



**Summary statement:** Board of Economic Development Member John Lee's term expires October 31, 2014. Mr. Lee has submitted his application for reappointment and meets all of the qualifications for appointment. Once reappointed his term ending date is October 2017.

**Administration recommendation:** Authorize action memorandum 14-074.



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**Board/Commission Application**

Date: 09-16-2014

Name of Board/Commission: Board of Economic Development

Name: John S. Lee

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Phone number(s):

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Email address: johnlee@nhtiusa.com

Employer: New Horizons Telecom Inc Occupation: Business owner

Member or active interest in the following organizations:

Airport Advisory Commission

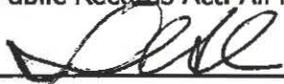
Board of Economic Development

Please explain your main reason for applying:

I have served on the AAC and the BED since 2008. Both boards are becoming more and more effective,

I am presently Chair of the AAC and Vice Chair of the BED. I would like to continue to work with these two fine groups to help make great things happen in Palmer.

You are welcome to attach an outline of your education, work and volunteer experiences, and other interests. Please note: this form and all of the information contained on the form is subject to the Public Records Act. All information will be treated as public information.

Signature  Date 9-16-2014

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Board or Commission: BED

Vacant seat: Reappointment Term ending date: 10/17

Attachments?  Yes  No

John S. Lee, PE, EA  
CEO, New Horizons Telecom, Inc.

- 40 Years in business in the Alaska Telecommunications Industry
- Founder and Facility Security Officer of New Horizons Telecom, Inc (NHTI).  
NHTI is based in Palmer Alaska, celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary with over \$20M in annual gross revenues. NHTI is based on the Palmer Airport, and operates internationally with project history in Alaska, Hawaii, CONUS, Japan, Italy, and Germany. NHTI offers commercial, oilfield, and government clients full service project management, permitting, engineering, integration, construction and environmental services. NHTI employs 90 people. Engineering disciplines include civil, structural, electrical, mechanical, and environmental, all with special emphasis on the telecommunications industry. NHTI is uniquely experienced in the Arctic / Subarctic environment. See our website: [www.nhti.usa.com](http://www.nhti.usa.com)
- Co-shareholder, Board Member / Director and Facility Security Officer of Port Graham Development Corporation, an Alaska Native 8(a) firm, for the past seven years
- Formerly employed by Alascom Inc of Anchorage Alaska (formerly RCA Alascom) as its first corporate pilot, flying float planes in bush Alaska, later served as civil engineer in charge of the first deployment of satellite earth terminals in rural Alaska
- Vietnam Veteran, Commissioned Officer, Graduate of Infantry Officer Candidate School OCS and Airborne School at Ft. Benning GA, cross trained in the US Army Signal Schools at Fort Gordon GA, and Fort Monmouth NJ. Served in CONUS with the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, NC in an infantry unit, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 504<sup>th</sup> Infantry. Served in Vietnam with the 1<sup>st</sup> Signal Brigade, 37<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion as a Signal Battalion Operations Officer, Signal Detachment Commander and Signal Company Commander
- Worked for a year in the Alaska offshore oilfield as a structural engineer and later as a production engineer before leaving for military service
- Employed for many years as a pilot and flight instructor at the Palmer Alaska Municipal Airport
- Registered Professional Engineer (PE) in Alaska, Washington, and Oregon
- Business Pilot holding current FAA Airline Transport Pilot (ATP) and Flight Instructor Certificates, current and proficient in both airplanes and helicopters. Life member of the AOPA Air Safety Foundation and appointed as an FAA Safety Team Representative
- Graduate of the University of Alaska, Fairbanks school of Engineering.
- Electrical Administrator (Electrical Contractor) licensed in Alaska and Washington
- Grew up in bush Alaska wilderness, lived in Iliamna Alaska, fished commercially in Bristol Bay
- Married, two grown sons, a grown stepdaughter, and three young grandsons
- Serving concurrent terms as a commissioner on the Palmer Alaska Airport Advisory Commission, and the Palmer Alaska Board of Economic Development