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AGENDA ITEM #:	Work Session
MEETING DATE:	05.22.2023
FINAL ACTION:	

CITY COUNCIL STAFF MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Jesse VanderZanden, City Manager
 Joyce Phillips, Program Coordinator

MEETING DATE: May 22, 2023

SUBJECT TITLE: Work Session: Charter Review Committee Interviews
 4:30-6:50 pm, Community Auditorium or Zoom

ACTION REQUESTED:

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	Ordinance	Order	Resolution	Motion	X	Informational

X all that apply

BACKGROUND:

On February 27, 2023, the City Council passed Resolution 2023-06 establishing a Charter Review Committee and approving Exhibit A, Expectations of Charter Review Committee. Additionally, the Council also approved a one-year Objective 2.6 which states: "Complete the City Charter Review Process."

The Charter Review Committee is composed of 11 members: 2 members each from 4 quadrants and 3 members from at-large. The 4 quadrants were NW, SW, NE, and SE; delineated by Main Street and Pacific Avenue. The city recruited openly and broadly, utilizing social media, the website, and print media to generate interest and receive applications. The application period was extended to assure ample time to apply. A total of 15 applications were received as follows:

- 5 from the NW quadrant
- 6 from the SW quadrant
- 3 from the NE quadrant
- 1 from the SE quadrant

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Work Session is to interview all the applicants and arrive at a consensus on appointments. In an effort to assure as fair treatment as possible for all candidates, staff has scheduled all interviews to occur in one evening. Due to the number of candidates, interviews are limited to 7 minutes per applicant. Interviews are grouped by quadrant and time is provided after each quadrant to allow Council to reach consensus on the 2 members for that quadrant. Deliberation time is also provided at the end to allow Council to reach consensus on 3 at-large members from remaining applicants not already selected.

For the SE Quadrant, which has only 1 applicant, staff will reopen the application period and bring any forthcoming applicants to the Council for appointment.

INTERVIEWS:

Due to time constraints, there are two questions per applicant:

- 1) Why do you want to serve on the Charter Review Committee?
- 2) How do you reach consensus on a contentious issue?

The Mayor will read a very brief script for each applicant followed by questions. Pending a consensus on appointments, staff will draft a resolution for the consent agenda at the June 12, 2023, Council meeting. After appointments are made, the City Attorney and the Charter Review Committee will start meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Interview Schedule
- 2) Exhibit A: Expectations of the Charter Review Committee

Questions:

1. Why do you want to service on the Charter Review Committee?
2. How do you reach consensus on a contentious issue?

Committee Composition:

2 members from each quadrant

3 member from at-large

<u>Time</u>	<u>NW Quadrant Applicants (5)</u>
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4:30 PM	Cook, Tom
4:37 PM	Johnson, Elysha
4:44 PM	Littlefield, LaAna
4:51 PM	Valfre, Adolph
4:58 PM	Burnett, Lindsey

5:05 PM	Deliberation
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<u>SW Quadrant Applicants (6)</u>

5:15 PM	Groombridge, Wolanda
5:22 PM	Hatch, Larry
5:29 PM	Orr, Evelyn
5:36 PM	Steele, Tacy
5:43 PM	McLaughlin, Tammi
5:50 PM	Thaler, Dale

5:57 PM	Deliberation
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<u>NE Quadrant Applicants (3)</u>

6:07 PM	Echeverria, Isaac	
6:14 PM	Dennis, Bryan	
6:21 PM	Hutchison, Harold	*via telephone interview

6:28 PM	Deliberation
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<u>SE Quadrant Applicant (1)</u>

6:33 PM	Rose, Stephanie
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6:40 PM	Deliberations/Dinner
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EXHIBIT A

EXPECTATIONS OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Purpose and Overview

The primary function of the Charter Review Committee ("Committee") is to review the existing Charter to determine if it will adequately serve the community well into the future. The Committee is to review and recommend to the City Council a proposed Charter, Charter amendment(s), or no changes to the Charter.

