

Kapusta-Pofahl, Karen

From: John Guequierre [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 26, 2023 1:16 PM
To: Common Council Executive Committee
Subject: District 19 Vacancy Application
Attachments: Guequierre District 19 2024 vacancy application (final 2023-12-26).pdf

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Dear Common Council Executive Committee,

I'm attaching my application to fill the District 19 vacancy created by Alder Slack's resignation. Thank you for your consideration.

John Guequierre

APPLICATION
DISTRICT 19 ALDER VACANCY
JOHN GUEQUIERRE

Name: John Phillip Guequierre

Address: [REDACTED] 53717-2239

Contact Information:

- Telephone Number: [REDACTED]
- E-Mail address: [REDACTED]

Biographical resume to include education, work, neighborhood, and civic experience

Personal Basics

- Grew up in Mukwonago (Milwaukee-area)
- Graduated Mukwonago Union High School, UW-Madison (BA) and University of Chicago (MBA)
- Madison resident since 2013
- Married to Polly for 55 years, 3 children, 3 grandchildren

Work Experience

- 1968-1972 – Designing IT systems for a major steel company (Chicago, IL and East Chicago, IN)
- 1972-1983 – Problem solving at housing, real estate development, and building products subsidiaries of a major steel company – rescue, sell, or liquidate, various locations including Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio, Washington, DC, Maryland, California.
- 1983-2016 – Senior Leadership for various companies building panelized, manufactured, and modular buildings; Includes being CFO of a public company after managing its initial and secondary public offerings and managing factories and sales throughout the US with sales in the US, Canada, Mexico, and Europe.
- 2016-present – Principal of I-OSC, LLC, a consultancy assisting developers (non-profit and for-profit), general contractors, engineers, architects, in utilizing off-site construction for affordable and sustainable buildings.
- 2020-present – Board member of Otologic Technologies, Inc., a company commercializing artificial intelligence to improve the diagnosis of ear diseases.

Neighborhood and Civic Activities

- 1980's and 90's – Chair of Elkhart County United Way, Chair of Indiana Association of United Ways, Leader of various 4-H activities, board member of Elkhart County, IN 4-H Saddle Club, various church leadership positions.
- 2014-current – Various church leadership positions, Covenant Presbyterian Church (Madison, WI)
- 2013-current – Board member, Wexford Village Homes Association (Madison, WI)
- 2013-current – Volunteer, MERLIN Mentors - assisting early-stage entrepreneurs launch their companies (University Research Park, Madison, WI)

In 2018, I became an active participant in several City of Madison community outreach activities, including City Engineering's Pheasant Branch watershed study and City Planning's Odana, East Towne, and West Area plans. I have continued this involvement.

In 2023, I ran for Common Council in District 19. Although I was not elected, I had an opportunity to engage with thousands of District 19 residents through various campaign activities including personally knocking on 2189 doors.

I'm currently involved with 350 Wisconsin as a co-leader of multiple efforts collaborating on Madison, UW-Madison, and Dane County projects.

I was recently appointed to City of Madison's Sustainable Madison Committee.

Statement of motivation for serving

Madison is widely acknowledged as a special and dynamic city evidenced by its status as the fastest growing region in Wisconsin. I believe it's important to sustain and build on that success. Despite the obvious historic success, there is still a long-standing, pervasive, and stubbornly perpetuating chasm between Madison's majority and its most vulnerable residents.

I'm motivated to contribute to dealing with Madison's challenges and expanding opportunities. At this point in my life and the City's, I believe my experience and skills align with those challenges and opportunities. For example, my knowledge and experience of development could help in addressing our affordable housing crisis including a focus on essential initiatives to reduce greenhouse gases. My financial and budgeting experience will be of use in confronting the difficult 2025 budget later this year.

