

# 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](mailto: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.

Tamara Maygra

Odd Friday Talk Radio, St Helens Update

**Print Name**

**Name of News Media Organization Represented**

### CERTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATION:

I, Tamara Maygra, 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;
- 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: I have been doing a weekly publication on the St Helens update since the 1990's sthelensupdate.com Odd friday radio shows can be relistened to at cleancolumbiacounty.info I was the reasearch de

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

Tamara K. Maygra  
Signature

Dec. 13th, 2024  
Date Signed

From 1/8/25 Email:

Kathy, city council, Mayor and all others,

I am an **independent contractor with KOHI**, and require no letter head. As you well know along with Columbia County listeners, city, county, local heads of departments that we report the news local, national, international, weekly on our radio show **Odd Friday**. The show has been airing for 10 years, every week, every Friday live at 9a.m. to 10 a.m.

I have been a co-host for approximately 5 years, prior to that I was the head research person for the show, and still do a lot of our research, I stepped up when one host decided to leave. Odd And can be heard re-broadcasted at KOHI by the following Monday. Check KOHI's website for the times as it varies by direction of the stationers owner.

We have had shows representing people running for all elected positions throughout the county and state offices, including and not limited to city council, and mayor. These people came on to the show to further enhance their prospects of winning their position. Or to inform the voters on ballot measures or other issues facing the area. Many contacting us to be on our show. Aka that is what media does. Make information available to the citizens.

Their participation in the radio which is broadcasted locally by KOHI radio at 1600 a.m. or by tunein.com throughout the county, state and country, clearly demonstrates these people who will make the decision of recognizing me as a person of the press considered Odd Friday as an important mechanism of reaching out to people with their thoughts on issues. And helped them reach voters. And helped them gain their seats through our broadcasts. That is what news media and reporters do, REPORT and give the citizens a clear understanding on what their government and communities are doing.

I have written articles for the **sthelensupdate.com** as I have explained on the application since the 1990's most generally every week. And have a following of readers. Again an independent reporter. Reporting on issues important to the citizens of Columbia County, the state, the country. You can view all of my **Tammy's Take at sthelensupdate.com there are 851 of them**. In order to save time, money, resources in printing out thousands of pages of articles, you can view them easily. On the Updates homepage are the newest ones, scroll down the page to find the older ones. Enjoy!

There is nothing more necessary to provide the city with, to be considered a news source. The elected officials of the county, state and city who they themselves used Odd Friday as a means to reach citizens, communicate with citizens, explain levy's, ballot measures, and other important issues, have already demonstrated by using Odd Friday as a tool to inform the citizens, they themselves have confirmed and validated Odd Friday as an important media outlet.

I look forward in participating in Executive Session's.

**What is media?**

**the main means of mass communication (broadcasting, publishing, and the internet) regarded collectively. The means of communication, as radio and television, newspapers, magazines, and the internet, that reach or influence people widely. I have fulfilled this requirement.**

**ORS 44.510**

**Definitions for ORS 44.510 to 44.540**

**As used in ORS 44.510 (Definitions for ORS 44.510 to 44.540) to 44.540 (Effect of informant as witness), unless the context requires otherwise:**

**(1)**

**“Information” has its ordinary meaning and includes, but is not limited to, any written, oral, pictorial or electronically recorded news or other data.**

**(2)**

**“Medium of communication” has its ordinary meaning and includes, but is not limited to, any newspaper, magazine or other periodical, book, pamphlet, news service, wire service, news or feature syndicate, broadcast station or network, or cable television system. Any information which is a portion of a governmental utterance made by an official or employee of government within the scope of the official’s or employee’s governmental function, or any political publication subject to ORS 260.532 (False publication relating to candidate or measure), is not included within the meaning of “medium of communication.”**

**(3)**

**“Processing” has its ordinary meaning and includes, but is not limited to, the compiling, storing and editing of information.**

**(4)**

**“Published information” means any information disseminated to the public.**

**(5)**

**“Unpublished information” means any information not disseminated to the public, whether or not related information has been disseminated. “Unpublished information” includes, but is not limited to, all notes, outtakes, photographs, tapes or other data of whatever sort not themselves disseminated to the public through a medium of communication, whether or not published information based upon or related to such material has been disseminated. [1973 c.22 §2; 1979 c.190 §398; 2001 c.965 §18; 2005 c.797 §50]**

Regards,

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