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Are you a registered Voter in the State of Oregon? Yes
Present Occupation: Sales Business Manager
Please list five (5) Wilsonville residents who support you for this appointment, along with their contact information and their relationship to you.
1. Leigh Crosby, Executive Director at Wilsonville Community Sharing/Food Bank | 503.984.3503 | leigh@wilsonvillecommunitysharing.org | 27375 SW Marigold-Terrace

I started volunteering at Wilsonville Community Sharing in January 2025. Leigh is an absolute joy to work with.

2. Mike Tatlock, Lead Pastor of Grace Chapel | 503.570.2988 | tatlock@gracechapelonline.org | 29030 SW Villebois Dr. S

Mike and I met in 2014. I produced a parenting conference that took place at Grace Chapel during my time at Solid Rock. In 2019 I attended Grace Chapel before switching to Athey Creek. Most recently, Mike and I worked together on a vigil in remembrance of Charlie Kirk that took place in Town Center Park.

3. Jennie Hill, Owner of J. Hill Property Group | 503.708.1409 | jennie@jhilpropertygroup.com | 29545 SW Coffee Lake Dr.

Jennie and I know each other due to the many various community events her company sponsors in Villebois. Jennie is beloved by many and a faithful staple in our neighborhood as is her entire team.

4. Neil Cernitz, Treasurer of Royal Crescent at Villebois Homeowners Association |

503.756.8033 | ncernitz@hotmail.com | 11749 SW Valencia Ln.

Neil and I have been neighbors since 2020. Last year, I recruited him to join our HOA board as our Treasurer. I couldn't be more grateful to serve alongside him as we brainstorm ways of improving quality of life within our neighborhood.

5. Julie Desmond, Program Assistant – Marketing at Oregon Institute of Technology (Wilsonville campus) | 575.420.2201 | julie.desmond@oit.edu | 28593 SW Ash Meadows Blvd. #18

I've known and have been playing volleyball with Julie since 2016. Since 2020 we've been attending the same church, Athey Creek. Julie has grown to become one of my dearest friends.

6. John Meyers, retiree residing in Charbonneau | 503.866.2200 | johndianemeyers@gmail.com | 7809 SW Village Greens Circle

John and I met in 2010 as he volunteered at the church where I was employed, Solid Rock. John has always championed whatever endeavor I embark upon – having his faithful support has always been a blessing.

7. Tom Hyde, Nurse at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility | 971.338.3507 | hyde971@gmail.com | 11655 SW Collina Ln.

I met Tom when I was elected President of the Royal Crescent at Villebois Homeowners Association in 2021. Tom was the sitting Secretary. Shortly after I joined the board, the Treasurer moved out of our HOA. Tom faith-fully served with me until I recruited Neil to join the two of us in 2024.

What in your background, (educational, professional, volunteer) do you feel is most relevant to a City Council position?

Over the past 24 years, I've held leadership roles in nonprofits and athletics, including small group leader, facilitator, coach, and director. These experiences have shaped my ability to lead with empathy, strategy, and collaboration.

My bachelor's degree in communications sharpened my ability to apply the ABCs of communication—accuracy, brevity, and clarity—which are essential in public service.

Professionally, I work for a video surveillance technology company that frequently partners with government entities. This gives me insight into public sector priorities, particularly public safety and operational efficiency.

As a volunteer with Wilsonville Community Sharing/Food Bank, I stay closely connected to the needs of our community. I'm committed to shaping policies that uplift and protect vulnerable populations.

My role as Chairman of the Board for the Royal Crescent at Villebois HOA has given me firsthand experience in governance, compliance, and community standards.

I also serve as a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for Clackamas County, advocating for children in state care. This role has deepened my understanding of the legal system and the importance of prioritizing the needs of vulnerable youth.

Finally, I was appointed to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board in May 2025 and recently completed the state's Public Meeting Laws training, further preparing me for Council responsibilities.

