



APPLICATION FOR CITY OF DULUTH BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Mayor's Appointments Advisory Committee
411 West First Street, Room 330
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Type in your information by tabbing through the boxes below. Print the application and submit to the address above.

DATA CLASSIFICATION ADVISORY: Please be advised that the information that you are requested to provide is classified as private data pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13.001, subd. 3, except for the following data which is classified as public data: (1) name; (2) city of residence except when the appointment has a residency requirement that requires the entire address to be public; (3) education and training; (4) employment history; (5) volunteer work; (6) awards and honors; (7) prior government service.

If you are appointed to a position on a board or commission, the following additional data will be classified as public data: (1) residential address; (2) either a telephone number or electronic mail address where the appointee can be reached, or both at the request of the appointee. Any electronic mail address or telephone number provided by the city for use by an appointee shall be public. An appointee may use an electronic mail address or telephone number provided by the public body as the designated electronic mail address or telephone number at which the appointee can be reached.

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DATE 6/9/15

APP# 1014

CC DIST 4TH

DOA _____

BAC _____

NAME Yvonne M. Solon

OCCUPATION: Retired PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: N/A

ARE YOU PRESENTLY SERVING ON A CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION? YES ☐ NO ☐

IF YES, WHICH ONE(S)? State authorities -DECC & Duluth Seaway Port Authority Boards (Governor appointed)

WHICH BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR? (List up to 3 in order of preference.) Also list what types of experience or education you have had that would help you be an effective member.

CHOICE 1: WLSSD

EXPERIENCE OR EDUCATION RELATING TO CHOICE 1:

25 years elected office working at city and state level to support legislative initiatives of the WLSSD, e.g. storm water separation, bonding for storm water retention tanks and pumping stations, solid waste disposal and recycling policies, etc.

CHOICE 2: _____

EXPERIENCE OR EDUCATION RELATING TO CHOICE 2:

CHOICE 3: _____

EXPERIENCE OR EDUCATION RELATING TO CHOICE 3:

**DULUTH PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (DPUC)
APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT**

(To only be filled out if applying for the Duluth Public Utilities Commission)

QUESTION 1:

Specify which TWO utilities regulated by the DPUC that you use and pay for.

Natural gas, street lighting

Water, sanitary sewer, storm water service

QUESTION 2:

Specify your expertise in the areas of utility operation, finance and utility construction or other relevant experience and the duration of the experience.

****I am NOT applying to be considered for the DPUC

At the age of 15, I was my school's representative to Youth Civic Forum, a year-long program that met weekly to educate teens about city government. At the culmination of the program, my peers elected me Water and Sewage Treatment Director which I proudly served for one-week in June. The treatment facility preceded the Sanitary Sewer Board of the WLSSD, but served a similar function with much less modern techniques.

While serving on the Duluth City Council from 1988-2000, our council debated and adopted precedents to current recycling, solid waste removal and storm water separation policy (sump pump and roof drainage).

While serving in MN state elected office from 2002-2015, I actively sponsored and advocated for WLSSD legislation that bonded for remedies to comply with and abate further constraints of the consent decree. I also chaired the senate energy committee and authored nation-leading renewable energy, conservation and carbon reduction legislation. I held at least monthly meetings with the MN PUC to review rates, policy and obstacles to progress. These experiences prepare me to be a helpful resource as WLSSD embarks on a journey toward energy neutrality.

I have served as a member and officer on dozens of boards. I was a clinical psychologist by training and profession and have education, experience and success in group dynamics and board membership.