The Council requests the Committee begin holding its meetings in early 2023. The Committee may recommend which election to place proposed changes to the Charter on the ballot and how to structure the ballot measure(s). For example, one ballot measure encompassing all the proposed changes, or multiple ballot measures proposing individual changes to the Charter. The Council may accept, amend, or reject the Committee's recommendations and for those recommendations that are approved, determine the best method to structure the ballot measure(s).

The Committee must be impartial, unbiased, and free of any perceived political gain. The Committee may approach the task in whatever means results in a document that best serves the citizens of Forest Grove. The Committee must adhere to the Oregon Public Meetings law and strive to include and educate the community about the process and purpose of a Charter Review, the importance of a City Charter and to solicit community input on proposed changes prior to making a recommendation to the Council.

Membership

The Charter Review Committee shall consist of eleven (11) voting members who shall be appointed by the Council. At least two (2) members shall reside in each of the four quadrants of the City of Forest Grove (northeast, northwest, southeast, and southwest; using TV Highway and Main Street to delineate the boundaries). The remaining three (3) members shall be at large. The City shall hold an open recruitment for the members.

The City Council will appoint a member from among the confirmed members to serve as Chair of the Committee. The Mayor may appoint a Council Liaison, to be confirmed by Council, who will act in a liaison role and shall be a non-voting member to the Committee. The City Attorney, or designee, will attend all Committee meetings and will staff the Committee in an advisory role. The Charter Review Committee will adhere to the following:

Scope of Review

The Committee is authorized to review the entire Charter, using the most recent League of Oregon Cities Model Charter as a template, and to make recommendations to the Council on any aspect of the Charter. In addition, the Council would like specific recommendations on the following issues/subjects:

- Geographic representation for Council members
- Term limits for the Mayor and Council members
- The necessity of a city manager residency requirement
- Roles of the Mayor and Council president

Meetings

Meeting dates will be set as determined by the majority of the Committee. Meetings will be held in the Community Auditorium or other City public facility and all meetings shall be open to the public. The Committee shall hold at least one publicly advertised public hearing and will consider written and oral testimony offered during the review process. At the first meeting, the Committee shall elect a vice-chair who will serve as Chair in the absence of the Chair. A quorum must be present to conduct business and is necessary to adopt a motion.

Subcommittees

Subcommittees may be formed for the purpose of gathering information and forming a recommendation to the full Committee. However, only the full Committee can vote on and accept the recommendation. A subcommittee must be composed of no less than three (3) members and no more than five (5) members from the Committee.

Motions

The Chair will strive to reach consensus of the Committee whenever possible. Motions on changes to the Charter constitute tentative approval of such changes pending approval of the final report that contains all the recommendations to the City Council.

Staff Support

The city attorney or designee shall do the following:

- Act in an advisory role to the Committee and attend all Committee meetings.
- Support the work of the Committee and assist the Chair/Vice Chair in preparing the agenda. Agendas will be mailed electronically to the Committee in advance of the meetings.
- Conduct research as needed.
- Review the existing Charter and identify housekeeping changes and present the changes to the Committee for its review.
- Prepare and explain substantive provisions for consideration and draft alternative provisions for discussion and consideration.
- Draft a Charter and revise the draft based on input from the Committee.
- Prepare a final version of the new recommended Charter for Committee review and Council consideration.
- Prepare the ballot title and explanatory statement.

In addition, staff will prepare minutes for the Committee meetings and will post to the City's web page all information related to the Committee's proceedings. Should the Committee require additional staff support beyond what is provided, a request will be made to the City Manager.

Duration

The Charter Review Committee shall terminate at the time upon recommending to the Council a proposed Charter, Charter amendment(s), or no changes to the Charter. The Council encourages the Committee to complete their work within 9-12 months of appointment.

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Wed, 04/19/2023 - 8:58am

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First Name and Last Name

Tom Cook

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City, State and Zip Code

Forest Grove, OR 97116

Mailing Address, if different

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E-Mail Address

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

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Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

Retired

Occupation/Profession

Retired Navy Chaplain

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

6

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I have an interest in knowing and understanding current needs within the city. It appears there is a necessity in having the charter updated and reflecting the present community.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I think I have a strong understanding of how meetings should be conducted. I seek to have consensus. Years of military experience as a chaplain.

