

## **VILLAGE OF COTTAGE GROVE**

221 E. Cottage Grove Road Cottage Grove, WI 53527



September 10, 2020

Dear Plan Commissioner:

The Village of Cottage Grove Board of Trustees recently authorized Village President John Williams to form a Housing Task Force to study housing issues in the community. Affordability, variety, and accommodating the needs of current and future residents and businesses will be among the issues studied.

Affordability in particular presents a growing problem in Dane County. The Dane County Housing Task Force produced a video on the topic that provides a good introduction: [video link](#)

The Village is seeking interested people from a variety of backgrounds to represent the varied needs of residents and businesses in Cottage Grove. We are reaching out to you in hope that either you, or someone from your organization, will choose to participate. We expect the workload to be one meeting per month for approximately one year. During that time the task force will work to create a document presenting findings and suggestions that can be used by Village Staff, the Plan Commission, the Community Development Authority, and the Village Board for future decision making, and to educate the community about this important issue.

If you are interested in participating, or if you would like to learn more, please contact Village President John Williams ([jwilliams@village.cottage-grove.wi.us](mailto:jwilliams@village.cottage-grove.wi.us)).

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erin Ruth', is written in a cursive style.

Erin Ruth, AICP

Director of Planning & Development

**Village of Cottage Grove Board**  
**Application for Appointment to Village Commissions/Committees**

If you are interested in serving the community as a committee member, please complete this application form and return it by email to the village clerk: [lkalata@village.cottage-grove.wi.us](mailto:lkalata@village.cottage-grove.wi.us) or you can mail it to Village Hall, c/o Lisa Kalata, 221 E. Cottage Grove Road, Cottage Grove, WI 53527. Committee applications are kept on file and reviewed as necessary to fill vacancies. For more information about committees, please refer to our website: [www.village.cottage-grove.wi.us](http://www.village.cottage-grove.wi.us). If you have additional questions, please contact Village hall at (608) 839-4704, or Lisa Kalata at [lkalata@village.cottage-grove.wi.us](mailto:lkalata@village.cottage-grove.wi.us). Thank you for your interest!

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<b>Choose a Committee(s)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ad Hoc Architectural Review Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Ad Hoc Glacial Drumlin Bike Path Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development Authority <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Government Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Finance and Personnel Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Flynn Hall Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Task Force <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Library Planning Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance Review Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks, Recreation & Forestry Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Peer Court Steering Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Plan Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Police Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works & Properties Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability Committee <input type="checkbox"/> Tourism Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____

Background (related experiences, skills or qualifications):
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Why you are interested in this committee(s):
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