

Jessica L Ortiz



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Dear Town Clerk,

I am writing to express my sincere interest in the open member position on the Town of New Haven's Planning Board. My fiancé and I recently built our home in New Haven, and we both have strong ties to the New Haven and Mexico communities. As a new homeowner and invested resident, I have been looking for ways to contribute to our town's growth and development, and I believe serving on the Planning Board would be an excellent opportunity to do so.

I bring a combination of professionalism, strategic thinking, and a strong work ethic to the table. As the Community Reinvestment & Fair Lending Officer at Pathfinder Bank, I ensure compliance with federal and New York State banking laws and regulations, oversee compliance policies, and manage the customer complaint program, reporting directly to the Board of Directors each quarter. My previous experience as a residential mortgage underwriter allowed me to review plans and specifications for new homes, which gave me a deep appreciation for the planning and development process.

Beyond my professional background, I am a self-starter with strong interpersonal skills and sound judgment. I take pride in my ability to analyze complex information, collaborate effectively, and contribute creative solutions. I believe my experience and perspective would be valuable to the Planning Board, and I would welcome the opportunity to support the town's vision for responsible growth and development.

I would appreciate the opportunity to further discuss my interest in this role. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience if additional information is needed. Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

*Jessica L Ortiz*