Camas

Application for Appointment to Council

Duties and Responsibilities

The City operates under a Council-Mayor form of government. The seven-member City Council serves as the non-partisan legislative body of the City.

The Camas City Council is the legislative authority of the City of Camas.

The Council is responsible for setting policy, adopting the annual budget, adopting laws, determining the services to be provided and the funding levels for those services, and confirming the Mayor's appointments of citizens to its advisory boards commissions and committees.

The duties of a City Council Member will likely involve an average minimum commitment of 20-40 hours per month for preparation, participation, and attendance at various meetings and community activities.

Beyond the broad duties previously mentioned, Council Member duties include, but are not limited to:

- Attendance is required at City Council meetings, which are held on the first and third Monday evenings of each month, from 4:30 pm to 9:00 pm and occasionally later.
- From time to time, the City Council or Mayor may call special City Council meetings to handle city business.
- Attendance is also required at the Council's Annual Planning Session usually held over a weekend in January.
- Council Members are expected to serve on Council Sub-Committees, regional boards, and commissions, and to represent the City Council at various community functions. These various meetings and functions occur normally during the evenings but may also occur on some weekends and during some weekdays.
- Some travel is expected locally, regionally, and/or within the State of Washington involving various organizations of which the City of Camas is a member. Council Members may also, at their discretion, travel and attend training, education and/or participate in other organizations at the local, regional, state, or in some instances, on the national level. Travel, education, and training expenses for local, regional, state, and national activities are reimbursed in accordance with City policy applicable to all employees and City officials, subject to the budgetary limit set for each Council Member and for the City Council as a whole.

The stipend for a Council Member is \$1,224.00 per month plus a \$75 per month technology allowance.

Notice: The term of this appointment, for the vacated Council Member position, is anticipated to run April 2025, thru November 25, 2025 (unfulfilled term end). If the successful candidate is interested in continuing to serve as a Council Member, they would need to run in November 2025 for the position's unexpired 2-year term. Candidates interested in running for this office, should check with Clark County Elections for the special filing dates. The phone number for the elections department is (564) 397-2345.

Application Questions

IMPORTANT! This online form will not save; it must be completed in its entirety all at once. It is recommended that you familiarize yourself with all the required fields, on this tab and the Supplemental Questions tab, in order to return and complete it at all once:

- Application (digitally signed)
- 2. One-page cover letter upload indicating your interest and general qualifications for the position
- 3. Resume upload (no more than 2 pages)
- 4. Answers to the Supplemental Questions (no more than 2 pages)
- 5. Voter registration card upload
- 6. Declaration and Affidavit of Candidacy; notary signature and seal required

The timeline for filling the Council vacancy is as follows:

March 14, 2025 (Friday): Applications due to City staff by 5:00 pm

April 8, 2025 (Tuesday): <u>Special Meeting at 4:00 pm</u> is scheduled to conduct candidate interviews followed by an Executive Session and council vote. The new Council Member will be sworn in on Monday, April 21, 2025, approximately 7:00 pm.

To be considered, your application must be complete and received by the City staff at Camas City Hall (616 NE 4th Avenue) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 14, 2025. Additional written information after this date will not be accepted, unless requested by the City Council.

Inquiries and questions pertaining to this process or documentation should be directed to:

City Clerk's Office

616 NE 4th Avenue

Camas, WA 98607

Contact Phone: (360) 834-6864 Email Address: administration@cityofcamas.us

Application



Eligibility Requirements, Notification and Signature

A Council Member for the City of Camas must have continuously resided within City limits for a minimum of one year and be a registered voter in Camas, Washington. Must currently reside within the Ward where the opening exists.

IF you hold, participate in, or are involved in any contracts with the City, AND/OR you hold any other elected public office, PLEASE provide those details in your cover letter

Are you a registered Yes voter in Camas, WA?

Voter Registration

Card*

You can get it online at Voter Portal (votewa.gov), enter your details, in the left pane go to "Voter Registration" and

save this screenshot in any manner to upload

elzingre voter reg card.png

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To confirm Residency and Ward, go to MapsOnline, Clark County WA. GIS. Enter your address on the "Search" tab to confirm that your address is within Camas Ward 2.

Do you reside within Yes

Ward 2 of the City of

Camas?*

How long have you

9 years

been a resident of the

City of Camas?*

How long have you

9 years

lived at your current

address?*

Previous Address

If you have lived at your current address for less than 12 months, please list your previous address.

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Stale / Province / Region

Postal / Zip Code

Country

Length of Time at Previous Address

Financial Interest or

Business?*

Do you, or any family member residing in your household, have a financial interest in, or are you an employee or

officer of any business or agency that conducts business with the City of Camas?

No

Washington State

I am legally qualified to serve in this capacity.

Qualification*

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Attachment Cover

20250222 City Council Application cover letter.pdf

764.96KB

Letter*

(† page limit)

Attachment Resume * Elzingre Resume 2025.docx

85.8KB

(2 page limit)

Please note that:

- Once a Council Member application is filed with the City, it is a public record available to the public.
- The applications received from all candidates who meet the minimum requirements of state law will be
 posted on the City of Camas website as part of the Council's meeting packet the week of the initial
 interview.
- If appointed, you will be required by state law to file a personal financial disclosure statement with the Washington Public Disclosure Commission (www.pdc.wa.gov).

