

# Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

November 10, 2020

TO:

**Board Members** 

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Open Space Committee

This memo is to request the Board's approval of my appointment of Emily Nink, Arlington, MA, as a member on the Open Space Committee, with a term expiration date of 06/30/2023.

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# **Emily Nink**

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#### Education

Tufts University Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Sept. 2014 - May 2016

MS: Agriculture, Food and Environment

Abstracts Committee Chair, Friedman Student Research Conference

The Johns Hopkins University

Sept. 2010 - Dec. 2013

BS: Global Environmental Change and Sustainability; BA: Spanish

# **Professional Experience**

Policy Associate: Public Health and Tobacco Policy Center (0.8 FTE)

Feb. 2016 - Current

Housed at the Public Health Advocacy Institute, Northeastern University School of Law

- Research, writing, and policy drafting for evidence-based public health policy interventions (policy areas include tobacco control, vaccination, food/nutrition, drinking water, and gun violence prevention)
- Legal technical assistance to state, local governments crafting, enacting, and implementing public health policies, including contributions to policy language, testimony, public comments, and legal memoranda
- ArcGIS services for publications, technical assistance requests, and dissemination of research results
- Presentations at conferences, webinar delivery, and other content delivery to community advocates

#### Research Assistant: Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (0.2 FTE)

Dec. 2019 - Current

■ Background and case study research: policy interventions to improve safe home drinking water

# Principal Investigator: Everett Community Food Assessment & Plan (0.2 FTE) Sept. 2017 – Jun. 2018

- Led Community Food Assessment: convened diverse stakeholders, managed data collection and analysis, conducted focus groups, implemented PhotoVoice project, formed Advisory Board
- Co-wrote Community Food Plan for the City of Everett, MA; wrote ordinances for Food Policy Council

#### Researcher: Food Tank: The Food Think Tank (0.25 FTE)

Feb. 2015 - Feb. 2016

- Publication of more than 130 articles and opinions on foodtank.com, the Huffington Post, and beyond
- Newsletter creation for 200,000+ subscribers, proofreading and editing, fact-checking, press releases
- Research and writing for three in-depth reports, associated press relations and team co-management
- Preparation of presentation slides, speeches, and panel questions for FT President Danielle Nierenberg
- Lead: monthly series on ecological intensification (UN Food and Agriculture Organization partnership)

#### Research Assistant: Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Sept. 2014 - Jun. 2016

- Data collection, analysis, and writing for research titled "Addressing Sales at Massachusetts Farmers' Markets by Examining Perceptions of Produce Attributes Among Producers and Shoppers"
- Research assistance and manuscript preparation: Miriam E. Nelson et al., Alignment of Healthy Dietary Patterns and Environmental Sustainability: A Systematic Review, 7 ADV NUTR 1005-1025 (2016)

#### Research Assistant: Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future (0.4 FTE)

Jan. 2011 - Feb. 2014

- Scientific literature reviews, data collection and analysis, contribution to white papers and book chapters
- Synthesis of Community Food Assessment findings and development of summary materials
- Major contributions to the formation of the Food Policy Networks project; Food Policy Council outreach
- Communications: Livable Future Blog, FPC listserv creation, and Baltimore Food and Faith Project

#### (Volunteer) Development Coordinator: Everett Community Growers

Oct. 2014 - Current

- Fundraising, development, grants administration, fiscal sponsorship management, program evaluation
- Garden education, translation/interpretation, GIS analysis, website and social media, press relations

# Selected Published Works

Stucker, Heidi and Emily Nink, Everett Community Food Assessment & Plan, 2018. Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Everett Community Growers, City of Everett. Available at: <a href="https://bit.ly/2IBYX5g">https://bit.ly/2IBYX5g</a>.

Schumacher, Gus and Emily Nink. "Incentive Programs to Address the Challenges of Hunger, Undernutrition, and Obesity in the United States." The Oxford Handbook of Food, Water and Society, May 8, 2018. https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190669799.013.12.

Joseph, Hugh, Emily Nink, Ashley McCarthy, Ellen Messer, and Sean B. Cash. "The Heirloom Tomato Is "In". Does It Matter How It Tastes?" Food, Culture & Society 20, no. 2 (April 3, 2017): 257–80. https://doi.org/10.1080/15528014.2017.1305828.

Public Health and Tobacco Policy Center, Increasing HPV Vaccine Uptake in New York State: Local-Level Policy Opportunities (2016).

Laura Nixon et al., Examining the public debate on school food nutrition guidelines: Findings and lessons learned from an analysis of news coverage and legislative debates (2016), Berkeley Media Studies Group and PHAI.

Henderson, Savanna and Emily Nink, *The Real Cost of Food: Examining the Social, Environmental, and Health Externalities of Producing Food* (2015), Food Tank.

Tanya Rawe et al., Cultivating Equality: Delivering Just and Sustainable Food Systems in a Changing Climate (2015), Food Tank, CARE International, and CGIAR (CCFAS).

Raychel Santo et al., Researching the Baltimore City Food Environment: 2015 Update to the Baltimore City Food Environment Report of CLF (2015), Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future.

#### **Selected Presentations**

Apr 15, 2020: Emily Nink, "Utilizing Data Sources to Aid Local POS Work," Advancing Tobacco-Free Communities Program [webinar].

Nov 4, 2019: Emily Nink, "Dollar Store Takeover: Infiltrating Low-SES Communities with Tobacco Marketing," American Public Health Association (APHA) 2019 Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

May 7, 2019: Emily Nink, "Flavored Products: What's on the Menu?" National Association of Attorneys General' 2019 Tobacco Policy and Responsible Retailing Conference, Tampa, FL.

Nov 14, 2018: Emily Nink, "Regulating Flavored Nicotine-Free and Tobacco-Free Products within a Flavored Tobacco Product Sales Regulation," APHA 2018 Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Apr 26, 2018: Cara Wilking and Emily Nink, "Towards a Comprehensive Packaged Beverage Solution: A Synthesis of Bottled Water and Sugary Drink Policy Interventions," Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Healthy Eating Research Grantees Meeting, Nashville, TN.

Dec 7, 2017: Emily Nink and Heidi Stucker, Community Food Systems Conference, Boston, MA.

Nov 8, 2017: Emily Nink, "Tailoring Policy Resources to Overcome the Challenges of Differential Tobacco Retail Density in New York," APHA 2017 Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

Nov 8, 2017: Emily Nink, "Changing the climate: Confronting tobacco industry opposition to state and local tobacco regulation," APHA 2017 Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

#### Skills

Professional proficiency in Spanish; ArcGIS, ArcGIS online, and ESRI; Stata; advanced Excel; NationBuilder

#### **Professional Values**

Deep understanding of and commitment to advancing racial justice, health equity, and health in all policies.

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## TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS 02476-4908

November 9, 2020

Emily Nink Arlington, MA 02476

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Re: Appointment: Open Space Committee

Dear Ms. Nink:

As a matter of the standard appointment procedure, the Select Board requests that you attend a virtual meeting of the Select Board conducted by remote participation, on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m.

It is a requirement of the Select Board that you join this virtual meeting. This will give the Board an opportunity to meet and discuss matters with you about the area of activity in which you will be involved.

Information which includes the link to the meeting will be available at the bottom of the Select Board Agenda as well as on the Town Calendar when the meeting is posted Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> by 4:00 p.m.

Please contact this office by e-mail, lcosta@town.arlington.ma.us, if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, SELECT BOARD

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator