

# CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

### Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Meeting Location: In Person and Virtual / Zoom 17425 Ballinger Way NE Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTENDING THIS MEETING VIRTUALLY:**

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- 4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND/OR ACTION
  - A. Discussion and review of applications for the vacant Councilmember position
  - B. Applicants chosen to interview for the vacant Councilmember position
  - C. Selecting oral interview questions for applicants for the vacant Councilmember position

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#### **FUTURE SCHEDULE**

- Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 6:00 p.m. City Council Special Meeting *hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)*
- -Thursday, June 5, 2025, 6:00 p.m. City Council Special Meeting hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)
- Monday, June 9, 2025, 6:00 p.m. City Council Special Meeting hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)
- Thursday, June 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m. City Council Work Session *hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)*
- Thursday, June 12, 2025, 7:00 p.m. City Council Regular Meeting *hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)*
- Thursday, June 19, 2025 Juneteenth, City Hall Closed

- Monday, June 24, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole Meeting hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)
- Thursday, June 26, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Budget & Finance Committee Meeting *hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)*
- Thursday, June 26, 2025, 7:00 p.m. City Council Regular Meeting *hybrid meeting (City Hall and via Zoom)*

This is a special meeting of the City Council. Action may only be taken on items listed on the agenda.

Any person requiring a disability accommodation should contact city hall at 206-368-5440 by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting for more information.

Name: Fred Grant

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 3

- 1. **List your educational background.:** BA Degree in Film & Video from Georgia State University / Minor in Marketing
- 2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: -Video Producer / Consultant | Sony Pictures Television / Latam Operations (2020-Now)
- -Assistant Editor | Sony Pictures Television / US Networks (2016-2020)
- -Social Media Editor | Common Sense Network (2019-2021)
- -Video Director | AG Global Media & Alzheimer's Association Love Never Forgets (2019)
- -Video Director | 51 Nevada (2017)
- -Video Producer | The Weather Channel (2013-2015)
- -UI/UX Designer & Motion Graphics Artist | Glasseye Screenworks (2012-2013)
- -Staff Editor | Crawford Media Services (2010-2012)
- -Assistant Compositor | Trick 3D (2009-2010)
- 3. **Describe your community activities and volunteer work.**: My wife and I have volunteered all over King County and will even be volunteering at the Lake Forest Park Farmer's Market this year. We are currently representatives for Clan Grant (my Scottish heritage) and run the tent for the highland games across the state. Our other volunteer work includes: Gala Planning Committee for Whole Washington, helping create the Georgetown Community Forest at the South Seattle College sponsored by the Duwamish tribe, gardening at Marra Farm with the organization Gay For Good, running the Auburn Farmer's Market's Information Booth, Assisting with cleaning Glendale Forest with the King County Parks, canvasing for Rory O'Sullivan's Campaign for Seattle City Attorney, donating to charities, and more.
- 4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** I am a small business owner with a unique background that has equipped me with strong leadership, teamwork, and financial management skills. My experience in marketing and news has given me a deep understanding of communication and public engagement. Additionally, I am highly adaptable and proficient in learning new technologies, including AI and

software tools. What sets me apart is my firsthand knowledge of global governance. Through extensive travel, I have studied various government systems, gaining unique insights that offer a fresh perspective on local governance than most Americans.

- 5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: I grew up admiring my grandparents for their deep involvement in the community and the fulfilling lives they built through civic engagement. I aspire to create that same sense of connection and purpose for my family and myself. I also believe that local politics should be more accessible to everyone, too often, people lack the time, knowledge, or opportunities to participate. My generation, in particular, has faced barriers to civic engagement, and I am committed to breaking those down to encourage greater involvement and representation.
- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: I do not believe I have any conflicts of interest. My work is primarily remote and based out of state, and my contract allows me to set my own hours, so I should not have any scheduling conflicts either.
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: Lake Forest Park faces several key challenges, as highlighted in the recent 2024 survey results. These include balancing the budget to maintain essential services, ensuring a strong and effective police department, improving pedestrian safety by enhancing sidewalks near Brookside Elementary and LFP Elementary, addressing flooding concerns near Ballinger Way NE and Bothell Way NE, and mitigating the impact of bus rapid transit construction, which has led to increased noise and traffic disruptions.

The City Council plays a crucial role in tackling these issues by making informed financial decisions to sustain city operations, supporting law enforcement resources to uphold public safety, advancing infrastructure improvements to enhance walkability and accessibility, implementing flood mitigation measures to protect residents and property, and working collaboratively with transit agencies to minimize construction-related disruptions while improving long-term transportation solutions.

Professional Reference 1 - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Kevin Brownridge, Sony Senior Manager Content Ops

Professional Reference 2 – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Courtney Haney, Former Sony Manager

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of

**recommendation to this application.:** FredGrant\_LFP\_RecLetters.pdf

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Frederic James Grant V

John Murray Louderback

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May 20, 2025

Lake Forest Park City Council 17425 Ballinger Way N.E. Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

Subject: Recommendation for Fred Grant —Lake Forest Park City Council

Dear Council Members,

I have been an officer in the US Navy and am a retired Seattle Firefighter. I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Fred Grant's candidacy for Lake Forest Park City Council. Having known Fred for over a year, I have witnessed firsthand his unwavering commitment to public service, ethical leadership, and dedication to the well-being of our community.

