

Open Space & Trails Advisory Board Application

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All advisory board and commission members will be expected to support the priorities and work plan set forth by the Town Council.

This board meets the **second Monday of each month at 6:30 PM**. You are required to notify your chair if you are going to be absent from a meeting. Failure to attend three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings without a leave of absence approved by majority of the Open Space and Trails Advisory Board could be grounds for dismissal.

Full Name	Kyle Precourt
Are you an Erie resident?	Yes
Are you under the age of eighteen?	No
Are you currently serving on the advisory board you are applying for?	No
Home Address	
Email	
Primary Phone Number	
Alternate Phone Number	
Employer	Self-employed
Job Title/Occupation	Publicist, editor
Have you ever been employed by the Town of Erie?	No
Do you work for or own a company that does business with the Town of Erie?	No
What is your highest level of education completed?	Bachelors Degree

Are you currently serving on a board? No

Are you applying for more than one board? No

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Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission and what specific talents or expertise do you bring if appointed?

I want to get more involved with the community and am particularly interested in Erie's future as a place where people can easily enjoy the outdoors. I have appreciated the work that's been done in the ten years I've been living in Old Town.

I have some experience that may prove relevant. I worked for the National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management as a federal firefighter who was usually tasked with land-management project work in arid landscapes. I then worked for state legislators and a for many years in communications for a DC-area public policy research center.

I'm also a native of rural Boulder County and understand this area better than most.

Have you served on another board/commission in an advisory capacity? If so, please describe the board and what made serving in that capacity a good experience? What were the major concerns or issues?

No.

Please describe a situation where you were working with a small group and disagreed with the direction of the project, what did you do? What was the result?

I'm generally a consensus-seeker and that works both ways. If I feel strongly, I'll try to persuade. I'm also open-minded and willing to be persuaded by people smarter than myself or who have a perspective that I haven't considered. Once a group decision is made, I'm interested in pursuing it to the best possible outcome.

My work as a media strategist has illustrated this. Different stakeholders, including me, often have differing ideas about which narrative should be used to present new research or other materials to the public. Sometimes my opinion carries the day and sometimes not. But whatever is decided, from that point forward we are a team, and it's my job to make it work.

If you were appointed, what goals would you like to see accomplished on this board or commission?

I would love to see more variety and visual interest added to the trails and some of the other green spaces around town. I'm kind of a "good government," cost-conscious type -- but I think some things are worth paying for, and that could add some long-term appeal and value to our town.

Are you aware of the time commitment, and do you have the personal time to devote to this board or commission?

I should be able to handle once per month.

Upload resume and additional documents (optional)



KylePrecourtResume.pdf

Please read and agree with the following statement:

I certify that the facts and statements contained in this Board and Commission Application are true and correct.
I further understand that false statements shall be sufficient cause for rejection of this application.
I further certify that I have not been convicted of a felony under the laws of the State of Colorado or in another jurisdiction.
I understand that falsification, omission or misrepresentation will result in a rejection of this application. Any falsification, omission or representation is evidence of perjury in the second degree.
If I become a board or commission member with the Town, this form is valid for the period of my term with the Town and the crime records may be updated periodically at the discretion of the Town.
I understand that this application is considered a public record and subject to the Colorado Open Records Act.

I Agree	Yes
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All board and commission members must follow the rules and regulations in the Erie Municipal Code as well as the Town's policies related to harassment, anti-violence, and technology use.	Yes
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Acknowledgement Signature	
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KYLE PRECOURT

 | Erie, Colorado

Communication specialist with emphasis on media, editing and organizational branding

EXPERIENCE

FOUNDER • Brushfire Communication

Erie, Colo. (2025-)

- Provide contract-based media relations and planning, editing, commentary placement and other public relations and communication services
- Editorial manager for my most recent employer, including handling op-eds and weekly columns in the Los Angeles Times, Creators Syndicate and The Hill
- Based on prior success and word-of-mouth, quickly secured a substantial roster of clients

EDITORIAL DIRECTOR • Mercatus Center at George Mason University

Arlington, Va. (2021-2025) // Associate Director, Media Relations (2014-21) // State Media Coordinator (2013-14) // Media Relations Associate (2012)

- Editor, strategist and publicist responsible for hundreds of op-eds and recurring columns each year
- Secured thousands of media placements in print, TV, radio, and online outlets including *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *NPR*, *Fox*, *MSNBC*, *Financial Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Mercury News*, *Dallas Morning News*, *U.S. News & World Report*, *Forbes*, *The Economist*, *The Hill*, newspaper syndicates and strategically valuable outlets in all 50 states
- Sustained unprecedented communication success for several policy research programs by crafting release strategies for dozens of academic studies each year
- Wrote press releases, reporter pitches, and other messaging to convey the relevance of complex findings to the general public and targeted audiences
- Trained academics to effectively communicate ideas through the media, speeches and testimonies
- Managed, hired, and trained publicists

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE • California Assembly Minority Leader

Carlsbad, Calif. (2010-11)

- Legislative liaison to California 74th Assembly District's 423,000 residents, community organizations, businesses and other local interests
- Resolved constituent concerns within state bureaucracy

WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER • U.S. Department of the Interior

Idaho Falls District - Bureau of Land Management (2009) // Big Thicket National Preserve (2009) // Big Bend National Park (2006, 2008)

- Supervised up to six firefighters on national assignment
- Led small-scale initial attack firefighting as a Type 5 Incident Commander (Trainee)
- Coordinated with Mexico's "Los Diablos" crew to provide vital firefighting in remote border region
- Operated wildland fire engines and performed advanced tree falling
- Assisted law enforcement rangers and search and rescue teams

EDUCATION

2005 University of Colorado | Bachelor of Arts, Political Science | Boulder, Colo.

2007* Legislative intern, office of Colorado House Minority Leader Mike May | Denver, Colo.

2008 * Resource and public land policy intern, U.S. Senator Wayne Allard | Washington, D.C.

**Firefighting offseason*

SKILLS & STRENGTHS

- Editing and writing for name-brand national and state media outlets
- Media outreach, including Associated Press stylebook, press releases and op-eds
- Incorporating AI into professional and accurate communication materials
- Identifying, managing and developing young communication professionals
- Media and writing coach with developed, tested curriculum
- Data-driven tracking and measurement of communication outcomes