Finally, the problems arising from Alder turnover are well known. I believe I am well prepared to contribute quickly to Council business even though I'm not a former Alder. In addition to my leadership in the Wexford Village Homes Association (764 homes on the West Side), I regularly listen to Council and committee meetings. I've immersed myself in recent operating and capital budgets. I've studied City of Madison vision plans, including the Comprehensive Plan, neighborhood plans, Complete Green Streets and concepts like Transit-Oriented Development. I understand that there is much I don't know and I'm eager to collaborate with other current and retired Alders to ensure that I can provide prudent and informed representation for District 19.

Statement of desired accomplishments

I recognize a lot of the job is focused on reacting to issues as they arise, that progress can be slow, and that there are multiple high profile projects going on in District 19 or adjacent to District 19 (i.e. West Area Plan, possible large development on Old Sauk Rd, Sauk Creek reconstruction discussions, continued implementation of the Odana Area Plan, etc), but my areas of focus would be:

- Continuing to increase the supply of affordable housing, including increasing density where appropriate and supporting the necessary financing initiatives.
- Contributing to the updating of the Sustainability Plan, including plans for implementing the stated goals with appropriate incentives and accountability.
- Supporting the completion of the BRT initiative (go-live on West/East line, and supporting North/South development) and other transportation projects that reduce personal automobile miles and speed the transition from fossil fuels to electricity.
- Smart budgeting – addressing the looming structural deficit with care for Madison's values and vision, and specifically sustaining the multi-year operating and capital funding that redresses historical inequities.

- Involvement in engineering projects focused on flood resilience to address stormwater which greatly impacted District 19 in 2018.

I believe it's incredibly important for us to continue to strive for a safe and livable Madison for all of residents and I'm eager to support programs that continue progress on this goal including the expansion of our CARES program.

Statement of intention for running in Spring 2025 election

It's very unlikely I would run for election in Spring 2025.

From: [Joshua Miller](#)
To: [Common Council Executive Committee](#)
Subject: District 19 Alder application Joshua Miller
Date: Friday, December 22, 2023 11:04:09 AM
Attachments: [Resume Complete.pdf](#)

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Salutations,

Attached is my complete resume which has most of what was asked for in the application process. I will just attach the other statements to this email.

I would like to start off by saying I have no civic experience and I just moved here from out of state. I hope to serve to make life better for the people who live in this part of the city, and maybe learn and assist from other districts to help improve the city as a whole. I would like to assist people who are struggling to find a safe place to sleep at night or food to eat as I know how that feels. I would also like to try to find a solution to provide everyone with affordable housing that doesn't infringe on the beauty of all the local wildlife and parks nearby. I would also like to expand the city park systems, from what I've seen here there are a lot of parks but most are small. I would like to connect some of the smaller parks to the bigger parks, or expand the bigger parks to encompass the smaller parks so people can feel more safe to and enjoy these little pieces of nature surrounding the city. There are plenty of parks around the city, none of them seem interconnected via pathway for walking or riding a bicycle without using a city street or sidewalk. I'm also interested in seeing what the water quality around the city and state while trying to implement ways to provide everyone with clean uncontaminated water. And hopefully learn what it takes to become a great city council member along the way as I'm sure there is more that comes with the territory. I would only run for 2025 election if I felt that I did well enough to deserve a name on the ballot.

Best wishes,
Joshua Miller

Joshua A. Miller

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 53795
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

SUMMARY

I am a hardworking individual capable of leading a large group of people to a similar goal. I have the ability to pick up new work skill fast and once I am shown or explained the correct way to do anything I will remember. Once I am assigned a task, I will ensure the task is completed correctly and in a timely manner.

SUMMARY OF SKILLS

Leadership
Integrity
Work Ethic
Dedication
Learning Ability

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

U.S. Marine Corps, Twentynine Palms, CA

Title of position: AFCO/UT Platoon Sergeant

Sergeant

09/2020 – 01/2022

Description of duties: Daily accountability and ensuring wellbeing of Marines.

Ensure training and PME completion for platoon.

