

## WARD THREE VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT:

The McMinnville City Council invites members of McMinnville's Ward 3 to apply to fill a vacant City Council seat from 04/22/2022 through the general elections that occur on November 8, 2022. This seat is open due to Council President Remy Drabkin's recent appointment as Interim Mayor.

Below is information about the role of a City Councilor to help you determine if this opportunity is right for you.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to our City Recorder, Claudia Cisneros, with any questions about this appointment process. at <a href="mailto:claudia.cisneros@mcminnvilleoregon.gov">claudia.cisneros@mcminnvilleoregon.gov</a> or call (503) 435-5702. Even if you decide not to apply at this time, we hope that you'll join our City Council meetings and stay involved with your city government.

Sincerely,

Interim Mayor Remy Drabkin, Councilor Adam Garvin, Councilor Chris Chenoweth, Councilor Zack Geary, Councilor Kellie Menke, and Councilor Sal Peralta

## **City Council Information**

The City Council is the policy-making body of the City of McMinnville. The Council adopts laws and regulations, adopts annual City goals and objectives, and adopts budgets providing a wide range of public services. The Council gives direction to City staff through the City Manager, Jeff Towery, who serves at the pleasure of the City Council. The Mayor is the leader of the City Council and presides over City Council meetings. The Mayor only votes in the case of a tie vote by City Councilors.

Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 pm and Work Sessions on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm in the McMinnville Civic Hall (200 NE 2nd St) and online using Zoom. City Council meetings are a foundational element of McMinnville governance allowing members of the public an opportunity to speak to their elected officials directly and to watch governance in action. Each City Council meeting is open to the public and is streamed live and replayed on local community TV channels. Agendas and packets are posted to the City's website before each meeting and material is retained for historical purposes. In addition to the regular Council meetings, City Council may meet for special meetings, goal-setting meetings, or trainings, typically held on weekday evenings. City Council also meets



privately in Executive Session regarding topics allowed by Oregon Public Meetings Law; no decisions are made in an Executive Session and generally those meetings are an opportunity for the City Council to receive information about legal action, real estate transactions, or labor negotiations.

The City Council also receives advice and guidance from a variety of boards, committees, and commissions and individual City Councilors serve as liaisons to those groups.

While prior government experience is not a requirement of a City Councilor it can be helpful to have an understanding of local government or to have served on a board, committee, or commission. The City Council is most interested in appointing someone with good decision–making skills, an understanding of public budgets, and, perhaps most importantly, someone who values the public services our City provides to residents, businesses, and visitors.

Please submit your application by **5 p.m. on 06/14/2022**. We plan to interview applicants on 06/22/2022 during a City Council Meeting and to appoint the Interim City Councilor at the 06/22/2022 City Council Meeting. If selected, you would begin your service at the 06/28 regular City Council Meeting where you will take your Oath of Office and be sworn in. Applications are available on the City's website or upon request from the City Recorder's office. Applications should be emailed to

<u>Claudia.Cisneros@mcminnvilleoregon.gov</u> or mailed to Claudia Cisneros, City Recorder, 230 NE Second Street, McMinnville, Oregon 97128. They may also be dropped off in the mail drop-off box at the McMinnville City Hall, 230 NE Second Street, prior to the deadline.