



## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL

<b>Applicant Information</b>	
Name:	Nicholas Trostel
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<b>Skills/Abilities/Interests</b>
List your skills, abilities, related volunteer community service and interests relevant to the City Council position.
<p>I have lived in Colorado my entire life and have been a resident of Northglenn for sixteen years. In my time in Colorado and in Northglenn, I have been a college student, an involved member of a local church, a father, and a business professional. I have recently decided to go back to school and complete my Masters degree with a June 2020 graduation date. I have not directly been involved with community services as they relate to the City of Northglenn, but definitely take immense amount of pride in living in the great city. I am sure to attend every event that is put on including the food truck carnival, pirate festival, movies in the park, and other great events. My pride for Northglenn is what keeps me living here and not moving elsewhere. The great events, the delicious water system we have, and the amazing parks and recreation afforded to us. I hope to be more involved in the city going forward.</p>

<b>Questionnaire</b>
Have you lived in the City of Northglenn for at least 12 months? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are you a registered voter? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Did you vote in the 2019 election? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
Will you be able to attend meetings of the City Council? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are you related to any employee, appointee, or elected official of the City? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please list: _____
<b>Why do you want to be appointed to the City Council?</b>
<p>Growing up in Northglenn and in Colorado, I have developed a pride for both. As I am growing professionally in management as accounting and finance, I feel as though my expertise and advice should not be limited to the corporation I am employed with. I feel as though applying my experiences and wisdom can be applied to the growth and development of our great city. I believe with the right amount of planning and organization, the City of Northglenn can grow as a beautiful isolated suburban city with more restaurants and retail to help our economy boom. Irma street between 104th and 112th avenue I feel is a very untapped</p>

resource for restaurants and shops. With the new Light Rail coming online soon, there is potential for home values to grow with the growth of the city and I would truly enjoy being a part of that growth.

How will your education, training, experience, and knowledge of the community make you a suitable candidate to serve as a member of the City Council?

As a lifelong resident of Colorado with half of that in Northglenn, I consider myself a local and most definitely want the best for the community. I know every piece of the city from my years here and enjoy the community it is growing into. I currently have a undergrad in Accounting and will be finishing my Master's Degree in June of 2020. My education as well as 11 years of accounting and finance experience will prove to be very advantageous in decision making, budgeting, and planning for the City.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing the City and how would you propose they be addressed?

Important issues for the City of Northglenn are going to be heavily related to keeping up with the growth and development of surrounding municipalities. To do this, the primary areas of focus will be retaining home values and continuing to expand commerce. The Northglenn Marketplace as well as Irma Drive are areas of focus for growth and development. With the Light Rail opening soon, there is potential to really capitalize on how fast Colorado has grown. Keeping tax revenues in the City and not spreading to Thornton is key. Addressing these concerns will be difficult and the answer will be to entice future developers to take a second look at Northglenn's growing community. With all of the growth, retaining the safe all-American small town feel will be important to me, my family, and other residents.

What vision do you have for the City of Northglenn?

My vision for Northglenn is to be a great safe place to live and raise a family with many parks and recreational offerings. To pay for and upkeep these great amenities, growing our commerce will be key. The community needs to continue to cater and care for our elderly but to also be attractive to young urban professionals to live and start a family. Urban professionals that cannot afford the prices of Denver and surrounding areas but want older classic brick homes, safe well cared for streets, and a diverse offering of restaurants and retail. The Light Rail addition to the community will also be a beneficial addition to our public transportation while reducing traffic. Keeping these areas safe, secure, and attractive to all riders of all ages will be key to the maturity of the community.

In reviewing the City's 2020 Budget, what are you most excited about and why?

In my current career, I spend a lot of time creating, reviewing, and speaking to forthcoming fiscal year budgets and am very comfortable doing so. In reviewing the 2020 budget for Northglenn, I will be excited to see what growth opportunities the city has earmarked. I do know with home values increasing dramatically over the past few years, taxable income has proportionally increased. This increase in tax income will be advantageous in the growth and safety of our community. As I am a long-time member of the community, this not only includes me but also excites me! I think 2020 will be a great year for everyone.