Fred is a man of vision, motivated by a sincere desire to support and improve the lives of others. He consistently devises creative solutions to address challenges.

Beyond his technical know-how, Fred exemplifies the qualities of an outstanding public servant. His integrity, transparency, and genuine drive to uplift his neighbors are complimented by his effective communication skills and pragmatic problem solving approach. Thru collaborative leadership and active engagement, he has significantly contributed to fostering unity and progress within our community.

I wholeheartedly endorse Fred Grant for the Lake Forest Park City Council. I am confident that his vision, experience, and unwavering dedication to public service will provide invaluable benefits to the community. I welcome the opportunity to discuss his qualifications further, at your convenience.

Sincerely, John Murray Louderback

#### To The Lake Forest Park City Council,

I am honored to recommend Frederic Grant V for the position of City Council Position 2 for Lake Forest Park. I first met Fred in 1995 when we attended school together. In the nearly 30 years that I have known Fred, he has become my best friend and a trusted confidant with whom I look to more often than I can count. He is an incredible leader, volunteer and individual and most importantly exemplifies the qualities and skills that the people of Lake Forest Park desire and deserve.

Fred has from a young age always been interested in bettering the cities in which he lives as well as improving the lives of the citizens which live in those cities. He became an Eagle Scout in high school and his path to such a prestigious position was earned by his selfless acts of volunteerism as well as leading many projects that improved the community to include local infrastructure and programs geared towards helping local schools, places of worship and government facilities. Outside of the Boy Scouts, Fred led multiple volunteer events with his local church with events such as cleaning up local community areas, as well as youth outreach programs.

As a high school and later college student, Fred took a deep interest in government and community programs through his involvement in clubs and associations that allowed for him to see the inner workings of government processes and how community leaders serve their constituents. Fred also served in a variety of leadership positions of sports teams in which he participated as well as various film activities supporting his major in college. Following his graduation and degree, Fred immediately took an active role in seeking out career opportunities that would allow him to lead in a creative environment such as writing and directing films, producing multi-media projects for television and major cinematic motion pictures. He continued to assist in local government projects wherever he lived and was eager to seek out ways to make an impact on the community.

When Fred moved to Washington, he immediately began to take an interest in local and state politics, one that included countless hours of community involvement in local projects, leading events that had him interact one-on-one with residents giving him the ability to communicate and understand the desires of the local community. He has become a very active member in Freemasons of Washington through his local lodge as well as attending numerous political debates, charities, interviews, and activities all with the goal of increasing his outreach to help Washington citizens. Fred leads in the Celtic Festival and Games as head of Clan Grant with the goal of encouraging diverse events to continue to make Washington a state of inclusiveness and diversity.

As a citizen of Washington state, I cannot emphasize enough how Fred as a council representative would be a positive change for the people in Lake Forest Park. Fred has always put others before himself and has been a vanguard for programs that encourage community building and improving the lives of those around him. He has my highest recommendation, and I hope to see him in the seat of City Council Position 2 in the very near future.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions at or.

Respectfully,

Kyle P. Novac

Boeing 777 First Officer

United Airlines

Name: Ashton Alvarez McCartney

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 35

1. List your educational background.: LFP Elementary, Kings/Kellogg, Shorecrest University of Washington Foster Business School Insurance Designations, REBC & GBDS

- 2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Employee Benefits Consultant / Broker DiMartino Associates (11 YRS) Employee Benefits Consultant / Broker Hays Companies (3 YRS)
- 3. **Describe your community activities and volunteer work.:** Planning Commission, Past Chair (2022 Current)

Board of Directors, Trustee, Goodwill (2023 - Current) Worship Team, Drummer (2015 - Current)

Host LFP Horizon View Park Egg Hunt & North Pole Post (2023 - Current)

4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** Multiple years on Planning Commission with emphasis work on the recent Comp plan and middle housing needs. Professionally, have consulted for 10+ years on WA Counties fund from a strategic, planning and legislative lens related to employee benefits.

I was born in LFP and my husband and I decided to raise our family near my childhood home. I have lived in LFP for over 35 years.

- 5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: am motivated by a desire to be a direct voice for our diverse community residents. I also believe in making informed decisions based on data and community input, and I would greatly appreciate being a part of the process crafting policies that best serve our beautiful community.
- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: N/A. Note: Planning Commission would require a replacement.
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: Immediate: Middle Housing & Budget challenges prove to be a leading concerns,

reconciling limited resources with growing needs. Councils role in addressing the issue is a strong and effective communication strategy with residents while also exploring potential for generating new revenue for the city.

