Esteban Cardenas

City Manager

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City of Pahokee

Dear Hiring Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in the City Manager position at the City of Pahokee, as advertised. With my extensive background in economics, education, and community involvement, along with my lifelong residency in Pahokee, I am confident in my ability to effectively serve and lead our city.

As a native of Pahokee, I have a deep-rooted commitment to the well-being and prosperity of our community. Having grown up here, I understand the unique challenges and opportunities that our city faces, and I am dedicated to making a positive impact in our local government.

My educational background includes a Master of Science in Economics from Florida Atlantic University, where I maintained a GPA of 3.601. During my graduate studies, I conducted research and assisted professors in various projects, honing my skills in data analysis, research methodologies, and economic principles.

In addition to my academic qualifications, I have gained valuable experience in both the public and private sectors. I have served as a Mathematics Teacher and Social Science Teacher in the Palm Beach School District, where I developed strong leadership and communication skills. I have also worked as an Economic/Financial Advisor at St. Mary's Catholic Church, providing strategic guidance and financial analysis to support organizational goals.

My diverse professional background, combined with my passion for community service and my proficiency in public speaking and data analysis, uniquely qualify me for the role of City Manager. I am eager to leverage my skills and experience to contribute to the growth and success of the City of Pahokee.

Thank you for considering my application. I am excited about the opportunity to further discuss how my qualifications align with the needs of the city. I look forward to the possibility of serving as City Manager and working collaboratively with the community to achieve our shared goals.

Sincerely,

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EXPERIENCE

Palm Beach School District, Pahokee Middle School — *Mathematics Teacher*

SEPTEMBER 2016 - JUNE 2018

Kimball Political Consulting, Boca Raton — Survey and Polling Assistant

AUGUST 2018 - NOVEMBER 2018

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pahokee — Economic/Financial Advisor

APRIL 2018 - CURRENT

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton Campus — Economics Graduate Teacher Assistant

AUGUST 2018 - MAY 2019

ZRS Management, Fort Lauderdale — *Marketing & Data Associate*

MARCH 2019 - AUGUST 2019

Palm Beach School District, Pahokee High School — Social Science Teacher

AUGUST 2019 - CURRENT

Palm Beach State College, Loxahatchee Campus — Economics Adjunct Professor

IANUARY 2020 - CURRENT

Eastern Gateway Community College, Steubenville — Online Economics Adjunct Professor

MARCH 2021 - CURRENT

Palm Beach School District, Pahokee High School — *International Baccalaureate Coordinator*

MAY 2023 - CURRENT

SKILLS

Public Speaking

Presenting Data/Research

Interpersonal Communication

IBM SPSS Statistics Software

STATA

Analyzing Data/Research

Microsoft Office

Google Ads

Facebook Ads

RESEARCH

Measured level of assimilation to the US between Hispanics

Conferences:

Florida Undergraduate Research Conference 2017

National Conference on Undergraduate Research 2017

Measured American perception on Refugees across different demographics

Conferences:

Florida Undergraduate Research Conference 2018

National Conference on Undergraduate Research 2018

2nd place Undergraduate

EDUCATION

Palm Beach State College, Belle Glade — Associate in Arts

AUGUST 2014 - DECEMBER 2015

GPA: 3.977. Maintained the highest grades, allowed me to communicate with professors at ease. Had a warm relationship with staff members.

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton — Bachelor of Science in Economics

JANUARY 2016 - MAY 2018

GPA: 3.903. Was part of the Business and Economics Polling Initiative in FAU where most of my undergraduate research was conducted.

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton — *Master of Science in Economics*

MAY 2018 - MAY 2019

GPA: 3.601. Graduate research work was completed, along with assisting professors in their research.

COMMUNICATION

6th **Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon,** Teamwork USA — *Audience:* ≈400

APRIL 2019

Orchestra Program Donor's Night, Teamwork USA — *Audience:* ≈300

MARCH 2018

Senior Night Award Ceremony Pahokee High School — *Audience*: ≈300

MAY 2015

Incubate Youth Economic Summit Pahokee High School — *Audience:* ≈150

MARCH 2022

LANGUAGES

Spanish