If the Council is debating an item that is, for you, a particularly strong emotional issue, how would you maintain your objectivity?

Working in a professional corporate environment you must learn to keep emotion out of decision making and in the office in general. My ability to leave emotion, politics, and biased perception out of decision making while maintaining objectivity has allowed me to grow quickly into senior management at the company i'm employed with. Being prepared for meetings, understanding the facts, teaching others when necessary are also key in discussing things as a team to reach a collective decision or goal. In my 11+ years of professional employment, it is also very important to remain calm and speak diplomatically with other individuals that attempt to excite or lead you on. This as well as transparent and clear communication has allowed me to become a great manager to my team of 9 employees.

### Supplemental Information

Please provide any additional information or statements that may assist the City Council in giving your application the fullest consideration. You may also attach a resume, letter of interest, or other supplemental information. ***Please note that a resume, letter of interest, or other supplemental information is strongly encouraged, but is not required.***

Current professional Resume is attached.

**Please note:** Relatives of elected and appointed City officials are not eligible for regular full-time employment with the City. In the event that an employee's relative is elected or appointed to Council, the employee will cease to be eligible for City employment during the term of office of the relative. After the term of office for the relative has ended, the employee may re-apply for City employment as vacancies occur. Relatives include spouse, children, parents, grandparents and siblings, as well as members of step-families, foster families, adoptive families, and in-laws. This regulation also applies to other relatives living in the same household.

**Please contact** the Northglenn City Clerk's Office if you need assistance with language access resources or other accommodations.

# Nicholas B. Trostel

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**MPLX L.P. / Marathon Petroleum Corporation (MPC)** Denver, CO 2014 to present  
MPLX, L.P. (NYSE: MPLX), a subsidiary of MPC (NYSE: MPC). MPLX LP is a midstream oil and gas entity engaged in the gathering, processing and transportation of natural gas; the transportation, fractionation, storage and marketing of NGLs; and the gathering and transportation of crude oil.

**Accounting Manager – Joint Venture Financial Reporting** 2019 to present  
*Accounting Supervisor – Joint Venture Financial Reporting* 2016 to 2018  
*Senior Accountant – Joint Venture Financial Reporting* 2015 to 2016  
*Accountant - Joint Venture Financial Reporting* 2014 to 2015

- Manage the preparation all aspects of financial reporting packages for 9 Joint Venture and corresponding yearly audits for 6 JV entities
  - Working routinely with upper management and investment partners in the best interest of growing investments
  - Financial reporting packages include in-depth reporting of the Executive Summary and Income Statement analysis, Balance Sheet reconciliation, forecasted income and volumes, reconciliation and presentation of Statements of Partners' Equity, calculation and payment of distributions of Available Cash, and a thorough analysis of Statements of Cash Flows in accordance with GAAP
  - Extensive understanding of Consolidations Accounting and Equity Method Investments.
  - Completed all aspects of a 6 Joint Venture company audits with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) with footnotes and disclosures including calculating materiality for audits, managing full cycle audit reporting timelines, and completion of GAAP Checklists.
  - Reviewing and approving financials to be distributed to internal and external stakeholders
  - Analyze financial statements for trends and inconsistencies in order to report accurate results to management
  - Managing forecasts and budget processes for each Joint Venture entity.
  - Analyze, review, and facilitate annual Budgets for all Joint Venture entities with internal and field employees.
- Leading and mentoring a seven-employee team
  - Accounting Supervisor Project Controller in West Virginia – Communicate regularly to assure proper treatment of accounting of operating expenses and fixed assets at the largest gas processing facility in the world.
  - Two Accounting Supervisors, two Senior & two Staff Accountants in Denver– Completing financial statements, Journal Entries, and Balance Sheet Reconciliations for my review.
  - Managing ability has resulted in zero turnover in four years in a supervisory role.
- Ad-Hoc Management Reporting Solutions, Project Management, and Systems/Company Setup
  - Reputation of working to solve problems quickly in stressful situations. A “go-to” manager for problem solving and grey area issues. Ability to learn systems and understand big picture quickly and efficiently.
  - Played integral roles in the ground-level creation of over five Joint Venture entities.
  - Creating new companies, accounts, plants and orchestrated reporting solutions for both external and internal consolidated financial reporting.
  - Read and analyzed complex agreements for thorough understanding of new companies.
  - Implementing and reporting solutions from Essbase and Hyperion Financial Management (HFM) for Executive Management.
  - Assistance with implementation of BlackLine Reconciliation Software.
- Managing Internal and External Customer Relationships
  - Frequent communication and ad-hoc reporting solutions with the Executive Teams.
  - Thoroughly and timely respond to internal and external requests for information from all levels, professionally.
  - External customers include producer customers as well as leading monthly partner financial calls.
  - Internal customers include AR/AP, Operations Accounting, Technical Accounting/SEC, Fixed Assets, Legal, Senior Management, and numerous field operations employees to coordinate new projects.
- Continue to expand knowledge of GAAP Guidance and SOX Controls by using internal resources and online research tools to understand day to day operations of our group
- Subject Matter Expert (SME) for Midstream Oil and Gas operations and accounting for Accounting teams