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email: John Wallen, EVP @ DiMartino Associates,

Professional Reference 2 – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Bobby Jackson, Exec Director @ Washington Counties Insurance Fund –

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: No file was uploaded

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Ashton Alvarez McCartney

Name: Fiaz Mir

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 7

- 1. List your educational background.: 1. B.Arch: Jawaharlal Nehru Tech University, India
- 2. Masters in City & Regional Planning: University of Texas at Arlington
- 3. Masters in Business Administration: University of California at Los Angeles
- 2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Current: Remitly Principal Product Manager of Customer experiences

Past:

Frontdoor: Principal Product Manager for eCommerce Amazon: Senior Product Manager for Supply Chain

KPMG: Senior Consultant, Infrastructure Iteris: Senior Transportation Consultant

San Bernardino COG: Planner

City of North Las Vegas: City Planner CDM Smith: Transportation Modeler

3. **Describe your community activities and volunteer work.:** 5 Acre woods park stewardship group, Lake Forest Park, Volunteer MAPS Redmond, Volunteer

- 4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** With a Master's in City and Regional Planning and 10+ years of professional experience as a city planner (at City of North Las Vegas, San Bernardino COG), I have hands-on experience in large-scale urban and transportation planning projects. I also bring both policy expertise and practical insight to middle housing implementation. I'm well-versed in zoning reform, community engagement, and housing feasibility analysis and I'm eager to contribute to Lake Forest Park's efforts to integrate diverse, affordable housing options while preserving neighborhood character and advancing sustainable growth. Lastly, my experience in transportation projects where I advised LA Metro, California High Speed rail authority, I would be able to add value to the discussions around the SR 522 corridor bus transit issues.
- 5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: I'm passionate about serving on the Lake Forest Park City Council because I believe in building

sustainable, connected, and future-ready communities. With a Master's in City and Regional Planning and hands-on experience working on transformative transportation projects—such as Los Angeles Metro's Measure R initiatives and California's High-Speed Rail—I bring both technical expertise and a deep commitment to public service. As a proud resident of Lake Forest Park, I'm eager to apply my planning background to help guide responsible growth, enhance mobility options, and preserve the unique character of our community for generations to come.

- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: None
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: 1. Middle Housing: Following the comprehensive plan update in 2024.
- 2. SR 522 Bus rapid transit
- 3. Overall assessment of contracts (tech and non-tech)
- 4. Budget re-assessment
- 5. Town center redevelopment

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Rami Al-Kabra; Mentor,

**Professional Reference 2** – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Fahd Amdani, Former colleague,

**Letters of Recommendation (optional):** You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: No file was uploaded

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Fiaz Mir

Name: Sam Orallo

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 44

- 1. **List your educational background.:** BA-University of Washington business administration(International business)
- 2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Retired Branch Manager and Vice President of WAFD Bank, Jackson Park Branch (2008-2024), President-Infinity Capital Mortgage (1991-2008)
- 3. **Describe your community activities and volunteer work.:** Current activities-Member of Shoreline Elks 1800 and Parishioner/volunteer at St. Mark Church. Previous activities-Volunteer-North Helpline food bank, Shoreline Little League baseball coach(6-yrs.), Sandy Koufax select baseball coach(3-yrs.), Financial education-Solid Ground.
- 4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** I was born and raised in north Seattle. I have been a resident of Lake Forest Park for 44 years. My three boys have gone through the Shoreline school system at Brookside, Kellogg and Shorecrest High schools. I have experience with upholding company policies, real estate, hiring and building a future vision and direction. As a bank manager and real estate lender, I am familiar with budgeting, public safety, construction and costs, density and economic and environmental impacts. I have a son who serves at Shorecrest high school as a career counselor. He provides me with information and views of diverse demographics which he serves. These views are the future of Lake Forest Park. I am Asian descent and will add views from the many cultures that now reside in LFP.
- 5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: Firstly, serve the community in which I have resided and raised a family for 44 years. There are hard decisions to be made about budgeting, transportation, traffic control, public safety and community services. I will look at the options and make decisions based on what is best for the community, local government and future growth.
- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: None.
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: Public/community safety, transportation and economic and environmental development.

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Mary Jane Goss, friend,

**Professional Reference 2** – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Dave Harisiades, neighbor,

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: No file was uploaded

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Samuel M Orallo



## CITY COUNCILMEMBER APPLICATION FACT SHEET AND INSTRUCTIONS

City Council Position #2 of the Lake Forest Park City Council is currently vacant. The City Council will appoint a qualified Lake Forest Park resident to serve in this role for a term of approximately six months. The appointment will commence upon Council action and will expire when King County certifies the results of the November 2025 General Election.

Current Compensation: Councilmembers receive a stipend of \$800 per month (set by the independent Salary Commission).

#### WHO MAY APPLY?

Residents who are registered to vote in Lake Forest Park and have resided in the City for at least one year may apply for this position using the attached Application Form.

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURES**

- Complete and submit the City Councilmember Application Form by 5:00 p.m. on May 27, 2025.
- Forms may be submitted online www.cityoflfp.gov, mailed or delivered in person, or scanned and emailed to the City Clerk's Office:

Matt McLean, City Clerk City of Lake Forest Park 17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park, WA 98155 Phone: (206) 368-5440 Email: <a href="mmclean@cityoflfp.gov">mmclean@cityoflfp.gov</a>

- Please complete the Application Form as accurately and comprehensively as possible. If you need additional space, you may attach extra sheets.
- The successful candidate will be required to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement with the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission within two weeks of appointment.

