



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No: 29759

RESOLUTION

R - 2019

Introduced by the Administration on February 6, 2019

Authorities, Boards, Commissions Appointments

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

City Council does hereby give advice and consent to the following appointment to the Allentown Neighborhood Improvement Zone Development Authority (ANIZDA) submitted to this Council by Mayor Ray O'Connell.

ALLENTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ZONE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (ANIZDA)

Adrian Shanker

520 W. Hamilton Street

#503

Allentown, PA 18101

Term Expiration: 01/09/2024

	Yea	Nay
Candida Affa	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
Daryl Hendricks	X	
Cynthia Mota	X	
Courtney Robinson	X	
Ed Zucal	X	
Roger MacLean, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	7	0

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above copy of Resolution No. 29759 was adopted by the City Council of Allentown on the 6th day of February, 2019, and is on file in the City Clerk's Office.



 City Clerk



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TO: Michael Hanlon
City Clerk

FROM: Ray O'Connell *ROC*
Interim Mayor

DATE: January 23, 2019

SUBJECT: Authorities, Boards, Commissions Appointments

Mayor O'Connell has approved the following appointments and reappointments for City Council's consideration.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authority/Board/Commission</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
Frank R. Frankenfield	Sheet Metal Technician Board	05/06/2022
Oldrich Foucek III Esquire	Allentown Planning Commission	01/01/2022
Marlene E. Granitz	Vacant Property Review/Blighted	01/04/2022
Adrian Shanker	ANIZDA	01/09/2024
Scotty G. Smith	Human Relations Commission	01/25/2022
Mary Viola	Arts Commission	01/06/2024

Mr. Frankenfield's term has expired on the Sheet Metal Technician Board. His resume is attached. Attorney Foucek is being reappointed to the Allentown Planning Commission by the Mayor. His resume is attached. Marlene Granitz is being reappointed by the Mayor. Her resume is attached. Mr. Shanker is replacing Attorney Fouck on ANIZDA. His resume is attached. Scotty Smith is replacing Lady Staci Marie Luton who resigned from the commission. Mary Viola is being reappointed to the Arts Commission. Her resume is attached.

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Attachments

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REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

DATE January 21, 2019

MAYOR'S OFFICE

AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION YOU ARE REQUESTING APPOINTMENT TO: ANIZDA

NAME: Adrian Shanker

HOME ADDRESS: 520 W. Hamilton St. #503, Allentown, PA 18101

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, 522 W. Maple St., Allentown, PA 18101

TELEPHONE NO. (RESIDENCE) (610) 597-8044 **BUSINESS** (610) 347-9988

EMAIL: Adrian@bradburysullivancenter.org

PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY: Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center

JOB TITLE: Executive Director

EMPLOYMENT (Prior): Wolper Information Services (Special Projects Manager)

EDUCATION:

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE: x YES NO
COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY GRADUATE x YES NO
DEGREE/FIELD OF STUDY B.A. in Political Science, Religion Studies
from Muhlenberg College

Graduate Certificate in LGBT Health
Policy & Practice from The George
Washington University

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICES:

Commissioner - Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission
Commissioner - Pennsylvania Commission on LGBTQA Affairs
Board of Directors - ACLU of Pennsylvania
Board Member - Non Profit & Business Partners Council of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce

PAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES HELD:

President, Board of Directors, Equality Pennsylvania (2011-2013)
Commissioner & Vice Chair, City of Allentown Human Relations Commission (2009-2012)

DO YOU LIVE IN THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN: x YES NO

DO YOU HAVE A SIGNIFICANT "BUSINESS" OR "PROPERTY" INTEREST IN ALLENTOWN? PLEASE EXPLAIN:

Yes, I am the Executive Director of Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, which is headquartered at 522 W. Maple St., Allentown PA and which provides arts, health, and youth programs for the LGBT community across the Lehigh Valley.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER:

_____ ☒ **YES** _____ ☐ **NO**

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THIS APPOINTMENT? BE SURE TO INCLUDE WHAT VALUE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD: I've lived in the Lehigh Valley for 15 years. I remember my first semester of college, wandering downtown and knowing I wouldn't stay in Allentown after graduation. But I was wrong. I just didn't know how to find the community I was looking for. The NIZ legislation has sparked a renaissance in downtown Allentown with the rebuilding of a business community and the start of a new skyline. There is much to be applauded. There is also more work to be done, and perhaps to be done with new lenses and new visions. In my conversations with Rep. Schweyer regarding this appointment, I was clear that I believe that the NIZ has so far achieved its stated goals. But it's time to move the goal post. It's time for ANIZDA to increase its prioritization in public spaces, arts & culture, and environmental sustainability. It's also time for ANIZDA to ensure the benefits of the NIZ expand outward into surrounding neighborhoods. As a non-profit executive who also is a tenant in a NIZ-constructed property, I will bring new ideas and new lenses to ANIZDA. And it's time for that to happen.

