



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 04, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Meeting Location: In Person and Virtual / Zoom

17425 Ballinger Way NE Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND/OR ACTION

A. Interview of City Council Candidates: Andrew Weber, Sam Orallo, and Sebastian Quesada

- Candidate Introduction (5 minutes per candidate)

- City Council pre-determined set of questions (14-21 minutes per candidate)

- Follow-up questions for candidates (4-11 minutes per candidate)

B. Executive Session - review of City Council candidates' qualifications per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(h).

C. Overview of the Mayor's statutory authority to vote in case of a tie per the Governance Manual and RCW 36A.12.100

D. Selection of a City Council Vice-Chair

4. ADJOURN

FUTURE SCHEDULE

- 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 23, 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: 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 cross-functional 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

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.cityofflp.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: mmclean@cityofflp.gov

- 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 Quesada (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 projected budget deficit. 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.

Traffic and pedestrian safety 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 Stride S3 Bus Rapid Transit project 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.

Environmental conservation 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 Juan Sebastian Quesada	Date 5/26/25
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1. Lake Forest Park is currently experiencing fiscal challenges, with General Fund expenditures exceeding revenues. In the 2025–2026 biennium, the City Council utilized approximately \$800,000 from its nearly \$7.3 million in unallocated fund balance—excluding reserves designated for emergencies. While the city has taken steps to reduce expenses, it has worked to preserve essential public services. Looking ahead, a projected budget shortfall of approximately \$1.6 million is anticipated for the 2027–2028 biennium.

How would you propose addressing this projected imbalance? Please be specific in describing your approach.

2. Lake Forest Park is what they call “built-out”, meaning there are not a lot of places to build new housing. What ideas do you have to increase the amount of affordable housing in LFP?
3. Given what you know about the current City budget concerns, would you advocate to cut services or propose a property tax ballot to the community? If you advocate to reduce services, what services in the General Fund would you start looking into?
4. Given the short duration of this appointment term, what big ideas do you feel you can move forward with in that timeframe?
5. Describe a time that you had a disagreement with people but were able to reach a consensus or compromise.
6. Identify the top two policy issues facing the Lake Forest Park, and briefly state how you would approach them.