#### ABOUT THE LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL

Lake Forest Park's seven part-time Councilmembers establish City policies and laws, adopt the biennial budget, approve appropriations and contracts, and hire and evaluate the City Administrator. Councilmembers serve staggered four-year terms and are elected at-large. Regular Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., with Work

Sessions at 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday and Committee of the Whole meetings at 6:00 p.m. the Monday before the 4th Thursday; special meetings are scheduled as needed. Council members are expected to prepare for meetings by reviewing the council packet before each council meeting.

#### **NEXT STEPS IN THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS**

- Application period opens: May 13, 2025
- Application deadline: May 27, 2025
- Council reviews applications and selects finalists: May 29, 2025 starting at 7:00 pm
- Public interviews & Council vote to appoint: Depending on the number of applications received, the Council will tentatively interview on June 4 and June 5, 2025 starting at 6:00 pm
- Appointee sworn in and assumes duties: June 6, 2025
- Appointee serves until King County certifies the results of the November 2025
   General Election

#### CITY COUNCILMEMBER APPLICATION

Application is due by 5:00 p.m. on May 27, 2025.

Name	Juan Sebastian Quesa	da (Preferred name: Sebastian)
Home Address		
Zip Code	98155	
Telephone Number		
Email Address		
Are you a registered voter?		YES
Are you a resident of the City of Lake Forest Park?		YES
Length of residence in Lake Forest Park		~2 Years

1. List your educational background.

B.S. Aerospace Engineering, University of Florida Professional Certificate, Systems Engineering, MIT ProX Professional Certificate, Software Product Management, University of Washington

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.

Rocket Engine Control Systems Engineer, Blue Origin Airborne Electronic Attack Systems Engineer, The Boeing Company Avionics Design Engineer, The Boeing Company

3. Describe your community activities and volunteer work.

I have been very active in the Society of Professional Hispanic Engineers. I have mentored many young engineers and have helped them propel their careers.

4. Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.

Three years ago, the house I was living in was severely damaged by a fire. Rebuilding it required navigating the full spectrum of city processes—including planning, permitting, building inspections, and code enforcement. Drawing on my engineering and project management expertise, I led the rebuild from start to finish, working directly with city officials and contractors to bring the home back to life.

That experience gave me first-hand insight into the challenges homeowners face when undertaking renovations or improvements that require city involvement. It also reinforced my ability to interpret and resolve technical issues related to

ordinances, permits, and residential codes—skills I've developed through years of engineering and project leadership.

In addition to my technical background, I bring a strong sense of empathy to this role. I understand what it's like to be on the other side of the counter, and I'm committed to advocating for the residents of Lake Forest Park with both compassion and competence.

5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council? (300 Word Limit)

My wife and I feel incredibly fortunate to have found our forever home in Lake Forest Park. We chose this community intentionally—drawn by its natural beauty, tight-knit neighborhoods, and the unique character that generations before us have worked hard to preserve. As a young couple laying down roots, I'm committed to protecting what makes Lake Forest Park special while helping shape a safe, inclusive, and vibrant environment where our future children—and all families—can thrive.

I'm running for City Council to be a thoughtful, responsive leader who listens actively and represents the voices of our residents with integrity. I believe Lake Forest Park is—and will always—be one of the best places to live in the Greater Seattle area.

As a council member, I will focus on addressing the city's most pressing issues: ensuring fiscal sustainability in the face of budget deficits, advancing pedestrian and traffic safety, protecting our tree canopy and green spaces, and holding Sound Transit accountable as the SR 522/Stride project moves forward. I will advocate for responsible development, environmental stewardship, and stronger representation for our community at the county and state level.

6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.

#### None

7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue. **(300 Word Limit)** 

Lake Forest Park is a uniquely beautiful and close-knit community, but like many small cities, it faces significant challenges that require thoughtful leadership and collaboration.

The most urgent issue LFP is facing is the <u>projected budget deficit</u>. The City Council members must collaborate and work transparently with residents to prioritize essential services such as our police department, and explore sustainable revenue options, to ensure long-term fiscal stability without compromising the character and beauty of our community.

<u>Traffic and pedestrian safety</u> are also key concerns—especially around schools and high-traffic corridors like Ballinger Way. The city must continue investing in smart infrastructure, including traffic calming measures, and sidewalks to ensure the safety of all residents especially in areas children and elderly are at great risk. As Sound Transit's <u>Stride S3 Bus Rapid Transit project</u> advances, we need strong local advocacy. We must work to protect Lake Forest Park's environment and livability by

pushing for tree preservation, minimizing neighborhood disruption, and ensuring thoughtful design that reflects community input.

<u>Environmental conservation</u> is key to maintaining LFP's identity. Preserving our urban forest, restoring native habitats, and expanding green spaces must remain a top priority. We, the residents of LFP, but especially the council plays a vital role in adopting policies that protect our natural resources while managing responsible growth.

How do we accomplish the above?

By fostering strong community engagement, which is key to effective governance. City leadership must be accessible, transparent, and proactive in seeking resident input. Building trust through inclusive communication and collaborative decision-making will ensure that LFP continues to reflect the voices and values of the people who call it home.

#### **APPLICATION FORM ATTACHMENTS**

8. Please provide contact information for two professional references (not related to you):

Professional Reference 1 – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:

#### Trevor Gahl, Coworker,

Professional Reference 2 - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:

#### Tobias Doviak, Coworker,

9. Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.

