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To: Julie Pryor

Subject: Boards and Commissions Application Submission by Keith Townsend

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The Boards and Commissions Application from cityofls.net was submitted.

I wish to apply for: Cultural Commission

Name: Keith Townsend

Home Address:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

District registered to vote:

Years as a resident:

High School Attended: Smith-Cotton High School

College Attended: University of Texas @ El Pas9o

Current Employment: Metropolitan Community College Longview

Position Held: Theatre Professor

Interest Response: I have been and arts administrator with two of the school districts in El Paso, TX (9 years) and served as the Artistic Director of El Paso Community College (21 years). Additionally, I was the Artistic Director of the annual outdoor pageant VIVA! EL PASO for 5 years prior to moving back to Missouri after retiring from Texas. My past experiences as a theatre performer, director and arts administrator I understand the production demands essential to the performing art as well as funding opportunities required for successful arts programming. As a member of the MCC Longview staff I believe that the college representation can be a great source of information and open the door to some positive collaboration between the city of Lee's Summit and the college.

Other Activities: I am member of the Spirit of Hope Church in Kansas City. I enjoy attending both arts events and Chiefs and Royals games. I go camping in the Branson area several times in the summer and enjoy spending time with the family.

Do you have a demonstrated interest, competence of knowledge in history, humanities, fine art, performing art, public art, natural resources, or cultural resources: Yes

Please elaborate on above: An arts educator for 40+ years, arts administrator at the high school and college level as well as working as an artistic director with professional regional theatre (VIVA! El Paso). Served on the Texas K-16 Theatre Alignment State Commission.

Do you have experience as a/an: Historic District Homeowner

Please elaborate on above: I purchased a home a block down from Harry Truman's home in the historical district of Independence, MO.

Are you a representative of a governmental entity, not-for-profit organization, service agency, organizational alliance, or other group whose mission and purpose is to meet the many health and wellness needs of the residents of Lee's Summit:

Please elaborate on above:

Current LS Boards: N/A

Term(s) Expires:

Past LS Boards or other community: Vice-President and President of The Rio Grande Council of Theatres (El Paso, TX). El Paso Community Foundation VIVA! Committee (El Paso, TX).

Other Interests:

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