DO YOU ANTICIPATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BY SERVING AS A MEMBER OF AN AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION: No

IF YES, EXPLAIN: Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center is just outside of the NIZ. And I have checked with the Chief Counsel of PHRC and she did not anticipate there would be a conflict of interest with ANIZDA.

IF YOU ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR REAPPOINTMENT, PLEASE INDICATE HOW MANY TERMS YOU HAVE SERVED _____ AND THE YEAR YOU WERE FIRST APPOINTED _____.

NOTE: This information will be used for making appointments to authorities, boards and commission and in the event you are appointed/reappointed, it may be used as a news release to identify you to the community.



Signature

1/21/19

Date

Please forward this request for appointment, along with a resume to:

Mayor's Office
City Hall
435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

ADRIAN SHANKER

CAREER

FOUNDER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BRADBURY-SULLIVAN LGBT COMMUNITY CENTER – 2014-PRESENT (ALLENTOWN, PA)

COMMISSIONER

PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION – 2018-PRESENT (HARRISBURG, PA)

SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER

WOLPER INFORMATION SERVICES – 2011-2014 (EASTON, PA)

ORGANIZER

SEIU LOCAL 32 BJ – 2010-2011 (ALLENTOWN, PA)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COORDINATOR

CIVIC THEATRE OF ALLENTOWN – 2009-2011 (ALLENTOWN, PA)

SUPERVISOR

MUHLENBERG COLLEGE INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC OPINION - 2006-2009 (ALLENTOWN, PA)

EDUCATION

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Graduate Certificate, LGBT Health Policy & Practice (2017)

MUHLENBERG COLLEGE

B.A. *cum laude* in Political Science & Religion Studies (2009)

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

COMMISSIONER, PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON LGBTQ AFFAIRS - 2018 - PRESENT

OFFICE OF HEALTH EQUITY ADVISORY BOARD, PA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - 2016-2018

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER, LGBT HEALTHLINK - 2016-2018

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ACLU OF PENNSYLVANIA - 2014-PRESENT

LGBT CAUCUS CHAIR AND ELECTED STATE COMMITTEE MEMBER, PENNSYLVANIA
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - 2014-2018

TRANSITION TEAM PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, PENNSYLVANIA AUDITOR GENERAL EUGENE
DEPASQUALE - 2012

PRESIDENT, EQUALITY PENNSYLVANIA - 2011-2013

COMMISSIONER & VICE CHAIR, ALLENTOWN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION - 2009-2012

PUBLISHED WORKS

AUSSENDORF, MARA, JAMIE MAGEE, JEFFREY TURNER, AND ADRIAN SHANKER. **"QUEER AND QUITTING: ADDRESSING SMOKING AS AN LGBTQ ISSUE."** IN *THE ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF LGBTQIA POLICY & ADMINISTRATION*, 156-66. NEW YORK, NY: TAYLOR & FRANCIS, 2018.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

SOCIETY FOR THE SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF SEXUALITY - 2018, 2017

SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATORS - 2018, 2016

CREATING CHANGE: NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LGBT EQUALITY - 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018

PA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, LGBT HEALTH CONFERENCE - 2016, 2017

SELECTED AWARDS

PHILADELPHIA GAY NEWS, PERSON OF THE YEAR - 2018

MUHLENBERG COLLEGE, ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - 2016

BAR ASSOCIATION OF LEHIGH COUNTY, LIBERTY BELL AWARD - 2015

LEHIGH VALLEY BUSINESS, 40 UNDER 40 - 2013

PHILADELPHIA GAY NEWS, PERSON OF THE YEAR - 2012

ALLENTOWN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD - 2008

GLSEN HUDSON VALLEY, LEADERSHIP AWARD - 2005

ANNE FRANK CENTER USA, SPIRIT OF ANNE FRANK AWARD - 2004