

CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE INFORMATION

January 4, 2019

Role of City Councilmembers

The City Council, as the legislative body of the City, establishes local laws and policies, consistent with State law, through the enactment of ordinances and resolutions. All elected officials in Washington are required to submit annual personal financial affairs statements to the Public Disclosure Commission. City Councilmembers serve as liaisons to the City's numerous Boards and Commissions. These meetings are held at various times throughout the month. Councilmembers also represent the City on various intergovernmental boards and committees that typically meet monthly at various times.

Term and Attendance at Meetings

The City Council body consists of seven positions, each having a four-year term. The City Council meets regularly on the first and third Mondays of each month, with a work/study session meeting held the Thursday preceding the Monday meeting. These meetings are evening meetings, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Throughout the year, special meetings or work sessions are called when the need arises. Three consecutive, unexcused absences result in forfeiture of office.

Council Compensation

Members of the City Council receive \$800 per month as payment for their services and to reimburse out-of-pocket expenses related to regular duties and responsibilities. The Mayor, who is elected from among the City Councilmembers for a two-year term, receives the sum of \$1,000 per month. Pay for Councilmembers will be subject to participation in the Cities Municipal Employees' Benefits Trust for temporary employees, (MEBT-Temporary).

Applications can be submitted via email to cityhall@ci.mlt.wa.us or via regular mail to:

**City of Mountlake Terrace
Attn: Office of the City Clerk
6100 219th Street SW, Suite 200
Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043**

**All persons interested in applying for the appointment must submit this application
no later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2019.**

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043

Phone Number: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Years lived in Mountlake Terrace: _____ Registered Voter (Yes/No): _____

Employment and Education

Name of Employer: _____ City: _____

High School: _____ Diploma (Yes/No): _____

College Degree (Type): _____ College Major: _____

Other Formal Education/Training: _____

Applicants must respond to all of the following questions. Please provide a written response on separate paper and attach to this application. Applicants may also include a resume, if desired.

1. Summarize your involvement in the Mountlake Terrace community and if relevant, your previous communities. Include activities on city boards, with city events, local community groups, civic organizations, youth organizations, etc.
2. What experience do you have working as a member of a group to develop consensus?
3. What do you like most about living in Mountlake Terrace?
4. What do you think is the most important issue facing the City? Why? How would you approach addressing it?
5. Explain your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a City Council member.
6. What do you see as the greatest strength you would bring to the City Council?
7. How much time would you be able to devote to your responsibilities as a City Council member?
8. Why are you interested in being appointed to the City Council?