

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, canvassing 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