



## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL

Name: Joseph P. Berggren Date: 02/13/2024

Address: [REDACTED]

Home Phone: [REDACTED] Business Phone: [REDACTED]

Cell Phone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]

Are you a registered voter with the State of Oregon? Yes ☒ No ☐

Have you been a city resident for at least 12 months? Yes ☒ No ☐

Meeting days/times:

- City Council: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.
- Study Session: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

City Council members are also considered part of the Budget Committee, with meetings held in May.

Will any of these meetings cause a hardship for you to attend? Yes ☐ No ☒

*Please be advised that members of the City Council are required to file an Annual Verified Statement of Economic Interest with the State of Oregon. A sample reporting form can be provided indicating the type of information that you will be required to disclose if you are appointed.*

**As additional background for the Mayor and City Council, please provide the following information and answer the attached questions (Attach additional pages as needed):**

Employment, Professional, and volunteer background:

OR CCB license at the age of 19, Framing Contractor  
Retail Sales for Home Depot and Pro Sales near 10 yrs  
Currently Program Manager for Habitat for Humanity Eugene Valley  
LEAD hazard Reduction Grant in partnership with City of Medford

Community affiliations and activities:

Currently on Planning commission  
Regularly attend Gold Hill council meeting

Previous appointments, offices, or activities:

Wife is on Budget Committee so I attend those  
Bike show booth volunteer Gold Dust Days

1. Please explain why you are interested in the appointment and what you, as a City Council member, would offer to the community.

I attend City Council meeting of Gold Hill regularly and want to ~~be~~ continue to see the citizens of our community represented

2. Describe what you believe are the major concerns of the City residents and businesses. How do you think these concerns should be met?

I believe our city council is moving in the right direction of helping the citizens of gold hill. I feel we need to keep focus on Public Safety, our water system and expansion of development.

3. Please explain what you think the City could do or accomplish to improve the City.

I believe we need to keep a balance of common sense representing our community and keep open and ~~the~~ honest accountability to our community.

4. Provide any additional information or comments which you believe will assist the Council in considering your application.

I am well liked in our community and feel I will be a positive addition to our Council.

5. Council members are encouraged to participate on a variety of committees inside and outside the City. Are there any projects or committees you would be interested in participating on?

I am interested in the Can do volunteers and helping get our water system to a point where there are no issues.

6. Do you anticipate any conflicts of interest if you are appointed to the council?

I do not see any conflicts. And if there would be any question I would raise myself from matters dealing with any.

My signature affirms that the information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation and/or omission of facts are cause for removal from any council, advisory committee, board or commission I may be appointed to. All information /documentation related to service for this position is subject to public record disclosure.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 02/13/2024

Please return this application to City Recorder by March 1, 2024  
to be considered for the vacant City Council position.

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## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL

Name: DAVID B. HAMMOND Date: 2/20/24

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Employment, Professional, and volunteer background:

REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER CAL, OREGON (RETIRED)  
50 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
MANAGED PRIVATE FIRM DOING WATER, SEWER, STORM DRAIN  
WORKED FOR DEVELOPERS APPLYING UTILITIES, GRADING  
PRIVATE DISTRICTS DESIGNING, SUPERVISING INSTALL OF WATER (SEW)

### Community affiliations and activities:

Roberts  
LOCAL BRANCH CAR CLUB

### Previous appointments, offices, or activities:

COOS COUNTY PLANNING

1. Please explain why you are interested in the appointment and what you, as a City Council member, would offer to the community.

Its my turn to give back to community

2. Describe what you believe are the major concerns of the City residents and businesses. How do you think these concerns should be met?

City location/size - need gas mapping  
street update - plan

3. Please explain what you think the City could do or accomplish to improve the City.

I think its doing a fair job, more community involvement

4. Provide any additional information or comments which you believe will assist the Council in considering your application.

EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPING REVENUE PLAN  
FOR UTILITIES THAT SHOW EXISTING UTILITIES, SIZE,  
RECOMMEND UPDATES & COST

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WATER, STORM DRAIN, TRAFFIC

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NO

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

2/26/24

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**Resolution 24-R-08: Creation of Charter Review Task Force**  
City of Gold Hill

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Gold Hill recognizes the importance of periodically reviewing and updating the City Charter to ensure its effectiveness and alignment with the community's needs; and

**WHEREAS**, a comprehensive review of the City Charter will enhance transparency, governance, and responsiveness to the citizens of Gold Hill; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a Charter Review Task Force will facilitate a thorough examination of the existing Charter provisions, identify areas for improvement, and propose necessary amendments;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLD HILL, OREGON, RESOLVES TO THE FOLLOWING:**

1. A Charter Review Task Force shall be created, consisting of an odd number of members comprised of:
  - a. Community Members (examples in attached addendum).
  - b. No more than two council members and mayor;
  - c. City Manager and Recorder as ex-officio, non-voting members
2. The Task Force shall have the following responsibilities:
  - a. Review the entire City Charter, including its articles, sections, and provisions.
  - b. Identify outdated or conflicting language, ambiguities, and areas requiring clarification.
  - c. Solicit public input through hearings, surveys, and community meetings.
  - d. Propose amendments, revisions, or additions to the Charter as needed.
3. The Task Force shall operate under the following guidelines:
  - a. Meetings shall be open to the public, and agendas and minutes shall be published on the City's website.
  - b. The Task Force shall submit regular progress reports to the City Council.
  - c. Recommendations for Charter amendments shall be presented to the City Council for consideration.
4. The City Council shall appoint members to the Task Force, ensuring representation from diverse backgrounds and expertise.
5. The Task Force shall complete its review and submit recommendations within four months from the date of this resolution.

6. The City Council expresses its appreciation to the Task Force members for their voluntary service in enhancing the City's governance.

ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2024

ATTEST:

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D. Larez, City Recorder

SIGNED and APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2024

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Ronald A. Palmer, Mayor

## **ADDENDUM**

The **Charter Review Task Force** can include a diverse group of individuals with various backgrounds and expertise. Here are some potential members:

### **Community Members:**

- Residents of Gold Hill who have a vested interest in local governance.
- Individuals from different neighborhoods, age groups, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- People who actively participate in community events or organizations.

### **Legal Experts:**

- Attorneys, legal scholars, or law professors with knowledge of municipal law.
- Professionals experienced in constitutional law, administrative law, or local government regulations.
- Legal practitioners who can interpret and analyze the existing City Charter.

### **City Officials and Staff:**

- City Council members, the Mayor, or other elected officials (voting).
- City Manager and City Recorder (ex-officio/non-voting).

### **Academics and Researchers:**

- Professors or researchers from local universities or colleges.
- Experts in public policy, urban planning, or political science.
- Individuals who can provide an objective perspective on governance issues.

### **Business and Civic Leaders:**

- Owners of local businesses or representatives from business associations.
- Civic leaders involved in community development, environmental advocacy, or nonprofit organizations.
- Stakeholders who can offer insights into economic development and community well-being.

### **Historians and Archivists:**

- Individuals knowledgeable about Gold Hill's history and how it has evolved over time.
- Archivists who can access historical documents related to the City Charter.

### **Representatives from Special Interest Groups:**

- Advocates for specific causes (e.g., environmental conservation, affordable housing, transportation).
- Members of neighborhood associations or homeowner associations.

Remember that a balanced representation ensures a thorough review and thoughtful recommendations. The Task Force's effectiveness lies in its ability to collaborate, listen to community input, and propose meaningful changes to the City Charter.