



2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES

CLASS C - COMMERCIAL CANDIDATES



My name is **Michael Doherty** and I am the Owner of Telluride Outfitters. Telluride Outfitters is a four season Guide Company that specializes in Backcountry Adventures. Our Company has existed Since 1984 and has been fortunate enough to grow with Telluride and the Mountain Village. We have been well positioned in the time of uncertainty and health concerns to be a Leader in Natural Social Distanced Activities Snowmobile, UTV, Jeep and Water related Sports enjoying the Beautiful Surrounding Mountains of the San Juans. Our Company moved its Office to 456 Mountain Village Boulevard 5 Years ago and has had an impact of adding vibrancy to the Market Plaza. We have recently acquired a new location at Upper Gondola Plaza for Booking Tours. We walk the line between information and education not only for our business but the community.

My experience in Telluride Dates back to 1991 when moving here to enjoy Skiing and Snowboarding. I had worked independently at various trades while becoming friends with local guides. In 1999 / 2000 Winter Season I started work as a Snowmobile Guide. At the time I was not aware I was pursuing a lifelong passion for the outdoors, relationship building and storytelling with the guests on our tours. I worked into management and eventually purchased Telluride Snowmobile Adventures in 2009 / 2010 season. This was during the last Great Recession and it was necessary to be smart and agile to keep this new business afloat. In the last Ten Years Our Company has added Navigated a Federal Land Exchange, USFS Permits for UTV Tours , purchased a Fishing and Rafting Company, Added a Jeep Rental Concession and partnered with Polaris Industries to secure New Equipment for our Tours - Every Season. Our growth has been slow yet calculated with keeping the goal of Family Outdoor Entertainment in Sight. We have purchased 18 acres at the Ophir Loop to help store equipment but also potentially help to house employees and office space. We introduced Online Booking for our guests and it has been a game changer offering our clients flexibility to Book Tours on their own.

My experience with being on a Board of Directors began with Rainbow Rockies Rascals Preschool and Early Childhood Development . I answered the call for board members and helped the school fundraising and navigate the purchase of their current location on Colorado In Telluride. It was rewarding to participate and also interesting to be involved in the dynamics of childcare that allow our local population to function by having thoughtful care givers to look after their children.

I am an Artist and have been on Advisory Committee for The Ah Haa School for the Arts and Telluride Arts. I am currently on the Telluride Public Art Commission. I look at things from a unique perspective because of my Artist Visionary's Mind. I am not afraid to tackle complex and challenging issues.

I am also on the Mountain Village Business Development Advisory Committee . The BDAC Board has been instrumental in helping Mountain Village to stay Safe and Relevant during Covid 19 by implementing outdoor dining and grants for local businesses to keep afloat during uncertain times. I enjoy the collaboration with local government officials and appreciate the process necessary to get things and ideas put into action. This BDAC term was one year and suppose to be quarterly- due to Covid 19 we saw the urgency to redirect agendas and met Weekly for 2 1/2 months. The BDAC experience was positive and it leads me to apply for this seat.

The TMVOA Commercial Chair would be an opportunity for me to stay involved and help guide the future of Mountain Village.

If 2020 has taught me anything it's that we are in an amazing area and we have limited resources. We need to protect and manage our precious community and the surrounding wildlife. People have discovered Telluride Mountain Village how we manage growth resources and communities will determine the sustainability of our future here. Thank you for considering me for the Commercial Chair.



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Huascar E. Gomez (Rick) is a Hospitality Executive with a Bachelor's of science in Hotels & Travel Administration and a Master's Degree in Accountancy. He is based in Mountain Village, CO and has worked at Mountain Lodge Telluride as a Financial Controller for the past 9 years.

Since 1996 he has also worked for several hospitality industry leaders such as Interstate Hotels & Resorts, Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, Destination Hotels & Resorts, Hyatt, Grand Heritage Hotels & Resorts, and Swissotel. He has worked in a variety of roles, both in operations and finance, like Director of Guest Services, Financial Controller, and Regional Financial Controller, amongst others.

In his current role as CFO, Rick oversees all financial and accounting aspects as well as information technology for the resort and Home Owners Association. These duties combine his special interest/training in internal controls and policies for asset protection and expense management, as well as improving information technology infrastructures for providing an enhanced guest experience overall.

Rick and his wife Madeline relocated to the Western Slope from Boston, MA and live in Mountain Village where Rick is also the Board President of their Homeowners Association, Tramontana, Inc. When not working, you may spot Rick and his wife walking their 9 pound shorkie named T-Rex. Rick also likes to ride his Harley Davidson, enjoys yard work with his wife or hitting the fairways at Telluride, Divide Ranch or Cobble Creek.

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Abbott Smith. After graduating from the Lubar School of Business at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, I spent my winters on the Freeride World Tour, amassing a world ranking with several podiums with a coveted sickbird award. The 2006-2007 winter season was my first to home base out of Telluride, ultimately moving up to the Mountain Village in 2010. The proximity and serenity is what drove me to ultimately purchase my own home with my wife, Joanna, in 2013 in the Meadows. My pro Mountain Village mentality is also why I chose to bring the Tasting Room for my Business, the Telluride Distilling Company, up here. With the help of everyone at the TMVOA and the Town of Mountain Village this has been as big of a success as our Production and Distribution, and couldn't be happier with the outcome. I am also a regular

at TMVOA Merchant Meetings and on the board for the Mountain Village Promotional Association.