Disseminate information from the command down to the Platoon.

Conduct daily physical training with platoon.

Advise SNCOIC/OIC about upcoming operations, maintenance, and updates about Marines inside the Platoon.

Camp Hansen, Okinawa, Japan

Title of position: 31st MEU/CLB- 31 Waterside Chief Engineer Platoon

Sergeant

07/2017 – 09/2020

Description of duties: To coordinate and plan water purification operations across PACOM as the SME for CLB-31. Ensure all Marines and gear are in good working order to deploy within 48 hours across PACOM for combat or humanitarian missions.

Camp Hansen, Okinawa, Japan

Title of position: 9th ESB Lot Chief/ MTU Chief

Private First Class -Sergeant

07/2014 – 07/2017

Description of duties: Operate and maintain 30 million dollars' worth of water purification gear to deploy within 72 hours in PACOM. Ensure the physical and mental readiness for 60 Marines

under my charge. To train and ensure all Marines have fired pistol/ rifle range every year. Creating rosters for all Marines on range and uploading scores to MCTIMS.

Camp Lejeune, North Carolina
Private-Private First Class

10/2013 – 05/2014

Description of duties: Required to complete MCT to transition to engineer school. Once at engineer school complete all classes assigned. Ensure the accountability and punctuality of all Marines in class as guide.

L.A. Cuts Landscaping, Ocala, Florida
Landscaper

08/2010 – 09/2013

Visually inspect all vehicles and equipment are in good working order. Ensure team members arrive to each job site on time and work to expectations set out by the company. Interact with customers on the quality of work done on their property and ask if any there are any additional requests they would like completed.

Pizza Hut

2011-2013

Delivery Driver/Cook

Cook all food according to the recipes while ensuring quality products are being served. Work well as a team member to get the job and done while keeping the place tidy. Deliver pizza and collect money or signatures as needed.

Lowe's/Sears Ocala, Florida
Warehouse Associate

2007-2010

Ensure the trucks were correct and unload all contents and organize them for stock or out on the floor and assist with stocking. Obtained forklift, scissor lift certification. Assist the customer when needed, help to load vehicles if needed. Organize warehouse and lots when needed. Assemble various things such as grills, workout equipment, lawnmowers etc.

McDonald's/Wendy's Ocala, Florida
Cook/Cashier

2004-2006

To arrive at work on time and as part of a team to complete orders in a timely fashion. Rather than cooking in the back or handling orders in the front or drive-thru. Ensure working areas and customers areas were clean. Ensuring that each customer got the order they wanted and treat everyone with respect.

EDUCATION/TRAINING

High School

Forrest High School/ Marion Technical Institute- Automotive

2003-2007

College

San Bernardino Valley College – General Studies

2022-2023

LICENSES

Forklift/ scissor lift

MEP 1040/ 1070 generator

LWPS/ TWPS water purifier

WQAS-P water testing kit

M26 JSTDS-SS CBRN decontamination washer

AWARDS/RECONGITIONS

United States Marine Corps- National Defense Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon x5, Humanitarian Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal x2, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

Kapusta-Pofahl, Karen

From: Rick [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 4:11 PM
To: Common Council Executive Committee
Subject: Application for District 19 Alder - Richard Pearson
Attachments: Richard Pearson - Application for District 19 Alder.pdf

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Application for District 19 Alder Position - January 2024

Richard Pearson

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 53705

Email: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]

My name is Richard Pearson and I am submitting this letter as part of my application for the position of District 19 Alder. Thank you for your consideration.

If appointed, I believe that my experience and enthusiasm will be exceptionally helpful to the near-term needs of the Common Council, the City of Madison and my District. In particular, I am eager to put in the work and contribute to the Council's efforts to address matters of importance including budget issues, housing issues and transportation issues, among others.