List your educational experience

Masters degree in Psychology/Pastoral Counseling

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

Current member of CCI and the Budget Committee. Volunteer chaplain for Forest Grove Fire and Police

How did you hear about this opportunity?

CCI

Please type your name below as a signature. By signing below, you are affirming that if appointed, you have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and attend meetings. Please note that information provided on this form is a public record that may be subject to disclosure upon request.

Tom Cook

Date

Wed, 03/08/2023

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Thu, 03/16/2023 - 10:48am

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First Name and Last Name

Elysha Johnson

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Forest Grove, OR 97116

Mailing Address, if different

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E-Mail Address

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

[REDACTED]

Occupation/Profession

Substitute Teacher

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

16

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I've had the privilege of calling this endearing city my home for the last 16 years. I am truly inspired by the diversity, growth and positive changes Forest Grove is making and I want to be apart of this continued progression. Forest Grove is thriving not just in numbers, but in striving to create an equitable and inclusive community.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

Serving the community through the Charter Review Committee would afford me the opportunity to share my working experience in analytics and community relationship management. As a minority I also bring a voice for historically underrepresented community members.

List your educational experience

B.A. in Communications & Public Relations

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

Volunteer in various Forest Grove youth sports programs.

Prior to employment, volunteered within FGSD.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

I discovered the opportunity through FG City Hall Facebook page.

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Elysha Johnson

Date

Thu, 03/16/2023

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First Name and Last Name

LaAna Littlefield

Home Address

[REDACTED]

City, State and Zip Code

Forest Grove, Oregon 97116

Mailing Address, if different

NA

E-Mail Address

[REDACTED]

Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

NA

Employer

NA

Occupation/Profession

NA

Do you reside within the City limits?

Forest Grove

Years residing in Forest Grove?

14

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

It is important for us as community members to be involved in our city government and to add to the vision, progress and success of our city. Having the opportunity to add the local voters voice and ideas to how our city operates greatly interests me. As someone who is actively engaged in our community I would enjoy the opportunity to continue that service on this committee.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

As an invested citizen, a parent of 3 boys (one who is a junior at FGHS, one who is a student at Pacific University, and one who is an electrical apprenticeship) who have been raised in Forest Grove, as someone who has given thousands of hours in service to the community and who runs board/club/presidency meetings, and as someone who went through the process of running for a

FG city council seat, I would bring a well rounded perspective, insights and vision to this committee as we review the charter.

List your educational experience

Honors Diploma

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

President of the Vikings Booster Club at FGHS for 9 years - a member for 10 years, president of local children primary and youth groups for a total of 8-9 years, and I have volunteered/served at numerous local senior communities and local events.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Kristy Kottkey approached me about the opportunity and I also saw the posting on the City of Forest Grove Facebook page.

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LaAna L Littlefield

Date

Tue, 03/21/2023

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First Name and Last Name

Adolph "Val" Valfre

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Forest Grove, OR 97116

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E-Mail Address

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

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Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

N/A

Occupation/Profession

Retired Housing Advocate, Former FG City Councilor

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

18 years+

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I love Forest Grove its people and culture, and desire to promote positive change in its future I believe the Charter offers that framework under the Oregon Constitution and laws of the State, from which the City's voters bestow all appropriate authorities (legislative, administrative and quasi judicial) to the Council to therein address the goals and aspirations of the community, essential services (police, fire, etc) and to ensure the unalienable rights and equitable access of all its residents. As such, the current Charter is about 14 years old, and our dear City has changed considerably in size and diversity I would like to assist the Committee in reviewing the Charter to determine whether it accurately reflects the will of our diverse community and will adequately serve our community well into the future

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

Through my work at the State, County and local levels, I have learned to work effectively and respectfully with talented cohorts with diverse opinions and styles. I am highly mission-oriented and always focused on the best possible results, yet I am open to the alternative ideas and contributions of others to create better outcomes. I am effective at motivating individuals to work as a team and achieving results, primarily because I can identify and acknowledge one's individual skills, talents and desires to be heard. My results and record of achievement speak for themselves - 3 Governor appointments, 2 chairmanships, Lifetime Achievement Award from Housing Oregon and my peers, Washington County Director, etc.

