

# Application for City Council Appointment

*This application is for Council appointment, not for Elections.*

*If you would like to run for office during a General Election, please contact the City Elections Official at (503)366-8217.*

## PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Applicant Name: Jay Echternach

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip: St. Helens 97051

Phone: 503-780-9879 ☒ Mobile ☐ Home

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip: St. Helens 97051

How long have you resided in the city limits of St. Helens? 2 Years        Months

*Applicants must have resided inside the city limits of St. Helens for at least 12 months prior to appointment, per Charter<sup>1</sup>.*

Are you a Qualified Elector as defined in the Oregon Constitution?? (see page 2) ☒ Yes ☐ No

### Civic Activities (offices held, honors, etc.):

Gresham Barlow School district budget and curriculum  
Gresham Barlow Education education foundation board member  
20+ year High School baseball coach- Barlow, Sisters, David Douglas  
8 year High School umpire

### List names, addresses, and phone numbers of three references not related to you:

Barry Cook- 37621 s.e. Bear creek lane, Boring Oregon 97009, 503-668-5531  
Bob Bailey- 967 sw Mitchell ave, Troutdale Oregon 97060 , 503-348-8083  
George Mikesell- 375 Metlako way, Columbia City Oregon 97018 503-369-1691

### Briefly summarize educational background:

Horseheads High School, Horseheads NY,  
State University of NY at Buffalo, BS

Present Employer Name: Walkoff sales- self employed Phone: 503-780-9879

Present Employer Address: 434 s. 2nd street SH 97051

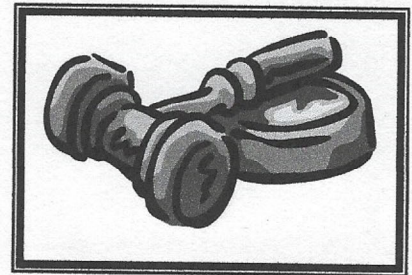
Title of Position Held: President

### Why do you want to be appointed to the City Council?

new member to the community and would like to participate and add value back to the community. My professional career includes success in growing my sales account base including 30+ years of sales into the largest retail and wholesalers in the US- Costco, Sears, Barnes and Noble, Amazon, Fred Meyer, Bi-Mart, Sam's and Wal-Mart. Professional negotiation and communication skills thru constant training and years of success.

### What do you hope to accomplish during your time on the City Council?

Help create and manage growth of the city with new development opportunities, facilitate professional Fire and Police departments, realize financial stability and growth within the boundries of current budgets, seek creative funding for specific projects thru private and grant funding opportunities.





**Additional information you would like us to consider:**

I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old and have a very successful professional sales career of over 40 years. I have also participated in countless city and school district roles. I am a great listener and master communicator that lends itself well toward group functions, problem solving and negotiated results that benefit all parties.

**I hereby certify that I am a "qualified elector" as defined in Article II of the Oregon Constitution<sup>2</sup> and I have resided inside the city limits of St. Helens for at least 12 months prior to an appointment<sup>1</sup>. I further certify that this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.**

**Signature**

**Date:**

8-23-23

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT:** Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. *Completed applications must be received by this deadline; postmarks will not be accepted. If sending by email, applicant is responsible to make sure their application was received by the deadline.*

**Please return by mail or drop-off to:** City of St. Helens  
Attn: Kathy Payne  
265 Strand Street  
St. Helens, OR 97051

**Or by email to:** [kpayne@sthelensoregon.gov](mailto:kpayne@sthelensoregon.gov)

**PROCESS:** The City Council will interview all applicants at a Special Session on Thursday, September 14, 2023, beginning at 5:15 p.m. via Zoom. Please mark your calendars. The agenda with the Zoom link will be posted by 5:00 p.m. on September 11, 2023.

If you have any questions, please contact City Recorder Kathy Payne at (503) 366-8217.

**<sup>1</sup> St. Helens Charter  
Chapter VI Elections  
Section 27. Qualifications.**

- (a) The mayor and each councilor must be a qualified elector under state law, and reside within the city for at least one year immediately before election or appointment to office.
- (b) No person may be a candidate at a single election for more than one city office.
- (c) Neither the mayor nor a councilor may be employed by the city.
- (d) The council is the final judge of election and qualifications of its members.

**<sup>2</sup> Oregon Constitution, Article II**

**Section 2. Qualifications of electors.**

- (1) Every citizen of the United States is entitled to vote in all elections not otherwise provided for by this Constitution if such citizen:
  - (a) Is 18 years of age or older;
  - (b) Has resided in this state during the six months immediately preceding the election, except that provision may be made by law to permit a person who has resided in this state less than 30 days immediately preceding the election, but who is otherwise qualified under this subsection, to vote in the election for candidates for nomination or election for President or Vice President of the United States or elector of President and Vice President of the United States; and
  - (c) Is registered not less than 20 calendar days immediately preceding any election in the manner provided by law.
- (2) Provision may be made by law to require that persons who vote upon questions of levying special taxes or issuing public bonds shall be taxpayers.