Signature*

As an applicant, I declare that I am qualified for appointment to this public office and acknowledge the information provided on this application will be available to the public.

Martin Elzinghe

Supplemental Questions

IMPORTANT! This online form will not save. Be sure to complete your application, voter registration card upload, cover letter and resume uploads, and the entirety of these supplemental questions before submitting.

Suggestion - prepare your answers ahead of time and when ready to submit the application, copy and paste them into the fields.

Question 1.*

1. Why do you want to serve on the Camas City Council?

To apply my background and skills as a manager and administrator to benefit the city that I adopted as my home.

Question 2.*

What experiences, falents or skills would you bring to the city government that you would like to highlight?

I have extensive experience building teams and managing complex interactions between disparate individuals. I've spent my career working with some of the most demanding customers and technology companies in a fast-paced industry that requires uncompromising advancement and teamwork.

Question 3.*

What forms of public service or volunteering have you been involved in: and/or what other elected bodies have you sought a seal or been elected to? Provide details regarding the dates, organization/agency names, roles and responsibilities.

Northwest Association for Blind Athletes - Volunteer and Guide

Youth Sports organizer and volunteer HOA volunteer and board member STEM Mentoring for young women

Question 4.*

What is your vision for Camas four or five years from now? Explain how you would lead the community toward your vision.

A vibrant community with thriving businesses where people come to enjoy a high quality of life that includes great schools, great parks, good neighbors and a government that manages resources effectively resulting in a great community experience.

Question 5.*

In your opinion, what are the top two or three most significant challenges facing the City of Camas today? How would you propose to address these challenges?

Growth - How do we grow the city in a way that ensures younger families find it attractive to live here and provide the infrastructure necessary to support our way of life across all parts of the city. I think we need to attract more business to provide a broader tax base. We have to be transparent with our constituents to understand their priorities and fund them appropriately.

Trust - We need to ensure we understand priorities, listen and confirm we are executing on the highest value, most desirable programs such that voters know we are acting in the best interest of camas not just special interests or vocal minorities. I would work throughout my ward to meet, discuss and understand their priorities and maintain a consistent, transparent two way dialog.

Natural resources - Camas is a place of great beauty with many options for outdoor activities. We must continue to be stewards of the land and our lakes. We must ensure access to trails and a clean Lacamas Lake. Our parks must continue to provide high quality places for families to meet and enjoy. I will work understand a science based approach to ensure we preserve our natural recourses and work to improve recreational opportunities.

Declaration and Affidavit

Click the link below to download the affidavit form:

Declaration and Affidavit of Candidacy

This must be notarized and emailed to administration@cityofcamas.us or hand-delivered to the Clerk's Office at 616 NE 4th Avenue.

Mayor Steve Hogan, et al City of Camas 616 NE 4th Avenue Camas, WA 98607

Re: Application for Camas City Council, Ward Two Vacancy

I am writing to apply for the open council seat in Ward Two. I ran for this seat, unsuccessfully, in 2021. I hope that my background and skills as a manager and administrator will benefit the city that I adopted as my home.

While my political experience is virtually non-existent, my experience in building teams and managing complex interactions between disparate individuals is vast. I've spent my career working with some of the most demanding customers and technology companies in a fast-paced industry that requires uncompromising advancement and teamwork.

Some may apply for this position because they see some imminent looming crises or perhaps have a specific agenda. Of course, I recognize and am familiar with the issues facing the city around education, taxes and demographics but I do not think we are deep in crisis, nor do I have a specific agenda except to do my best to work with existing council members to achieve the best possible results for the city of Camas and Ward Two. If chosen, I will serve with humility and integrity, do my best to understand the nuances of the issues, and work with the existing members to find the best solutions.

Thanks in advance for your consideration,

Martin Elzingre

Camas, WA. 98607

Martin Elzingre

Semiconductor Executive and Board Member

Experience:

Edwards Vacuum Technology

April 2022 to present - **President and GM - N. America** Responsible for all aspects of running a high-tech semiconductor technology company P&L including HR, Finance, Sales, Marketing, Engineering and Service

KLA

January 2012 to 2022 - **GM - N. America**Increasing responsibilities including marketing, sales management, and general P&L management for the leading supplier of Inspection and metrology equipment to the semiconductor industry.

Other Semiconductor Experience

Lam Research – Product Marketing Electroglas – Test Marketing and Service management High yield Technology – Yield and applications Engineer DEC – Process Engineer

Board Experience

SEMI – Board member since 2022 Atlas Copco Financial Services – Member since 2023 Edwards - Member since 2022 Lacamas Shores – Two term Board member

Patents and Publications:

Multiple patents, publications, and conference proceedings in the semiconductor industry

Volunteering

Northwest Association for Blind Athletes – Volunteer and Guide Youth Sports organizer and volunteer HOA volunteer and board member STEM Mentoring for young women

Education

B.A. in Business Administration, University of Phoenix

Personal

Married 33 years, three children.



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