENTS AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Per Article II Section 6 of the City Charter, to be eligible to be appointed to the Columbia City Council as the Ward 2 Council Member, you must be a qualified and registered voter of the city and a resident and qualified voter of Ward 2. In addition, you cannot hold any other lucrative public office nor any lucrative position in the city government during your term as a Council Member.

If appointed to the vacant position by a majority vote of the City Council, you will hold office until a successor is duly elected and qualified following the April 2024 Municipal Election.

If appointed, you will be required by State and local law to file a financial disclosure statement with the Missouri Ethics Commission.

## >>CITY COUNCIL DUTIES AND COMPENSATION

The Columbia City Council is the legislative authority of the City of Columbia. The City operates under a Council-Manager form of government, and the seven-member City Council serves as the legislative body of the City. The Council is responsible for setting policy, adopting the annual budget, adopting laws, determining the services to be provided and the funding levels for those services, and appointing citizens to its advisory boards and commissions.

The duties of a City Council Member will likely involve an average minimum of 18-20 hours per month for preparation, participation, and attendance at various meetings and community activities. Beyond the broad duties previously mentioned, Council Member duties include, but are not limited to:

- Attendance at pre-council and regular city council meetings, which are held on the first and third Monday's of each month. Meetings generally begin at 5:00 p.m. and can run late into the evening. From time to time, special city council meetings can be called to handle city business. In addition, there are city council work sessions and retreats at times.
- Council Members may, at their discretion, travel and attend training, education, and/or participate in other organizations at the local, regional, state, and national level. Travel, education, and training expenses for those activities can be reimbursed in accordance with applicable City policies and are subject to the budgetary limit set for each Council Member and the City Council as a whole.
- The Council Member stipend as of October 1, 2023 is \$522.58 per month.



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The information provided will be used by the City Council in considering your appointment. Please complete each section, if applicable. Please attach additional materials (resume, letters of reference) that you would like considered as part of your application.

## >>APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: Lucio Martino Bitoy IV

Residence Address: 3313 dove drive

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: LucioBitoyIV@gmail.com Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: 773.573.6548

How long have you been a continuous resident of the City of Columbia and of Ward 2?

Since April of 2022.

If less than three years, please list all addresses within the last three years:

1607 Steamboat Ln, Columbia MO. 65201.

Are you registered to vote in the City of Columbia? Yes

Do you meet all of the qualifications to hold elective office as defined in the Columbia City Charter Article II Section 6? Yes

## >>EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

High School: Morton Senior High School Diploma Earned: Core 40 diploma

City/State: Hammond, Indiana.

College/University: Lincoln University Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: Jefferson City, Mo.

Any other training or education that you believe is relevant?

Completing a Bachelors of Science in Political Science with a minor in Philosophy. I am only missing an elective science lab which I plan to take in the spring or summer of 2024. Through my degree program I have I closely studied logic and reason, healthcare ethics, state and local government, civil rights and liberties, public administration, public policy, monetary theory, constitutional law, and environmental sustainability. I served as student government secretary for 1 year, and as Model United Nations president for 2 years ( earning outstanding delegation awards for Nepal and Rwanda), helped start the "Step Into Law" program at Lincoln University, partnering with affiliates like Kaplan and local legal professionals to help prepare students interested in pursuing a career in the Legal field. I spent 1 year as a university ambassador which was more or less an onboarding program of sorts for incoming freshman.

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## >>EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Current or Last Employer: Family Support Division Position: Benefit Program Technician Dates: 08/2023  
Address: 601 Business Loop 70 W #272, Columbia, MO 65203 Phone: 8553734636

Previous Employer: CDC Foundation Position: Program Analyst (contract) Dates: 10/2021-04/2022  
Address: 600 Peachtree St NE #1000, Atlanta, GA 30308 Phone: 4046530790

## >>ORGANIZATIONS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE

List any community, civic, trade or professional organization in which you have been active.