List your educational experience

4 Masters' Degrees - (1) Human Resources Management; (2) Business Administration; (3) Public Administration; and (4) National Security and Strategic Studies

B.A. - UCLA

Habitat Oregon - DEI Course (12 month); SHRM accreditation - Society for Human Resources Management

US Naval War College - Distinguished Graduate

Air Force Command Pilot/Instructor and Vietnam Veteran

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I have been privileged to serve my country, state and local community in the following positions:

- FG City Councilor;
- Board of Directors, West Tuality Habitat for Humanity
- Washington County Housing Director
- Chairman and member, Oregon Housing Stability Council - Governor appointee
- Member, Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Advisory Committee - Governor appointee
- Chairman and member, Washington County Housing Community Fund
- Member, Washington County/Multnomah County Workforce Investment Board
- Various other County and Metro committees - HPAC (Homeless Plan Advisory Committee), Metro Supportive Housing Services Implementation, Washington County Cooperative Library Services Levy 2020 workgroup, etc.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Councilors Tim Rippe and Elena Uhing

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Adolph "Val" Valfre

Date

Tue, 04/11/2023

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First Name and Last Name

Lindsey Burnett

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Forest Grove, Or 97116

Mailing Address, if different

Same

E-Mail Address

[REDACTED]

Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

Same

Employer

[REDACTED]

Occupation/Profession

Office Specialist

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

4

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I am interested in serving the community where I live to bring about good change, fair policies, and to represent more voices being heard in how to make the community more inclusive.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I hope to bring a positive, fair voice to the community of Forest Grove.

List your educational experience

Some college.

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I have none as of yet, but would like to change that by getting involved now, with the City Charter Review Committee.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

The city website as well as our Progressive Community page on Facebook.

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Lindsey Burnett

Date

Wed, 04/12/2023

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Fri, 04/14/2023 - 1:09pm

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First Name and Last Name

Wolanda Groombridge

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City, State and Zip Code

Forest Grove, OR 97116

Mailing Address, if different

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E-Mail Address

[REDACTED]

Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

Murray Highland Memory Care

Occupation/Profession

Executive Director

Do you reside within the City limits?

FOREST GROVE

Years residing in Forest Grove?

10 years

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I love serving the City of Forest Grove

I want to help, support, educate and serve the people of Forest Grove

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

Dedication, commitment, support, accountability, transparency and resources to strengthen the City at large

List your educational experience

Associates in General Education

Completing BA in Healthcare Administration 2025

License Administrator through Oregon Healthcare Association
Completing ICS (Infection Control Specialist) certification in June 2023

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

Board member for the West Tuality Habitat for Humanity
Board member for the Forest Grove Senior and Community Center
Volunteer member for City of Forest Grove Budget Committee

How did you hear about this opportunity?

City of Forest Grove website and recommendations from a City Council member.

Please type your name below as a signature. By signing below, you are affirming that if appointed, you have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and attend meetings. Please note that information provided on this form is a public record that may be subject to disclosure upon request.

Wolanda Groombridge

Date

Fri, 04/14/2023

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First Name and Last Name

Larry Hatch

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City, State and Zip Code

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Mailing Address, if different

Not

E-Mail Address

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

None

Employer

Retired

Occupation/Profession

Retired

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

38

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

Citizen participation is important and see this as an opportunity to serve

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I like being part of discussions that have an impact on where I live I'm a good listener

List your educational experience

2 year degree from PCC

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I served on city council filling a term of someone who had to leave before their term was complete. I think I'm the longest serving volunteer for the City representing the City on Metropolitan Area Communications Commission.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

City's Facebook page.

