



**Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
City and Borough of Sitka**

Board/Commission/Committee: Marijuana Advisory Committee
 Name: Kitty Sapon Daytime Phone: 907 545 2850
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 Email Address: KittySapon@gmail.com Fax Number: N/A
 Length of Residence in Sitka: 3 yrs 1 mo Registered to vote in Sitka? Yes No
 Employer: STA

Organizations you belong to or participate in:

I participate in the kayani Commission

Explain your main reason for applying:

Ensure there's a female on the Committee. Also, I want there to be a "younger" person on the committee

What background, experience or credentials will you bring to the board, commission, or committee membership?

I am solely interested in representing personal use growers. to ensure the community there are people who just like plants but aren't interested in profiting.

Please disclose any potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your appointment. These may include but are not limited to:

- A substantial financial interest of \$1000 annually that could be influenced by your appointment.
- An immediate family member employed within the scope of this appointment.

N/A

Please attach a letter of interest, outline, or resume which includes your education, work, and volunteer experience that will enhance your membership.

→ (To be considered, your application must be complete AND be accompanied by one of the above supporting documents.)

Date: 9-17-15 Signature: Cat Sapon

Your complete application and resume should be returned to the Municipal Clerk's Office by noon on the Wednesday prior to an advertised Assembly meeting.

Please note: all information submitted will be made public and published online. Appointments are normally made during open session of an Assembly meeting, however, Assembly members may vote to discuss applicant(s) in closed executive session. In this case, do you wish to be present when your application is discussed? Yes No

Return to:
 Melissa Henshaw, Deputy Clerk/Records Specialist, 100 Lincoln Street
 Fax: 907-747-7403 Email: melissa.henshaw@cityofsitka.org

To whom this may concern,

Hello, my name is Kitty Sopow and have been living in Sitka for 3 years now. I am interested in joining the Marijuana Advisory Committee because I want a female who smokes weed and grows weed to be present at the meetings to represent someone like myself. I'm not interested in selling or distributing. I just like plants and studying how humans relate with their surroundings.

Community resiliency is a topic that I read about in my personal time. Through this study I have learned that resilience refers to the adaptive capacity of communities to evolve alongside social and environmental changes. I believe Sitka is more resilient than the average community and is well equipped to create a space in which politically and epistemically charged relationships between Sitkans' and their cannabis plants put City and Borough of Sitka in an upward trajectory to financial success.

Legalizing cannabis for personal use has created an opportunity for the Marijuana Advisory Committee to create a framework to help us evolve alongside a multitude of unknown social and environmental changes....and I want to be a part of this cultivation.

Ok, so while I was writing this I also realized I would really like to study how Sitka evolves. I am an anthropologist and want to use anthropological theories to solve practical problems in OUR COMMUNITY. As an anthropologist I believe in the importance of studying communities bound by shared cultural affinities and I would like to be part of the creation of this new community.

Some people think legalizing cannabis was a disaster. I would like to turn this disaster into an opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Sopow', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kitty Sopow

P.S. I'm not stoned right now....