#### Available if requested.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.

Signature	Date
Juan Sebastian Quesada	5/26/25

Name: Joshua Rosenau

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 8

**1. List your educational background.:** University of Chicago, BA in Biology, specializing in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology University of Kansas, ABD Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Director of Policy and Advocacy, Mountain Lion Foundation 2021-present Conservation Advocate, "Director of Communications, Wild Fish Conservancy 2019-2020 Deputy Director, ScienceDebate 2018 Director of Programs and Policy, National Center for Science Education 2007-2017

3. Describe your community activities and volunteer work.: Since 2022 I have served on the city's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, supporting programming as a volunteer and assisting in outreach and planning for new park development. I brought design exercises to PTA meetings and pancake breakfasts, reaching community members who could not attend evening events at City Hall. I have volunteered with LFP Stewardship Foundation crews maintaining Grace Cole and other city parks, and As a parent of 3, I have been active in the Lake Forest Park PTA, including service as Communications Chair and Advocacy Chair for a term that included the remote schooling year, and the rebuilding that has followed. I have also assisted the Shoreline PTSA council in advocacy efforts directed at maintaining school funding from the legislature and ensuring public input and understanding of the school closure process (which ultimately did not result in a closure). I also served on the Shoreline School District strategic planning discussions in 2024.

In recent months I have been organizing monthly reading groups on themes of city planning and civic engagement. The goal is a broad discussion to forge consensus on how cities can and do grow, and tools and levers that can shape and improve the life of people. Inspired partly by the recent Comp Plan process, and longer-term discussions about the future of Town Center, the 522 corridor, and the new lakefront park, the goal is to engage new publics across north King County cities, and find creative solutions that maintain what we love about our communities while responding to new needs and obligations.

4. Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.: I'm an

experienced lobbyist, advocate, and community organizer. In my work and volunteering, I have built skills in outreach and creating consensus on complex topics, including social controversies like evolution in schools and climate policy. I have worked on salmon conservation, habitat and forest protection, and as an advocate to local governments and the state legislature. The relationships I've forged through that work would help me and the city as a council member. My experience as an advocate on ballot measures would help support the city's work should there be a levy lift vote in the fall. My experience as a nonprofit leader and board member will also help with work on the council. I'm familiar with working in a group of volunteers to oversee a budget and set policy and priorities. Through my volunteering on a city board and engagement with other boards and commissions, I understand the council's work and would be able to pick up the workload quickly.

- 5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: My extended family, three generations across three households, chose LFP because we love the urban forest and the third spaces that define our city. I want to strengthen and enhance what makes us best and help the city live out its highest ideals. Having been part of the design process for the new lakefront park, I look forward to seeing that work through on the council, and shaping decisions on other parks and park expansions. I've long advocated bringing sidewalks and bike paths to our schools and community centers. The council's recent work on Healthy Streets and the legislature's new shared streets law open exciting opportunities to shape our public spaces in ways that empower the community. When we design roads for cars, we get traffic, but when we design for people, we get community. Doing that successfully, especially amid budget challenges, will be difficult. As a council member, I would be able to drive that work forward and craft creative solutions that enhance our community and bring together neighbors. In this difficult budget moment, I have management and organizing experience and insights into creative solutions that may develop consensus and build support for the choices the council makes for the city. As a long time climate educator and advocate, I know that climate policy touches everything, and only with active coordination on the council and staff level can the city fully integrate the needs of climate policy into decisions from housing and road design to park planning and regional coordination.
- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: I would not be able to serve as a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board while on the council. I do not see ways that my work for the Mountain Lion Foundation would create a conflict with council work, but would be vigilant for any overlap.
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: Budget challenges are the most immediate issue. The council has pared down expenses, and lobbied for new legislative funding. A levy lift proposal this year would require broad community buy-in, and I favor a mechanism like "participatory budgeting" to ensure transparency and accountability of that new funding, as well as outreach to

ensure the community understands what a "no" vote would cost us all in services and public safety. More broadly, amid an assault on the nation's democratic institutions, we need a council that protects residents and neighbors, and builds resilience. The climate crisis also calls for innovation to grow resilience and transform our buildings, streets, and behavior. Crises of affordability and homelessness demand creative solutions that protect beloved tree canopy while keeping our city's doors open: homes our children can return to after college, their grandparents can downsize to, and where teachers and other public servants can live in the community they serve. There are solutions that cut across those challenges, including creating ways to add less-polluting housing on existing lots, rework streets to encourage walking, biking, and transit, reform zoning to allow walkable retail near more homes, and take fossil fuel pollution out of our homes and roads. Creating more community spaces — including legalizing community cafés and groceries, adding playgrounds, and giving people priority over cars on more roads — will reduce emissions, add revenue, increase affordability, and open new housing options. Adding those solutions will call for creative outreach to every corner of the city, listening to the community's wishes for new development of housing and roads, and new tools to bring that feedback into policy, especially during the current budget challenges. On the council, I would serve as a conduit for those discussions, looking for creative solutions to implement the consensus that emerges from that outreach.