Organization/Project: National Forum For Black Public Administrators City/State: Chicago, IL To/From: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization/Project: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ To/From: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization/Project: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ To/From: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been elected or appointed to any public office, board or commission in Missouri? If so, please list.

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Office/Board/Commission: \_\_\_\_\_  
Election/Appt. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Length: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## >>SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Please use an additional page to answer the following. Limit answers to 200 words each.

- 1.) Why are you interested in serving on the City Council?
- 2.) Generally speaking, what do you see as the City Council's role?
- 3.) How does your specific experience make you qualified to serve as a City Council member?
- 4.) Describe your civic involvement in the Columbia community.
- 5.) Do you have the availability to attend all City Council meetings, meet with constituents, spend the time to become informed for meetings, and engage in outreach to the community?
- 6.) What do you see as the current topics before the City Council to be decided in the next 6 months?
- 7.) Is there anything else that you wish to add that would help us get to know you better?

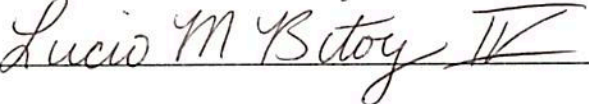
## >>REFERENCES

The following individuals are qualified to comment on my capabilities. At least one reference must be from Ward 2.

Name: Dr. Kaleea Lewis Relationship: partner Phone: 803.479.7400  
Name: Dr. Ashley Millham Relationship: Colleague Phone: 573.356.7602  
Name: Raymond Hall Relationship: Colleague Phone: 573.441.5544

## >>UNDERSTANDING OF APPLICATION

*NOTE: By submitting this application, you affirm that the information contained in it is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and that you are the person named. In addition, you acknowledge that upon receipt, this form is a public record and its contents will be provided to anyone requesting a copy and that this information could be made available to the public via the internet.*

Signature of applicant:  Date: 11.12.2023

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Using Public Health Dashboards

**FEMA Independent Study**

- IS-00005.a: An Introduction to Hazardous Materials
- IS-00066: Preparing the Nation for Space Weather Events
- IS-00100.c: Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100
- IS-00200.c: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response ICS-200
- IS-00235.c: Emergency Planning
- IS-00242.c: Effective Communication
- IS-00315.a: CERT and the Incident Command System (ICS)
- IS-00453: Introduction to Homeland Security Planning
- IS-00700.b: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System

- IS-00703.b: National Incident Management System Resource Management
- IS-02905: Coordinating Health and Social Services Recovery

**Supplemental questions:**

- 1.) Why are you interested in serving on the City Council? I am interesting in serving on the City Council because I firmly believe myself to be the individual best suited to serve the residents of the 2<sup>nd</sup> ward.
- 2.) Generally speaking, what do you see as the City Council's role? To ensure the efficacious allocation of resources in pursuit of prosperity for all.
- 3.) How does your specific experience make you qualified to serve as a City Council member? I am a formal student of political science and a devoted practitioner of political praxis. I am an expert in state and local government, federal regulations, culturally competent community engagement, organizing and mobilizing, constitutional law, legislation, policy analysis, and public administration.
- 4.) Describe your civic involvement in the Columbia community. I personally synthesize what can sometimes be complicated political concepts and processes for those I engage with in the community. I spent time as an AmeriCorps vista with the CCUA, and I try to support unsheltered individuals as I can around town.
- 5.) Do you have the availability to attend all City Council meetings, meet with constituents, spend the time to become informed for meetings, and engage in outreach to the community? Yes I do.
- 6.) What do you see as the current topics before the City Council to be decided in the next 6 months? What I see as what should be the current topics to be decided in the next 6 months: Rent Control, ecological restoration of low income areas, raising the Columbia minimum wage.
- 7.) Is there anything else that you wish to add that would help us get to know you better? I am truly passionate about the political process and about serving those most vulnerable among us, and to that end, I will work tirelessly for the residents of 2<sup>nd</sup> ward.