

**La Junta Urban Renewal Authority
Authority Commissioner Application
September 2019**

Thank you for your interest in becoming a La Junta Urban Renewal commissioner. Urban renewal authorities (URAs) are created by municipalities to redevelop areas within their jurisdiction that are found to contain blight or slum conditions and require public participation to attract redevelopment. Urban renewal is the act of revitalizing a failing urban area in order to restore economic vitality and improve the safety of the area. The urban renewal statute can be used for development as well as redevelopment. An urban renewal project is a public/private partnership.

La Junta's Urban Renewal Authority meets on the second Thursday of each month at 4pm at the CORE Center, 207 ½ Colorado. Before completing this application, please make certain that your schedule permits you to attend all or most of the meetings.

We are looking for vibrant, civic-minded members of the community who are committed to revitalizing our TIF district, which we shepherd. We encourage creative, analytical thinkers who can argue a good point and convince others or concede to the consensus of the Authority with good will. We are especially interested in increasing the capacity of the Authority with those familiar with finance, real estate, business, urban design, and historic preservation, but other specialties are welcome as well.

The applications can be obtained from Melanie Scofield, mスコフィールド@ci.la-junta.co.us or Cynthia Nieb, cynthia.nieb@ojc.edu They are also available on the City of La Junta website at www.ci.la-junta.co.us Please complete all of the contact information and the questions and return to Melanie Scofield, City of La Junta, City Clerk, 601 Colorado Avenue, PO Box 489, La Junta, CO 81050. If you have questions, please contact Cynthia Nieb at 719-384-3601, cynthia.nieb@ojc.edu. Our next Urban Renewal Meeting is 4:00pm, Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 207 1/2 Colorado Avenue: we can include your application in the Board Packet if you send it to Cynthia Nieb by noon October, 2019. Thank you for applying!

Date:

First and Last Name:

Address:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

1. How will your experience and background assist you in serving on the Authority?

2. What do you know about urban renewal authorities?

3. Why are you a good choice for this position?

4. What would you like the Authority to focus on in the future?