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: R. Brent Lyles, Executive Director, The Mountain Lion Foundation

**Professional Reference 2 –** Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Eugenie Scott, PhD, former Executive Director, National Center for Science Education

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: No file was uploaded

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Joshua Rosenau

Name: Richard Saunders

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 50

1. **List your educational background.:** Western Washington University BA in Business / Computer Science (1982-1987)

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Current Position: Product Director, Exponent Partners (January 2019-Present) Lead product strategy and development for B Corp specializing in nonprofit technology solutions on the Salesforce platform. Manage product development and customer success teams. Responsible for product design and delivery and involved in business alignment, go-to-market strategy, and product innovation initiatives for software that helps nonprofits understand results and create impact through better programs and services.

Previous Positions at Exponent Partners:

Director of Software Innovation (January 2018-January 2019): Led software innovation team delivering custom software solutions.

Product Manager & Solution Architect (March 2014-January 2018): Developed Exponent Case Management for human services agencies implementing case, program, and outcomes management

CRM Consultant/Technical Architect (October 2010-March 2014): Built custom solutions for human services agencies, linking data across organizations to understand impact in programs, fundraising, and operations

#### Independent Consultant:

CRM Implementor and Force.com Developer, Gaia ICT, LLC (2006-October 2010): Technical project management, systems analysis, solution design and implementation for CRM and constituent relationship management systems

Microsoft Corporation (September 1987-July 2004, 16+ years total): Program Manager (September 1995-July 2004): Senior program manager in Windows Digital Media division product development

Senior Software Test Engineer (September 1987-September 1995): Lead Software Development Engineer in Test/QA on Windows Operating System product development

3. Describe your community activities and volunteer work.: Lake Forest Park Tree

Board (October 2024-Present) Current Commissioner working with other members providing policy advice to City Council on tree-related regulations, organizing community tree planting events and educational outreach, and coordinating with Urban Forest Planner on urban forest management initiatives

Northshore Emergency Management Coalition (NEMCo) Community Emergency Response Training Certificate (May 2024 - Present)
CERT Program Trainee (Volunteer). Completed course and earned certificate.

Lake Forest Park Planning Commission (January 2011-February 2022, 11+ years) Commissioner, Vice Chair, and Chair. Participated directly in municipal planning initiatives including the Southern Gateway Subarea Plan (2011-2013), Town Center Vision implementation and ordinance development (2019-2021), and 2015 Comprehensive Plan update. Chaired multi-year public processes involving community engagement, consultant coordination, and policy development. Participated in the development of multiple city ordinances including tree regulations, ADU/DADU housing options, and updates to ordinances for clearing and grading, chickens, bees, and more.

Lake Forest Park Stewardship Foundation (January 2006-Present) Active volunteer participating in habitat restoration work parties at local parks and leading environmental improvements to Five Acre Woods. Support environmental education and conservation initiatives throughout the city. Have also participated in Grace Cole volunteer efforts.

Urban Forest Task Force (2009-2010) Member of task force that produced the 2010 City of Lake Forest Park Community Forest Management Plan, establishing foundational policies for long-term urban canopy preservation and environmental stewardship.

4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.: Municipal Government Experience:** Over 11 years of Planning Commission service provides strong understanding of city operations, municipal code development, public hearing processes, and land use law. Knowledge of Lake Forest Park's policies, procedures, and decision-making processes enables contribution with smaller learning curve.

Policy Development Involvement: Participated in development of multiple city ordinances balancing community character with growth management requirements. Experience includes Growth Management Act compliance, SEPA environmental review processes, regional coordination with neighboring jurisdictions, and Sound Transit planning coordination.

Complex Project Participation: Participated in multi-year public processes including the Southern Gateway Subarea Plan and Town Center Vision implementation. Demonstrated ability to coordinate between city staff, legal counsel, professional consultants, and diverse community stakeholders while maintaining project timelines and public engagement.

Collaborative Approach: Ability to facilitate productive dialogue and move conversations toward constructive conclusions. Strong preference in building consensus among diverse viewpoints while advancing complex policy decisions. Professional experience managing technical teams translates directly to collaborative governance.

Strategic Planning Background: Over 35 years of technology experience in product development, strategic planning, and business alignment. Current role managing product development and customer success teams demonstrates skills in stakeholder management, resource allocation, and long-term planning that directly apply to municipal governance.

Environmental Stewardship Involvement: Current Tree Board service and extensive volunteer work with environmental organizations provides understanding of Lake Forest Park's natural systems and sustainability challenges. This experience is relevant for addressing climate action, urban forestry, and environmental protection issues facing the city.

Community Connection: Multi-generational family commitment to Lake Forest Park spanning 60+ years, with extensive knowledge of community values, concerns, and aspirations gained through decades of civic engagement and public service.

5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: My family's connection to Lake Forest Park runs deep. My mother and father moved here in the mid-1960s. As a doctor and a nurse, they instilled in my three brothers and me the idea of appreciating, participating in, and giving back to the community. I have lived here as an adult since 1990, raising my three children who are now all adults. Two of my three brothers are long-time residents, raising their families in LFP. My mother still lives in LFP in a senior living facility. My brother Mike is a doctor at the University of Washington, as was my Dad. My brother Brian is on the Climate Action Committee, is a leader with the LFP Stream Keepers, and a member of the LFP Stewardship board. His wife Ellyn, my sister-in-law is a current member of the LFP City Council. To me this demonstrates a multi-generational family commitment to our community, deeply rooted in public service, and I see this appointment as an opportunity to give back to the place that has given so much to my family.

