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Stevenson City Council

Dear Members of the Stevenson City Council,

It is with a heavy heart that I submit my resignation from my position as a member of the Stevenson City Council, effective immediately.

Over the course of my tenure, I have strived to serve the interests of our community with dedication and integrity. I have worked diligently to address the concerns of our citizens and to contribute positively to the growth and development of our city. However, recent events and ongoing issues within the Council have led me to conclude that I can no longer effectively serve in this capacity.

My decision to resign stems from a deep-seated discontent with the behavior and attitudes of some of my fellow council members. It has become increasingly clear that the collaborative spirit and shared commitment to our community's well-being, which are essential for the effective functioning of this body, are not being upheld. The persistent lack of respect, cooperation, and ethical conduct among certain members has not only hindered our ability to make sound decisions but has also created an environment that is counterproductive and distressing.

I believe that a city council should be a place where diverse perspectives are respected, constructive dialogue is encouraged, and the collective goal is the betterment of our city. Unfortunately, the current dynamics within our council do not reflect these values. This discord undermines the trust placed in us by the citizens of Stevenson and prevents us from fulfilling our responsibilities effectively.

I want to express my gratitude to the residents of Stevenson for their support and trust in me. Serving on this council has been an honor, and I remain committed to contributing to our community in other ways. I also wish to thank the council members who have maintained their dedication and professionalism throughout these challenging times.

It is my hope that my departure will prompt a necessary reflection and encourage positive changes within the council, leading to a more respectful and effective governance for the benefit of all Stevenson residents.

Sincerely, Kristy McCaskell