

**Application Form****Notice of Public Record**

Please be advised that all information contained in this application is part of the City of Reno's public record and is available for public review. These positions are limited, in most cases, to residents of the City of Reno. The City Council makes a conscientious effort to appoint persons who represent all of the various communities within the City of Reno. Please be advised that certain boards and commissions require filing of financial statements with the Secretary of State or have special requirements. Contact the City Clerk's office at 334-2030 with any questions.

**Profile**

Debra \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ Whitlock Lax \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

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 Email Address

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 Home Address

Reno \_\_\_\_\_ NV \_\_\_\_\_ 89503 \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Postal Code

**What ward do you live in? \***

Ward 4

Home: (408) 726-7200 \_\_\_\_\_ Home: (408) 726-7200 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary Phone Alternate Phone

**How long have you been a resident of the City of Reno?**

9 months

**Are you over 18 years of age?**

Yes  No

**Are you currently registered to vote in the City of Reno? \***

Yes

Bethel AME Church \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer Job Title

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Human Rights Commission: Submitted

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Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor other than minor traffic violations?

Yes  No

If yes, please list conviction dates and nature:

N/A

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## Interests & Experiences

Education or training relevant to the board or commission to which you are applying:

AAS Systems and Data Processing BS Christian Leadership BS Leadership Master of Divinity Doctor of Ministry (DMin) - Executive Leadership - May 2023

Explain briefly why you would like to be appointed to this board or commission.

Discussing and just as important implementing programs that promote social justice, diversity/inclusion, equal opportunity, and human dignity among all citizens and visitors of the city is important to me as an African American Woman.

[Resume - Debra.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

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## Open Meeting Law Waiver

**WAIVER OF NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER NRS 241.033(1) TO ALLOW CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER CHARACTER, MISCONDUCT, OR COMPETENCE OF PERSON TO BE APPOINTED TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR OTHER PUBLIC BODY FOR THE CITY OF RENO**

The City Council for the City of Reno will be considering on a future posted agenda your appointment to a board, commission or other public body for the City of Reno. Pursuant to NRS 241.033(1), in order to consider the professional competence of an applicant, notice need be provided to that person of the time and place of the meeting in compliance with such statutory provisions. By agreeing below, it is confirmed that I have been provided notice of the meeting at which my appointment will be considered by City Council. Further, I knowingly and voluntarily am waiving my rights to all written notice requirements under NRS 241.033(1) pertaining to my qualifications, competence, and character to hold this appointment and consent to the evaluation of my character and competence by the Reno City Council in a public meeting. Further, the I acknowledge that I may at any time withdraw both this waiver and related application for appointment.

I Agree

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## Acknowledgement

Debra A Whitlock Lax

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information I provided in the application is true. If the information provided is false or incomplete, it shall be sufficient cause for disqualification or removal. If appointed, I agree to attend a board or commission orientation session, if applicable, within six months of my appointment. I understand that failure to comply with this requirement will results in automatic removal from the board or commission.**

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I Agree



# DEBRA LAX

## PROFILE

As former Senior Consultant for PriceWaterhouse Coopers and Sonderman Consulting moving multi-million-dollar complexed integrated SAP Implementation projects forward, under budget and meeting and exceeding deadline, energizes me.

I enjoy collaborating with teams and crossing the finish line together. The key to success is keeping one's mind in stressful situations. Knowing how to prioritize, listening to feedback and input, prioritizing, and synthesizing complex data points to make sound decisions are seasoned skills I have acquired over the last thirty years. I'm sensitive to family dynamics and the benefits of telling stories and holding memories close to the heart. My dissertation project focuses on digital storytelling.

I am a quick study of software. As a former database designer and SAP implementer, am able rapidly to learn software functionality how to marry user needs with product features.

## CONTACT

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## HOBBIES

Jazz & Gospel Vocalist  
Horseback Riding  
Videography  
Exploring Photography

## EDUCATION

**Redland university - Doctor of Ministry:** Executive Leadership (2022)

**Fuller Seminary – Masters of Divinity Degree**  
September 2004 – June 2008

**William Jessup University – Bachelor of Science Degree**  
August 2003 – May 2004  
Focus: Leadership

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Bethel AME Church – Senior Pastor (F/T)**  
September 2020 - Present  
Public Speaker and teacher, managing volunteers, and managing church operations, using Quickbooks (online) to manage the financial affairs of the church, and supervising staff and volunteers.

**National Center for Facilitated Therapy Volunteer Coordinator (F/T)**  
November 2018 - Present  
Community outreach, managing, scheduling, and training new volunteers. De facto Salesforce System Administration, automated volunteer scheduling system using Google Forms and Site.

**Clergy Tax Financial – Chief Technology Specialist (P/T)**  
January 2018 - Present  
Software implementation, user training and support of Microsoft business applications, Schedule Once, Zoom, & Crescendo.

**Milpitas Community Television – Station Manager (F/T)**  
September 2009 - 2017  
Manage the TV Stations operations, community outreach, and volunteer staff. Produced, directed, and editor video compositions using project management skills to move complexed projects along a tight deadline to completion within deadline.

**PriceWaterhouseCoopers-Sonderman Consulting–Sr. Project MGR (F/T)**  
September 1995 - 2001  
Change Management – SAP Consultant & Bootcamp Instructor

## SKILLS

