



Application for Boards and Commissions

City of New Haven, CT

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Full Name	First Name: Claudia Last Name: Merson
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Are you a current New Haven resident?	Yes
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Are you a registered voter in New Haven?	Yes
What political party do you belong to? [This information is only requested as it is required by the city charter (Article X Sec. 2-551) to ensure minority party representation on boards and commissions]	Independant
What is your current occupation?	Administrator
Please upload a resume, short bio or personal statement of interest	2024 Claudia_Merson CV.doc
New Haven Boards & Commissions Listed	Redevelopment Agency
Please explain why you are interested in serving on this board/commission?	I humbly request permission to serve on the Redevelopment Agency. Humbly , because this is not an area that I have trained in nor do I have any concrete expertise other than the fact that I am a citizen. I think all cities have choices to make regarding their development or redevelopment and it is important to make them wisely and carefully. I recently spent some time in the town where I grew up- a town that I left over 50 years ago. This town that gave my immigrant parents the promise of a better life and a place to raise their family would have no place for them today.
Why do you believe you are a good fit for this board/commission?	I care deeply about the city. New Haven has been my home for close to 30 years., because of my work with NHPS students and families I have friends who live across the city. Many of the students who I worked with in the late 90's still live in New Haven and have families

of their own. I would be honored to be a part of a commission that thinks of the wellbeing of all of the city's residents.

Do you have any time commitments that would prevent you from participating in the board/commission meetings?

No I do not.