I grew up in Spring Harbor and graduated from Madison West High School in 1990. I earned my bachelors degree in Finance from the University of Southern California, graduating magna cum laude. While at USC, I also studied Mandarin, and spent my summers working in factories in Beijing, China. After graduating from USC, I spent nine years working as a banker for Deutsche Bank, first in Hong Kong and later in London and New York. After leaving Deutsche Bank I spent more than ten years pursuing my own investment strategies, mostly based out of Los Angeles, China or Indonesia. I moved back to Madison in 2021 to help my elderly parents manage medical and financial issues and to help them with a transition into assisted living. I plan on staying here in Madison for the future.

I do not have past experience as an employee of local government, however I have extensive experience interacting with various government bodies and financial industry regulators as part of my banking career. I believe that my extensive career experience will make me immediately useful to the Common Council and to my District. Furthermore, I would come into this role with no preexisting biases with respect to specific polices or people.

The skills I will bring to the Common Council include financial-analytical skills, committee-teamwork skills and, in particular, extremely potent communication skills.

During my finance career, I have worked as a team member on a substantial number of large-scale multi-stage investment projects which required my colleagues and I to analyze and understand complicated budgets and timelines. In order for such projects to succeed, it was essential that I be able to communicate the nuanced and intricate benefits and outcomes of these projects to various stakeholders, including to those who were not financial experts and who often had very limited time to build their understanding.

I have extensive experience working within committees and teams. I make it a priority to be succinct and decisive so as to make respectful use of everyone's time. To achieve this, I spend as much time as necessary to be well prepared in advance of all meetings. I strive to be attentive to and respectful of the views and needs expressed by my colleagues.

Before deciding to submit this application, I first reached out to outgoing Alder Kristin Slack and then to three previous District 19 Alders. I met with each of them in person to ask for their thoughts and to get a sense of whether or not my skill set would make me effective and useful in this role. As a result of these discussions, I decided to submit my application for this position.

I am aware that the responsibilities of Madison's Alders are both numerous and complicated. However, I believe that I can get up to speed very quickly. In addition to my discussions with District 19 Alders, I have already spent considerable time watching the online recordings of past Common Council meetings on Madison's City Channel.

I believe strongly that I can also be an extremely effective advocate for social initiatives in Madison in ways which may not be intuitive at first glance. I am a middle aged, Caucasian male, which in Wisconsin means I sit squarely in the majority. However, for much of my adult life I lived in countries where I was very much an outsider. There have been many, many instances where I was refused service by shop keepers, or I was over charged by businesses or I was publicly insulted by strangers simply due to the way I look, the way I talk or where I am from. Now that I am back in Wisconsin, I believe I am in a very strong position to help persuade the majority about the importance of preventing discrimination while engaging with diverse communities to help make this happen.

I have longstanding ties and commitment to Madison and to this District. I reside at in Spring Harbor, the same address where I lived during high school. My parents, grandparents and great grandparents all lived in this neighborhood. Residents throughout District 19 can expect that I will be attentive and responsive to their concerns. Likewise, I also believe that I can expect substantial local support in District 19 behind my efforts to be a productive Alder.

It is not currently my intention to run for Alder in 2025, but I will commit to remaining open minded. When I saw this vacancy open up, I viewed it as a call to service into a position where I know I can be extremely helpful to the Common Council. To this end, I am eager to put in the time and energy to play a helpful and supportive role. Thank you again for considering my application

Sincerely,

Richard Pearson

(In case of formatting issues, I have also attached a copy of this application in pdf format)

Kapusta-Pofahl, Karen

From: Joseph Roling [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 1:53 AM
To: Common Council Executive Committee
Subject: District 19 alder application

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Hello,

Joseph Roling
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 53705
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Hello, I am a lifelong Madisonian, who grew up in the Meadowood area of the west side of Madison. I have an undergraduate degree in history from the UW-Madison and a masters degree in liberal arts from the University of Chicago.

