Name: Ashton Alvarez McCartney

Are you a registered voter?: Yes

## Are you a resident of Lake Forest Park?: Yes

## Length of residence in Lake Forest Park?: 35

1. List your educational background.: LFP Elementary, Kings/Kellogg, Shorecrest University of Washington Foster Business School Insurance Designations, REBC & GBDS

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer.: Employee Benefits Consultant / Broker - DiMartino Associates (11 YRS) Employee Benefits Consultant / Broker - Hays Companies (3 YRS)

 Describe your community activities and volunteer work.: Planning Commission, Past Chair (2022 - Current)
Board of Directors, Trustee, Goodwill (2023 - Current) Worship Team, Drummer (2015 -Current)
Host LFP Horizon View Park Egg Hunt & North Pole Post (2023 - Current)

4. **Describe your special qualifications applicable to the City Council.:** Multiple years on Planning Commission with emphasis work on the recent Comp plan and middle housing needs. Professionally, have consulted for 10+ years on WA Counties fund from a strategic, planning and legislative lens related to employee benefits.

I was born in LFP and my husband and I decided to raise our family near my childhood home. I have lived in LFP for over 35 years.

5. Why do you want to serve on the Lake Forest Park City Council?: am motivated by a desire to be a direct voice for our diverse community residents. I also believe in making informed decisions based on data and community input, and I would greatly appreciate being a part of the process crafting policies that best serve our beautiful community.

6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council.: N/A. Note: Planning Commission – would require a replacement.

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.: Immediate: Middle Housing & Budget challenges prove to be a leading concerns, reconciling limited resources with growing needs. Councils role in addressing the issue is a strong and effective communication strategy with residents while also exploring potential for generating new revenue for the city.

**Professional Reference 1** - Name, Relationship, Phone, Email: John Wallen, EVP @ DiMartino Associates,

Professional Reference 2 – Name, Relationship, Phone, Email:: Bobby Jackson, Exec Director @ Washington Counties Insurance Fund –

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.: Ashton Alvarez McCartney