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Larry Hatch

Date

Fri, 04/14/2023

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Thu, 04/27/2023 - 11:34pm

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First Name and Last Name

Evelyn Orr

Home Address

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City, State and Zip Code

Forest Grove

Mailing Address, if different

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E-Mail Address

[REDACTED]

Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

[REDACTED]

Occupation/Profession

Production Control/Master Scheduling

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

21 +

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

Based on the latest 2022 data from the US census, the current population of Forest Grove is 26,089. Forest Grove's population has grown from around 17,000 in 2000 to 21,000 in 2010, then to around 26,000 in 2020. Forest Grove has grown 43.9% since 2000. It goes to reason that by 2030 we will reach 30,000 +. Growth like this comes with many challenges and we need to make sure our City Charter is up to date and we understand what our city needs for governing our city into the future.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I've attended most of the council meetings via zoom for several years and I've served on the Committee for Community Involvement. I have a pretty good understanding of our City Governance.

I've lived in Forest Grove for almost 22 years and care about our community. I work well in teams and enjoy the process of meeting the goals and objectives.

List your educational experience

Community college certification for Production Control, Master Scheduling, Materials Requirement Planning and Operations Management. Many continuing education classes throughout my career including Chamber of Commerce Certification.

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

Committee for Community involvement, Main Street Committees, Chamber of Commerce Board member, Rotary Board member, Oregon Emerge Graduate, Forest Grove School District Volunteer Coordinator, many, many fundraising committees.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

From listening to the City Council meetings.

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Evelyn Orr

Date

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Mon, 04/17/2023 - 5:57pm

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First Name and Last Name

Tacy Steele

Home Address

[REDACTED]

City, State and Zip Code

Forest Grove, OR 97116

Mailing Address, if different

N/A

E-Mail Address

[REDACTED]

Telephone/Cell Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

[REDACTED]

Occupation/Profession

Water Programs Manager

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

26

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I have experience working with City governance documents in Hillsboro and think that I could be helpful to this process. I have also lived in Forest Grove for half my life and Washington County for all my life (minus my college years), and I care deeply about my community. Thank you for your consideration.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I have working knowledge of city charters, codes, ordinances, resolutions, etc., and experience writing these sorts of municipal documents. I also have experience working with Forest Grove on water issues as a Joint Water Commission partner.

List your educational experience

B.A. in Journalism from Whitworth College (now a university). Masters of Arts in Teaching from Pacific University. State certifications in Water Distribution and Teaching. I am also a Notary Public.

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I am certified in Public Engagement through International Association for Public Participation. Community involvement through Joint Water Commission events and activities. Attend Old Town Church.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Forest Grove Community Facebook page

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Tacy A Steele

Date

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First Name and Last Name

Tammi McLaughlin

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Employer

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Occupation/Profession

Gardener/Plant Merchandising

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

23

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I love our Forest Grove community I serve here as a volunteer in various capacities, seeking to build opportunities to benefit youth particularly and to foster community connections. I've watched the city council carefully, since joining the Parks and Rec Commission in 2019 I would love to contribute to reviewing the city charter.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I've written and reviewed many documents in my years as a student, employee, and volunteer. I wrote the bylaws for a non profit sports club that I founded in 2015 I helped to review the bylaws for the Forest Grove Parks and Rec Commission. I quite recently reviewed bids for city park projects, alongside Anne Lane and Paul Downey I'm a deep thinker and a thorough editor of content I've

observed and contemplated Forest Grove elections, city council functionality, and the workings of the city of Forest Grove. I can bring those observations to the committee and suggest improvements moving into the future.

List your educational experience

University of Washington, BA in Humanities and Communications

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

Forest Grove Parks and Recreation Commission, 2019-now

Forest Grove Youth Lacrosse, Founder and Chairperson, 2015-now

Forest Grove Boys Lacrosse, Club President, 2014-2020

Hillsboro/Forest Grove LDS Church, Public Affairs, Interfaith Council, 2004-2008. (Coordinating public service with non profits such as SOLV and the Interfaith Council)

How did you hear about this opportunity?

The city website and word of mouth.

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Tammi MvLaughlin

Date

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First Name and Last Name

Dale Thaler

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Employer

retired

Occupation/Profession

letter carrier

Do you reside within the City limits?

yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

22 and a half

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

It seems that whenever the average citizen becomes aware of something changing in the city it's pretty much already a done deal. This document defines how our city government operates. It seems like a good place to start

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

Year of looking out the window and watching the landscape change A voice from the common resident whose definition of progress may not be that of the decision makers.