My father ran a successful business downtown, until retirement. I've had more of circuitous career adventure in Madison, working at Ciatti's in high school, working in landscaping, hotels, transporting people with special needs, managing a downtown apartment building, and eventually working in communications and web development at the Wisconsin Medical Society and SSM Health.

I know Madison intrinsically through its history, culture, leaders, growth and politics. I have always been a huge promoter of Madison through exchange programs such as ECI (France), the Madison-Oslo Sister City Program, and Youth for Understanding (Japan). I have weighed in (as a resident) on numerous issues from racial and social diversity, high-speed rail, bike trails, affordable housing, health care, mass transit, energy policy, clean lakes, historic preservation, quality of life, arts and culture, and "what should we do about State Street."

I wish to serve because I come from a Madison that made it easier for me to come out as a gay man. It pioneered socially-conscious policing, recycling, affordable housing, and mixed-income developments. I want to help preserve the qualities that made Madison a star city, as it transitions into a major metropolitan area - qualities that can so easily be lost to more powerful interests. I am passionate about racial and economic equality, support of small businesses, urban design innovation, historic preservation, education and overall life quality.

My hope, as an alder, would be to accomplish being a faithful custodian of Madison's unique culture, while advocating for innovations that afford a high quality of life for ALL residents - innovations that support diversity, social equity, progressiveness, environmental protection and efforts to reverse climate change.

I only plan to run for the spring 2025 election if I feel that in this role, I have pleased my constituents and can accomplish more for them in future terms.

Thank you,

Joseph M. Roling

January 9, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to formally apply to fill the vacancy for the Common Council District 19 seat.

I am interested in serving in the vacant alder position as a way to give back further to the city that I have called home for more than three decades. I have over thirty years of experience working in the Madison community, and over the course of my career, I have built strong relationships with a wide variety of organizations and individuals that have led to successful outcomes. As a former at-large Commissioner on Madison's Urban Design Commission and Landmark Commission, I have an understanding and familiarity with the city and its processes. This also allowed me the opportunity to get to know some Madison city staff and alders. I would be excited to work with staff and other alders to address the need for housing (including affordable housing) and smart equitable solutions as Madison deals with the growth in population, to work collaboratively to find community-based answers to crime and violence here, to protect our beautiful lakes, and to continue to improve transportation.

My experiences serving on Madison commissions, and my employment roles, have provided me opportunities to hone many skills needed for this position. I have worked extensively in the planning and oversight of community and patient/family centered programs, initiated and participated in numerous improvement efforts, presented in a wide range of public forums, and coordinated a variety of diverse initiatives to improve and enhance the experience of community members, patients, families, and visitors. Over the course of my career, I have developed my communication and administration skills which have allowed me to succeed in a complex work and civic environment. I also have significant experience utilizing databases for record keeping and analysis along with creating and overseeing budgets for various programs.

I look forward to the opportunity for new challenges and successes through this position. I would not, at this point, plan to run for the alder position in the Spring 2025 election. My interest lies in stepping up to assist my district upon Alder Slack's resignation. I am confident that my skills and expertise would serve me well in this role. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Rosenblum

Michael Rosenblum

53705, [REDACTED]

PROFILE Passionate and experienced administrator with a proven track record of productivity and efficiency. Adept at managing day-to-day operations to ensure positive staff & volunteer morale. Outstanding connector of stakeholders with similar goals. Strong advocate of cross-functional teamwork.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Dec 2021 - present Senior Director of Family Experience, RMHC-Madison Madison, WI

- Direct and oversee staff at the Ronald McDonald House and Ronald McDonald Family Room at SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital-Madison
- Manage and develop program budgets
- Represent RMHC-Madison to guests, hospital partners, public and policymakers

Mar 2020 — Jul 2021 COVID Emergency Response, UW Health Madison, WI

- Managed patient and visitor screening at University Hospital and American Family Children's Hospital, a 24/7 operation with a team of 10 supervisors and 60+ screeners. 2,500 patients and visitors screened per day. Established training program for screeners at all UW Health facilities.
- Developed and implemented employee screening process over the course of a weekend in order to ensure the health and safety of all entering UW Health facilities. Managed employee screening at University Hospital and American Family Children's Hospital. 7,000 people screened per day.
- Planned for opening and staffing of vaccine clinics.
- Member of Community Development Strategy Team that coordinated donations. Secured mass quantity PPE donations from around the world. Created new streams of PPE production with dozens of manufacturers across the state. Set up PPE donation site to collect items from local community.

