

CITY COUNCILMEMBER APPLICATION

Application is due by 11:59 p.m. April 15th, 2026

Name Thad Roth _____

Are you a registered voter? Yes _____

Are you a resident of the City of Stevenson? Yes _____

Length of residence in Stevenson? 6 years _____

1. List your educational background (or attach resume). _____

Masters Degree - Public Administration

Bachelors Degree - History

2. Please state your occupational background, beginning with your current occupation and employer (or attach resume). _____

Retired - 12/31/25

Energy Trust of Oregon - 04/2008 through 12/25

Responsible for overseeing implementation of residential efficiency programs for the state of Oregon's mandated utility programs. Responsibilities included staff management, budget development, program design and implementation, and reporting.

Coordinated strategic planning, program design, and implementation with key stakeholders including utilities, state agencies, municipalities, and relevant federal government agencies.

Oversaw performance management of a staff of eight and contract management of a total of 50+ FTE.

Columbia River PUD - 05/1991 through 03/2008

Managed a Key Account program focused on large industrial customers and key local stakeholders to meet community strategic goals;

Managed utility communications utilizing web, print and electronic media;
Managed cross-functional teams implementing strategic programs;
Represented the PUD in economic development efforts and utility forums.

3. Describe your community activities and volunteer work (or attach resume).
Much of my recent community activities have been focused through my previous employer's volunteer program in support of such groups as Oregon Food Bank, Community Energy Project and other non-profit community based organizations.

I have also served as a Board member of a Community Action Agency (Community Action Team) and as a Board member of Scappoose Bay Watershed council

4. Describe your special qualifications applicable to City Council. _____
I have significant experience working in the public sector, through direct employment, and through contract work in support of public sector and legislative initiatives.

Experience developing program strategies, budget development, and program implementation in the public sector.

Significant experience in working with various key stakeholder groups to accomplish shared goals and achieve alignment of efforts.

Finally I have a strong technical background in utility management including contract management, RFP development and implementation, and project execution.

5. Why do you want to serve on the Stevenson City Council? _____
As a newer member of this community, and recently retired, I'm looking for opportunities to contribute to the community.

I have skills that are a good match for the requirements of a city councilor and I think I can work effectively with all stakeholders to establish and accomplish the goals of the city and its residents.

I am an advocate of the importance for high functioning government services in support of maintaining a vibrant community.

One specific interest I have is advancing the city's role in support of low and moderate income residents of the city.

The challenges that the city of Stevenson faces are substantial considering the limited resources to meet those challenges. While the city needs to meet its localized needs (infrastructure) the solution to larger challenges like housing, education, economy require a much higher degree of regional coordination which I would advocate for.

6. Specify any activities that might create a conflict of interest if you should be appointed to the City Council. _____

I am not aware of any conflicts of interest that might impact my service. Much of my work experience has been primarily in Oregon so it is unlikely that would represent any issues.

- 7. Briefly explain what you believe are the most important issues facing the Stevenson community at this time and the role the City Council can play in addressing each issue.

I think city infrastructure (particularly sewer and water) are front and center in the short run. Both of these services are essential for the city's operation and are currently impacting both the residents and businesses costs as well as concerns of sustainability. These issues have also contributed to division in the community which creates challenges for equitable solutions to be crafted for the community.

Turnover both in city staff and council members is also a key challenge facing the city. Setting aside the debate about the causes of that turnover this issue has impacted trust and credibility of both city services and staff and council actions. The goal should be staff that are empowered and appreciated and council members that are committed and constructive.

Finally large issues like economic development, housing, business development, education, and community support services need to be addressed through coordination with all relevant gorse organizations. Stevenson is simply too small to have an impact on these large issues and to be effective the city must find solutions through a regional approach.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that

the information provide herein is true and correct.



Signature

4.15.26

Date

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Stevenson WA _____ Zip Code 98648 _____

Cellular/Home Telephone Number _____

Work Address _____

_____ Zip Code _____

Work Telephone Number _____

Email address. _____