Please describe the ways in which you would best serve the citizens of Wilsonville through public service on the City Council?

I care deeply about the peace, welfare, and prosperity of Wilsonville. I value responsible stewardship of finances, resources, and people's time and property.

I'm passionate about walkability and outdoor access, which I believe are essential to physical and mental well-being. Safe, accessible public spaces help combat isolation and support community health.

My volunteer work at Wilsonville Community Sharing has given me a nuanced understanding of our city's socio-economic diversity. I've lived near mental health homes in Villebois and have built meaningful relationships with individuals from varied backgrounds. I also recognize the role Coffee Creek plays in our community, with neighbors who work there and contribute to our city's fabric.

If appointed, I would champion initiatives that unite our diverse population—building coalitions that prioritize collaboration over division.

What do you consider most important for Council to accomplish in the next two years, and how would you go about making those priorities happen?

I'm ready to support the Council's 2025–2027 Public Safety goal, including evaluating the rental inspection program. I admire Councilor Dunwell's advocacy for families in substandard housing and will continue her efforts by reviewing the program's scope and potential. My HOA leadership experience gives me insight into rental oversight and livability standards.

Mental health remains a top priority. I'm encouraged by the city's investment in a full-time resource and look forward to supporting partnerships with Clackamas County, especially as they develop a new mental health facility. I would work to ensure Wilsonville has access to these services.

I share our mayor's concern about the Boone Bridge's seismic vulnerability and would actively lobby national contacts to accelerate progress on this critical infrastructure.

With unfunded mandates from Salem, I support the Council's Financial Health goal and will contribute ideas for cost-saving measures and alternative revenue streams.

Lastly, Town Center development remains a key opportunity. I believe a community-supported plan can enhance business friendliness and create a vibrant hub for residents.

Explain what you believe makes Wilsonville special or unique in a positive way, and how you would propose to preserve, protect, and enhance those qualities.

Wilsonville's identity as the City of Trees is a source of pride, and I would work to preserve and promote this legacy. Our location along the Willamette River is a unique asset, and I'd recommend cost-effective ways to enhance public access, especially at Boones Ferry Park. Parks & Recreation has included this in their master plan, and I believe it should be prioritized.

Resume Upload (optional):

Other Supporting Document (optional):

Electronic signature agreement. By selecting the "I Accept" button, you are signing this agreement electronically. You agree your electronic signature is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Agreement. By selecting "I Accept" you consent to be legally bound by this Agreement's terms and conditions. You further agree that your use of a key pad, mouse or other device to select an item, button, icon or similar act/action, or in accessing or making any transaction regarding any agreement, acknowledgement, consent terms, disclosures or conditions constitutes your signature (hereafter referred to as "E-Signature"), acceptance and agreement as if actually signed by you in writing. You also agree that no certification authority or other third party verification is necessary to validate your E-Signature and that the lack of such certification or third party verification will not in any way affect the enforceability of your E-Signature. You also represent that you are authorized to enter into this Agreement for all persons who own or are authorized to access any of your accounts and that such persons will be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

Signature: Kristi Corno

I Accept: Yes

Date Signed: Wed, 10/08/2025 - 9:07pm

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.wilsonvilleoregon.gov/node/130393/submission/67020>



**Mayor's Supplemental Questionnaire
City Council Vacancy Appointment Process 2025
Required Prior to Meeting with the Mayor**

Applicant Name: [Kristi Corno](#)

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Wilsonville City Council. Prior to your scheduled meeting with the Mayor, please email the completed questionnaire—including the date and your signature—to the City Recorder Kim Veliz (veliz@wilsonvilleoregon.gov) and Mayor O'Neil (oneil@wilsonvilleoregon.gov).

Your responses will help focus the conversation on your experience, perspective, and understanding of the responsibilities of this role. Please answer each question truthfully and thoughtfully. Your completed questionnaire will be shared with other Council members as part of the appointment process, and will be subject to public disclosure under Oregon Public Records Laws. If you need additional space to respond to any questions, you may attach extra pages.

