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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):

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Name Brian Holtzclaw

Home Address

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

City Mill Creek

State WA

Zip Code 98012

Telephone (Home)

Telephone (Work)

Email

Current Employer Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties

Occupation Attorney

Education BA Economics from Whitman College 1988; JD from University

Licenses held (if applicable)	Member in good standing [REDACTED] of the Washington State Bar Association since 1993
Why would you like to serve on this board/commission?	I just completed 12 years on the Mill Creek City Council; the last 5 years as Mayor. This is an opportunity to use my knowledge and experience to give back to the community. The Planning Commission plays an important role in helping the County address how it will plan for and accommodate the growth projected over the next 20 years.
Please explain why you are a qualified candidate, including relevant professional experience, to serve on the board/commission.	I have practiced land use law for 33 years and am well versed in the GMA, SEPA, Shorelines Management Act, critical areas regulations, stormwater regulations, tree regulations, and other codes and regulations regarding new development. Since 2002 I have been actively involved in, among other things: the 2005, 2015, and 2024 Comp Plan updates; several CAR updates; the URDS code provisions in 2009; and the tree code adopted in 2014. Having served for 12 years on my City Council I also bring the perspective of an elected official.
Please list community involvement/volunteer activities	12 years on Mill Creek City Council (including as Mayor Pro Tem from 2015-Aug 2020, and Mayor from Sept 2020 through 2025. While on Council I serve as the City's representative to Snohomish County Tomorrow for 10 years, and served on the Housing Affordability Regional Task Force convened by Exec. Somers in '18 and reconvened in '22. I currently fill the non-voting seat of MPAKS on the PSRC Growth Management Policy Board. I was also active with my 2 sons in Boy Scout Troop 91 -- both of whom achieved the rank of Eagle Scout (I too am an Eagle Scout.
How did you learn of this opportunity?	From my work colleague, Natalie Reber, and from Councilmember Mead.
Do you currently serve on a Snohomish County board or commission?*	No

*\*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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**\*\*People joining identified boards and commissions will be required to complete a background check. Boards and commissions identified as subject to requiring background checks include Children's Commission, Community Services Advisory Council, Council on Aging, CDMH (Chemical Dependency and Mental Health Program Advisory Board), Climate Action Advisory, Developmental Disabilities, Evergreen State Fair, Human Rights, Marine Resources, Performance Audit, and Planning Commission.**

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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	Brian Holtzclaw
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Date	1/8/2026
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Please attach resume if available and either submit this form or print it and mail to

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