Lake Forest Park faces critical decisions in the coming months. I understand that the city needs someone to step in who can contribute immediately without a lengthy learning curve. My 11+ years on the Planning Commission have given me a strong understanding of municipal operations, from ordinance development to budget processes. I've worked directly with city staff, legal counsel, and community stakeholders on complex issues that have significant impact on the city.

This interim appointment aligns well with my current availability and intentions. I am not seeking long-term council service, but I am highly motivated to help fill this crucial need during a transitional period. I believe my experience positions me to participate constructively in important decisions facing the council over the next several months.

I believe I can provide service to the City that combines institutional knowledge with commitment to environmental stewardship and community service. My goal would be to serve in a way that honors Councilmember Lori Bodi. Her environmental advocacy and dedicated public service were truly inspirational. She exemplified the spirit of community service that Lake Forest Park needs, and I hope to continue that legacy of environmental stewardship and thoughtful governance while helping our city navigate important decisions and preserving what makes our community special.

6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: I do not currently have any activities or interests that would create a conflict of interest with my duties as a City Councilmember. I have carefully reviewed my personal, professional, and financial circumstances and identified the following potential consideration:

My sister-in-law, Ellyn Saunders, currently serves on the City Council. While this represents a family relationship with a fellow councilmember, it does not create a financial or personal conflict that would compromise my ability to make independent decisions in the best interest of Lake Forest Park residents. I am committed to evaluating all matters based on their merits and the public good, regardless of how other councilmembers, including my sister-in-law, may vote.

7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.: As a municipality within the Puget Sound Growth Area, Lake Forest Park faces the ongoing challenge of preserving what makes our community unique—our stream-fed landscape with critical environmental areas, our highly engaged residents who are deeply committed to community building and local government participation, and our distinctive character that comes from decades of history and evolution—while managing the pressures of regional urban growth.

Budget Management and Fiscal Responsibility: With city expenses rapidly outpacing revenue, the Council faces difficult decisions about maintaining service levels while working within limited revenue options. The Council's role is to prioritize essential services, explore cost efficiencies, and make strategic investments that support long-term fiscal health.

Transportation and Sound Transit Coordination: As Sound Transit implements its regional transit expansion, the Council must actively advocate for Lake Forest Park residents while supporting voter-approved regional transportation goals. This requires ongoing engagement with Sound Transit to minimize environmental and quality-of-life impacts on our community.

Climate Action and Environmental Preservation: With the Climate Policy Advisory Team making important updates to the Climate Action Plan, the Council will need to review and adopt policies that address climate change through practical local actions. This

could include supporting improved transportation options, thoughtful density planning, pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements, and continued protection of our tree canopy and parks system that preserves our unique environmental character.

I believe these are the most pressing issues requiring immediate Council attention. However, I recognize that the Council must also maintain its ongoing commitment to infrastructure maintenance, public safety and emergency preparedness, and community engagement and transparency—foundational responsibilities that require consistent attention regardless of other priorities

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Amy Miesen, colleague at Exponent Partners-Director of Client Services,

**Professional Reference 2** – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Rem Hoffmann, my manager at Exponent Partners-Chief Executive Officer,

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: Recommendation for Richard Saunders re Interim Council Position.pdf

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Richard W. Saunders

From: Mark Phillips

**Subject: Recommendation for Richard Saunders re Interim Council Position** 

**Date:** May 21, 2025 at 5:32:19 PM PDT

To: Matthew McLean

Cc: Tom French

Hello Matt,

Please consider the following as part of Richard Sanders' application for the current intern Council position.

I've known Richard Saunders for at least 25 years, since well before we served together on the Planning Commission. I served one term, Richard served much longer, as you know. As a Planning Commissioner, he participated in shaping so many of the actions the City has taken in recent years. He is extremely knowledgeable about local government, and especially how Lake Forest Park works. He is also a skilled technology guy!

Richard knows the art of dialogue, and is someone who will help move conversations along toward good conclusions. He has my highest recommendation to fill the current interim Council vacancy. We are very fortunate that he is interested in the position. Richard is someone I would love to have served with on the Council during my time as a Councilmember.

It should also be noted that through his volunteer work he has contributed as much as anyone to the healthy natural environment that we have today, from testing stream water with the Streamkeepers to his current work with the Stewardship Foundation making great improvements to Five Acre Woods.

The only drawback I see is if he is appointed he will not be available to the Tree Board for 6-7 months. Could we consider that a temporary leave of absence?

Thank you!

Mark Philips Chair, LFP Tree Board Name: Andrew H Weber

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 2010

1. **List your educational background.:** University of Washington, Michael G Foster School of Business, Master of Business Administration (MBA) 2016

Louisiana State University, Master of Science - Physics 2009

University of Maryland, Bachelor of Science - Physics 2002

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Sr. Manager, Systems Engineering, Thermo Fisher Scientific 2017 - Present. I lead the Engineering organization for the Imaging business unit. My team designs the next generation instruments for a \$70MM+ cell biology instrument portfolio. I also lead the Value Engineering team responsible for cost reduction across the Biosciences Division.