- Training/Teaching Experience
  - Fully managed over a dozen companywide presentation/classes on midstream oil and gas overview, company operations, and complex accounting treatments including ASC 606 and ASC 842.
- Experience with filing quarterly and annual FERC filings for regulated Oil and Gas pipelines – Form 2 and Form 6
- Personal and Professional Core Competencies
  - **Customer Service** – Always have a positive attitude and maintain communicative relationships with internal and external customers.
  - **Results Oriented** – Manage workload effectively and timely to assure a quality product and never miss deadlines. I am consistently implementing process improvements and finding efficiencies in the JV group due to limited staff and tightened reporting deadlines.
  - **Adaptability** – The Joint Venture group is consistently changing and being adaptable is a very important attribute. There is always a need to learn a new contract, system, or procedure to be a member of this team.
  - **Professionalism** – As the Joint Venture group communicates with external customers and senior management monthly, it is important to retain professionalism in email composure, with JV partner calls, and social gatherings.

#### **Epsilon Targeting Data Management**

Lafayette, CO

2010 to 2014

Epsilon (\$700M) is a leading provider of direct marketing and customer relationship management services.

#### **Accountant and Data Royalty Analyst**

- General Ledger Accountant ensuring compliance with G.A.A.P., IFRS, and SOX
- Perform strict Monthly/Annual Account Close Processes, including journal entries, accruals (A/P, T&E, Revenue), Balance Sheet Reconciliations, and intercompany eliminations
- Prepare Financial Statements and Analyze, and Investigate Variances from Month to Month
- Work with international companies across several currencies; Canada, UK, China
- Ad-Hoc reporting solutions for management from database systems
- Teach/Train finance department in Excel and PeopleSoft, including database query management

#### **American Sprinkler Incorporated**

Brighton, CO

2008 to 2010

American Sprinkler is a small Colorado based fire sprinkler installation company.

#### **Accountant**

- Prepare and Analyze Financial Statements for management review including bank reconciliations
- Prepare and File Quarterly and Annual Tax documents
- Project management

#### **EDUCATION**

- **Masters of Science in Professional Accountancy**  
Colorado State University, Anticipated Graduation Date Spring 2020
- **Bachelors of Science in Accounting, with Certificate in German**  
Metropolitan State University of Denver, 2010
- **Candidate - Certified Public Accountant (CPA)**  
Anticipated Completion 2022

#### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

- Advanced MS Office (Focus in Excel and PowerPoint)
- Oracle Accounting Applications
  - Hyperion Financial Management (HFM)
  - Oracle Business Intelligence Reporting
  - Essbase
  - PeopleSoft
- SAP ERP
  - Limited Experience during implementation process from Oracle in current role
- WDesk - is a cloud-based compliance reporting and management solution for midsize and large companies
- GL Wand – Trial Balance based Ad-Hoc Financial Reporting Tool
- BlackLine Accounting Balance Sheet Reconciliation Software
- QuickBooks Accounting Software