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## Snohomish County Boards & Commissions Application Form

### ***SNOHOMISH COUNTY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS APPLICATION FORM***

NOMINEE: Please fill in this section

Name of Board/Commission: Planning Commission

New Appointment

Snohomish County Council District (Please choose one): 5

Name: Karl Niemela

Home Address: 8721 S Lake Stevens Rd

Mailing Address (if different): *Field not completed.*

City: Lake Stevens

State: Wa

Zip Code: 98258

Telephone (Home): 425-327-4070

Telephone (Work): 360-794-5512

Email: karl@tcprecision.com

Current Employer: Toolcraft Inc

Occupation: Business Owner

High School

## Education

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Licenses held (if applicable)

None

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Why would you like to serve on this board/commission?

I spent the last 33 years focusing on running my business. I finally mastered the art of delegation and now have the time and energy to get involved in the community. I can now follow the advice I give to my employees...C.V.S. (Complain, Voice, Solve). When you have a complaint, share it with people who are in a position to help implement a solution. Then offer a solution and be willing to implement it.

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Please explain why you are a qualified candidate, including relevant professional experience, to serve on the board/commission.

With 3+ decades of business ownership, I have become a very proficient at how NOT to do things. My method, especially early in my career, was to put my head down and charge forward. Just get it done. After lots of bumps and bruises, I have learned to think critically while moving forward with minimal wasted time and energy.

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Please list community involvement/volunteer activities

I am a member of CVAC (Citizen Volunteer Against Crime) at the Everett Police Department since June 2022. I joined the Economic Development Advisory Board in the City of Monroe in May of 2023.

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How did you learn of this opportunity?

From Snohomish County Council Member Sam Low.

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Do you currently serve on a Snohomish County board or commission?\*

No

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*\*2.03.060SCC - Candidates for appointment to county boards or commission must meet the following requirements:*

*(1) Possess qualifications for the appointment sought, as shown by the candidate's written documentation and any hearing testimony;*

*(2) If a reappointment, demonstrate the continuing benefits of retaining the board member as discussed in the executive's recommendation and a satisfactory attendance record, as determined by adopted criteria of the particular board;*

*(3) Reside or work in Snohomish County, or show evidence of special interest in Snohomish County, PROVIDED That a candidate may not be a County employee.*

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**\*\*Please be advised, effective January 1, 2022 individuals joining identified**

boards and commissions will be required to pass a background check.

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*By signing this Application Form, Nominee acknowledges that he/she will comply with all county policies, county code, and state law. Nominee also acknowledges that any record, including personal e-mail, prepared, owned, used, or retained by Nominee in the conduct of Board/Commission business is a public record, and Nominee agrees to produce said records to County upon request. Failure to comply with the above provisions may result in Nominee's removal from Board/Commission.*

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Signature Karl M Niemela

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Date 06/14/2023

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Please attach resume if available and either submit this form or print it and mail to *Field not completed.*

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