Vice President of Operations, Plexera LLC 2013 - 2016. As Vice President of a small international start-up, I was involved with nearly all aspects of running the company, including the management of a global engineering team, building and maintaining the supply chain, developing strategic partnerships, and participating in the creation of the business plan and capital raise.

Director of Operations, Plexera LLC 2010 - 2013. As Director of Operations, I lead the company through the first commercial product launch.

Beamline Manager, J. Bennett Johnston, Sr., Center for Advanced Microstructures and Devices (CAMD), a synchrotron radiation research center operated by Louisiana State University, 2007-2010. I managed the Small Angle X-ray Scattering Beamline, transforming the line into one of the busiest and most reliable beamlines at the Center.

3. **Describe your community activities and volunteer work.:** Commodore, Puget Sound Cruising Club, a 501 (C)(3) organization | 2022-2023. Led a club of 350+

members through the 50th anniversary year. Raised money, planned events, facilitated membership meetings.

Board member, Membership chair, Puget Sound Cruising Club, a 501 (C)(3) organization | 2019 - present. Responsibilities include On-boarding new members, recruiting new members, and maintaining club directory.

Judge, Washington State Science and Engineering Fair | 2023 - present. Judge for k-12 science and engineering fair projects.

Baton Rouge Progressive Network, a 501 (C)(3) organization, Board Chair | 2008, Led the organization through the founding of a community radio station (WHYR 96.9 FM)

Beauregard Town Civic Association, Board Member, 2009-2010

Vice President, LSU Graduate Student Council, 2005 – 2006

4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** Leadership and strategic planning experience - I lead cross-functional, global teams to deliver high-impact, life-saving products. I practice thoughtful leadership, arrange win-win collaborations, and lead responsible long-term planning and responsible budgeting. I leverage the knowledge from my Executive MBA coupled with experience as a business leader to make well-informed strategic decisions for the betterment of the organization and the people it serves.

Technical and analytical skills - My broad expertise in science, engineering, and business provide me the tools to evaluate complex data, regulations, and policy proposals with a clear and logical perspective. I would bring an evidence-based, solution-oriented, and thoughtful mindset to Council meetings.

Strong communication, collaboration, and community-building experience - I bring a proven track record of fostering inclusive, transparent, and collaborative environments. My leadership roles in both professional and volunteer settings have emphasized open communication, strategic engagement, collaboration, and community empowerment.

5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: As a 15-year resident, homeowner, and proud father of a Shorecrest High School student, I have a

deep, personal investment in Lake Forest Park. I care deeply about the health, growth, and sustainability of the community we live in, and I believe this is the right time and the right way for me to serve.

I was drawn to this position because I have both the ability and the desire to contribute meaningfully as a City Councilmember. My professional background spans leadership roles in science, engineering, and business, where I've managed multiple crossfunctional teams and achieved results. I bring with me strategic planning skills, budgetary responsibility, and a commitment to collaborative, thoughtful leadership.

I have a long track record of community-building. I've led and served on the boards of civic and nonprofit organizations—from chairing the Baton Rouge Progressive Network during the founding of a community radio station, to organizing events and outreach as Commodore of the Puget Sound Cruising Club. I also volunteer as a judge for the Washington State Science and Engineering Fair, supporting the next generation of problem-solvers.

I see Lake Forest Park as a unique and special place in the Pacific Northwest. I was drawn here 15 years ago by a strong sense of community, natural beauty, and opportunities to live and work in the best city in the Pacific Northwest. I want to help preserve those qualities while responsibly planning for the future—ensuring easy mobility, environmental stewardship, responsible housing solutions, public discourse, and vibrant community life. I believe that local government works best when residents bring their skills and voices to the table and I'm looking forward to serving in that capacity.

- 6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: I have no known conflicts of interest
- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Lake Forest Park community and the City Council's role in addressing each issue.:

  Budget Challenges and Financial Sustainability

We're currently experiencing a growing gap between rising costs and limited revenue growth. I see the City Council's role in addressing the deficit is threefold. First, the Council has a role to solicit community input into the matter as solutions will directly impact the community. Second, the Council can explore grants and additional sources

of revenue to help close the gap. And thirdly, the Council's role in addressing this challenging issue is to review spending and identify areas where the city can operate more efficiently while preserving core services.

#### Housing

With Washington's recently enacted HB1110, middle housing has become an important issue facing the City. The City Council's role here is to solicit community input while providing policy solutions that align housing strategies with community values. The Council also ensures policy complies with state legislation by the state policy deadlines.

#### Climate Planning Initiatives

Climate change is an urgent issue and the City of Lake Forest Park has an important role to play. The City Council should ensure the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to align with the state's net-zero emissions target, and address vulnerabilities to climate change by enacting policies that protect the community and improve preparedness and resilience. The Council also has the role of soliciting public input and to update the city's Comprehensive Plan with strategies to meet climate-related goals.

**Professional Reference 1 -** Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Nick Wolf, Colleague and Project Manager,

**Professional Reference 2** – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Vicki Hurless, Colleague and Program Manager,

Letters of Recommendation (optional): You may attach up to two letters of recommendation to this application.: No file was uploaded

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided herein is true and correct.: Andrew H. Weber