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To: <u>Council</u>

Subject: Application for City Council Position No. 3 - Daniel Scherzer

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Dear Medina City Council,

My name is Daniel Scherzer, and I am interested in applying for the open position #3 on the Medina City Council. I am at least 18 years old, a registered voter, and have been a resident of Medina for at least a year.

This is not the first time that I have been interested in serving the Medina community. In the summer of 2017, in response to a notice about vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Board, I applied to join the board. At the time, I was only 15 years old, and, from what I was told at the time, this presented some potential complications - apparently no one under the age of 18 had previously applied to any of the public boards or commissions. To allow me to serve, the City Council at the time created a new "Youth Advisor" position on the park board (see Ordinance No. 946 as well as minutes from the City Council meeting of June 12, 2017). I was subsequently appointed to that newly created position (see minutes from the same meeting) for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2017, and was reappointed a year later.

I served two terms as the youth advisor to the park board before aging-out of eligibility for the position, and subsequently left town to attend college. After graduating a few months ago with a bachelor's degree in political science (with a second major in computer science), I returned home to Medina, and my desire to serve my community is as strong as ever. I believe that I can bring a fresh (younger) perspective to the Council, along with my strong organization and communication skills. I also understand parliamentary procedure - back in high school I served as the parliamentarian for the YMCA Youth Legislature and participated in Model United Nations and the Junior State of America program.

I work remotely part-time and am currently pursuing my master's degree through an online program; my schedule is flexible and allows me to devote time and energy to giving back to my community.

If the Council has any questions for me, I can be reached by email (<<u>Daniel.e.scherzer@gmail.com</u>>) or at hearing from you.

Thanks,

--Daniel Scherzer