



CITY OF
PORT LAVACA

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Dear Honorable Council,

June 4, 2026

I formally request that you remove the designation "Interim" from the title of our current Interim City Manager and recognize the current Interim City Manager as the City Manager of the City of Port Lavaca. To that end, my best and strongest objective evidence is that the council has allowed this arrangement for six years without challenge; that history may support the practical interpretation that the residency requirement has been satisfied, although that is clearly a political argument more than a weak "doesn't hold water" legal one.

When Jody was hired, the interim label was placed on her because she was in fact not any type of resident in City. Now, not only has she made City Hall a part time home, she has purchased a residence in town where she and her family spend much time. She does not rent it out. It is up to us (council) to now determine whether we think she is a resident of this town as contemplated in the Charter. It is up to us, not some black and white standard. We (council) determine what that word means.

Very Respectfully,

Honorable Mayor Luis De La Garza