List your educational experience

High School, Caledonia, Michigan; BS Sociology Michigan State University; approx 20 credits toward Master Degree in Communication, University of Oklahoma; Pilot training United States Air Force as well as several other Instructor pilot courses.

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I was a member of the township Board of Appeals for a few years when I lived in Michigan. I am an active spokesman attempting to get true information on possible emergency shelter locations in town. I am the Vice Commander of our local American Legion Post 2. I was a union steward for a decade and negotiated settlements on other member's behalf.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

City newsletter and announcement at City Council meeting.

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Harold Dale Thaler

Date

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First Name and Last Name

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Work Telephone Number

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Employer

Linde

Occupation/Profession

Driver

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

4

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I want to get more perspective on how the city is run, and participate on developing a way forward to improve the way some issues are handled.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

A different view on things and perhaps help to reach out to the Hispanic community.

List your educational experience

Graduated from high school in Mexico

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I have never worked in the government. However, all of my 3 children got school in the FGSD.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

I heard about it by Ms wenzl

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Isaac Echeverria

Date

Thu, 03/09/2023

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First Name and Last Name

Bryan Dennis

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

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Work Telephone Number

[REDACTED]

Employer

[REDACTED]

Occupation/Profession

Executive Assistant

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

Five

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

My partner and I have started a family over the past few years, we have two young children I see this as an opportunity to learn more about how the city I love works, and how we keep agile in planning for the future our children will inherit

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

As one of only six adults who lives full time on the Pacific University campus I bring a unique perspective. Being a University-town is important to me, and I think I'd represent the voice of the city stakeholders who also live/work on campus I'm also a parent of young children, and I want Forest Grove to be a place they are proud to call home. It's these identities: educator, parent, and renter that I can lend to the conversation

List your educational experience

Masters Degree in Higher Education Administration - University of Akron, Ohio

Bachelors Degree in Communications - Spring Arbor University, Michigan

Twelve years working for Higher Education Institutions, including University of Portland, and George Fox University.

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

None currently, but I hope in the future

How did you hear about this opportunity?

FG website

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Bryan Dennis

Date

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First Name and Last Name

Harold Hutchison

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Telephone/Cell Phone Number

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Work Telephone Number

na

Employer

na

Occupation/Profession

retired

Do you reside within the City limits?

yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

31

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I want to be a voice that weighs in on the reasonableness of various proposals

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

I am steady, dependable, and reasonable. My wife and I have raised 5 children here, each of which, after going off into the world, and having gotten their various college degrees, is successfully pursuing the career of their choice. I am "debt free" and have time on my hands, so can dedicate myself to whatever task seems important at the moment.

List your educational experience

I have a Masters Degree from the school of Hard Knocks. Additionally I have a AA - General Studies (BMCC, 1976) and a AS-EET (BMCC, 1988?), and additional engineering credits at PCC and OIC. [I also hold 2 patents developed while working at Sequent/IBM.]

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

I was a precinct committee person here about a million years ago.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

One of the councilors forwarded an email with this link embedded.

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Harold Hutchison

Date

Wed, 04/12/2023

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Stephanie Rose

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Work Telephone Number

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Employer

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Occupation/Profession

Safe Pod Shelter Staff Member

Do you reside within the City limits?

Yes

Years residing in Forest Grove?

14

Why are you interested in serving on this Committee?

I like to be involved with my local government, and want to be sure we are moving forward equitably.

What contributions do you hope to bring to the Committee?

Community voices/input. I like to get feedback from the community and bring it to the table discussions

List your educational experience

High school graduate and some college

List any community involvement, appointed offices, elected offices and/or affiliations.

—City of FG CCI 2013-2017 & 2021-2022

-FGSD Budget Committee Member 2022-present

-Washington County Behavioral Health Advisory Member 2021-present

-Washington County Developmental Disabilities

Committee Member 2022-present

-Disability, Aging and Veteran Service—Alternate position 2022-present

How did you hear about this opportunity?

City website

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Stephanie Rose

Date

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