

City of St. Helens

Recognized News Media Representative Application

Pursuant to the City of St. Helens' Executive Session News Media Attendance Policy, those claiming to be representatives of the news media are requested to complete this form. Please provide the requested information below, complete and sign the certification section, and submit the completed form to the City Recorder in advance by: (1) personal delivery to the City Recorder; (2) sending the completed form via e-mail to CR@sthelensoregon.gov; or (3) delivering a completed copy to City Hall located at 265 Strand Street, St. Helens, OR 97051.

NOTE: If the City is unable to verify this information prior to the start of an executive session, your attendance at the executive session may be denied or the executive session may be postponed.

Maxine Bernstein

The Oregonian/OregonLive

Print Name

Name of News Media Organization Represented

CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATION:

I, Maxine Bernstein, certify the following to be true and accurate:

I represent the following:

- A daily newspaper, non-daily, or small-market newspaper/publication, or publication that is released as a digital or multiplatform product.
- A newspaper or publication that the City uses for publication of public notices and meets the requirements of ORS 193.020.
- A news media organization that is organized and operated to regularly and continuously publish, broadcast, transmit via the internet, or otherwise disseminate news to the public, and that regularly reports on activities of the City or matters of the nature under consideration by the City Council.

The news media organization that I represent is committed to complying with the requirement that confidential executive session information be undisclosed.

I have provided the following credentials sufficient to allow the City to determine that I am a representative of the above identified news media organization: (select all that apply)

- A press badge or identification issued by the news media organization, plus proof of my identity;
- X A copy of a recently published news article showing my name as a member of the news gathering staff of the news media organization, plus proof of my identity;
- A letter on letterhead from an editor of the news media organization that states that I am covering the meeting for the news media organization, plus proof of my identity; or

The following evidence sufficient to show that I am a representative of the above identified news media organization: _____

As a representative of the news media, I agree to comply with ORS 192.660(4).



Signature

02/05/2025

Date Signed

From: [Maxine Bernstein](#)
To: [Kathy Payne](#)
Cc: [John Walsh](#); [Crystal King](#)
Subject: Re: [External] Today's council exec session
Date: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 2:53:05 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[OregonianMaxineBernsteinnoticeES News Media Attendance Application 022124.pdf](#)

w/ info on employment w/ Oregonian:
<https://www.oregonlive.com/user/mabernst/posts.html>

Thank you,
Maxine



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From: Kathy Payne <kpayne@sthelensoregon.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 2:31 PM
To: Maxine Bernstein <mbernstein@oregonian.com>
Cc: John Walsh <jwalsh@sthelensoregon.gov>; Crystal King <cking@sthelensoregon.gov>
Subject: RE: Today's council exec session

Hello Maxine,

The City of St. Helens has a policy for news media attendance at City Council Executive Sessions. The policy is currently in the process of being updated/revised. As a matter of fact, a draft policy is on today's

Work Session agenda and the application will likely change as well. In the meantime, please complete the attached application and provide the necessary credential documentation.

Do you plan on attending in person?

Kathy

Kathy Payne, MMC
Human Resources Coordinator | City Recorder | Elections Official

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From: Crystal King <cking@sthelensoregon.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 1:37 PM

To: Maxine Bernstein <mbernstein@oregonian.com>; Kathy Payne <kpayne@sthelensoregon.gov>

Cc: John Walsh <jwalsh@sthelensoregon.gov>

Subject: FW: Today's council exec session

Importance: High

Hi Maxine,

I'm including our City Recorder Kathy Payne here about media attending executive sessions so that she can provide you with further information.

Thanks,

Crystal King

Communications Officer

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From: Maxine Bernstein <mbernstein@oregonian.com>

Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 1:31 PM

To: Crystal King <cking@sthelensoregon.gov>

Subject: [External] Today's council exec session

Hi Crystal -

I don't know if I need to alert you ahead of time, but as a reporter for The Oregonian, I'm planning to attend today's St. Helens City Council exec session scheduled after the 3 pm. work session.

Thank you,
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