Dec 2005 — Jul 2021 Volunteer Services Manager, UW Health Madison, WI

- Directed the operations, program development, financial and personnel activities for the Volunteer Services Department. Volunteers provided an average of 80,000 volunteer hours per year at UW Health. This equates to \$1.8 million of labor equivalence.
- Managed five-member department, over 100 supervisors of volunteer roles, and 1200 volunteers.
- Evaluated all volunteer programs to assure that they reflected the needs of the organization and utilized volunteers effectively.
- Ensured that all volunteers received general orientation, safety, infection control and HIPAA training, health screening, criminal background checks and other training as needed prior to their start.
- Lead monthly general orientations for an average of 125 prospective volunteers.
- Coordinated compliance efforts with Human Resources, Employee Health Services, Infection Control, Legal, and Risk Management departments.
- Developed and implemented new, creative/innovative volunteer programs and activities to assist staff, patients and visitors and help ensure patient and family centered care.
- Retained and recognized volunteers. Planned and hosted four volunteer recognition events annually for up to 300+ guests along with ongoing appreciation efforts throughout the year.

Jun 1999 — Jan 2006 Director of Community Outreach, Jewish Federation of Madison Madison, WI

- Developed and implemented cultural programming and community events and observances.
- Developed and continued positive relations with other minority communities.
- Developed and continued positive interfaith community relations.
- Developed and oversaw program budgets.
- Coordinated development and supervised staff at the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Jewish

Community Campus, a 154 acre site that is the home of Camp Shalom and the Goodman Pool, an AIA Wisconsin Design Award winning project.

Jun 1993 — Jun 1999 Volunteer/Group Coordinator, Jewish Social Services Madison, WI

- Recruited, trained, placed, supervised and recognized over 600 volunteers in a variety of programs.
- Organized and oversaw ESL tutors and conversation partners for resettled immigrants.
- Provided assistance with immigration issues and documents.
- Coordinated weekly nutrition site for senior adults.
- Coordinated holiday outreach and other special programs.

EDUCATION

Sep 1989 — May 1992 J.D., Washington University School of Law St. Louis, MO

- Fisse Scholarship
- Tuition Remission Scholarship
- Student Bar Association, Elected Representative (1989 – 1992)

Sep 1985 — May 1989 B.A. History, University of Texas at Austin Austin, TX

- National Merit Scholarship
- Awarded Dean's List Honors
- Liberal Arts Student Council, Elected Representative (1986 – 1989)

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Jul 2015 — Jul 2018 City of Madison Urban Design Commission Madison, WI • At-Large Commissioner

Sep 2003 — Jun 2015 City of Madison Landmarks Commission Madison, WI • At-Large Commissioner

Dec 2001 — May 2008 Madison Area Urban Ministry Madison, WI

- Board Member, December 2001 – May 2008
- Vice President, December 2003 – May 2008

Mar 2001 — Dec 2001 Dane County Latino Workers Project Madison, WI • Member of Fact-Finding Delegation

Jun 1993 — Present Dane County Administrators of Volunteer Services Madison, WI

- Member, June 1993 – present
- Board Member, January 1994 – June 1999
- Vice President, January 1996 – January 1997
- President, January 1997 – January 1998

Jun 1992 — Present Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association Madison, WI

- Member, June 1992 – present
- Board Member, April 1994 – April 1999
- Vice President, April 1995 – April 1996
- President, April 1996 – April 1998