To comply with Oregon Government Ethics and public meeting laws, applicants **may not discuss, seek assistance from, share their responses with, or distribute this questionnaire** to any current members of the Wilsonville City Council, other than the Mayor as part of this process.

Sharing questionnaire responses with Council members or seeking their input would likely constitute a prohibited communication and could disqualify the applicant from further consideration.

This completed and signed questionnaire must be submitted by 9:00 p.m. on the evening before your scheduled meeting with the Mayor.

Timely submission is essential to allow for adequate review and preparation. If the completed and signed questionnaire is not received by the deadline, the meeting will be canceled and the Mayor will be unable to consider the application further as part of the appointment process.

Mayor's Supplemental Questions

1. Describe your past involvement with the City of Wilsonville or other community organizations. Please include any service on City boards or commissions, task forces, nonprofit boards, or other civic leadership roles. Describe in detail how this experience has prepared you for service on City Council.

[Over the past 24-years, my leadership roles in nonprofits and athletics have strengthened my ability to bring people together around shared goals. These experiences taught me how to lead with empathy, think strategically, and foster collaboration among diverse groups - skills that are](#)

essential in representing residents, balancing differing perspectives, and guiding city priorities.

My bachelor's degree in communications equipped me with the foundational "ABCs" of communication: accuracy, brevity, and clarity. These principles are invaluable in public service, where listening carefully, articulating ideas clearly, and ensuring transparency are vital to building public trust and making informed decisions.

Professionally, I work for a video surveillance technology company that partners regularly with government entities. This experience provides me with practical insight into how the public sector operates—particularly in the areas of public safety, infrastructure, and operational efficiency. I understand the importance of balancing innovation with accountability, and of using technology to enhance community well-being while maintaining privacy and fiscal responsibility.

As a volunteer with Wilsonville Community Sharing/Food Bank, I remain closely connected to the real, day-to-day needs of residents. This hands-on experience reinforces my commitment to shaping policies that uplift vulnerable populations and ensure equitable access to essential services.

Serving as Chairman of the Board for the Royal Crescent at Villebois Homeowners Association has given me direct experience in governance, compliance, and community standards. I've learned how to manage budgets responsibly, interpret regulations, and navigate differing viewpoints to reach fair, sustainable outcomes—skills directly transferable to City Council decision-making.

Finally, my work as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for Clackamas County has given me a profound understanding of the legal system and the challenges faced by children in state care. This role has strengthened my ability to advocate effectively, remain objective under pressure, and prioritize the needs of those who often have no voice in the system.

Together, these experiences have prepared me to serve on the City Council with empathy, integrity, and a practical understanding of both governance and community needs. I bring a balanced perspective that blends professional insight, volunteer service, and lived experience—qualities that will help me represent our city thoughtfully and effectively.

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2. Have you ever previously applied for appointment to, or run for, elected office in Wilsonville? If so, please describe the position, the year, and what you learned from that experience.

No

3. Serving on City Council involves a significant time commitment and responsibility. Please explain how you plan to manage the workload, your willingness to serve through the remainder of this term, and whether you intend to run for the position in the November 2026 election.

I currently balance a full-time job and roughly 25+ volunteer hours a month. I would replace some current volunteer roles with City Council responsibilities. I plan on running for reelection next year.

4. The City Council adopted its 2025-27 Council Goals earlier this year. Please discuss your understanding of the Goals, your understanding of the role the Goals play in the Council's work, and any particular priorities you have toward accomplishing the Council goals.

I addressed this in my initial application, but I've included it here for readership ease.

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5. What motivates you to seek this appointment at this particular time? How do you see your role in advancing the City's adopted goals?

I want to see Wilsonville be a beacon of light across Oregon. A city known for the Wilsonville Way - a place where diverse people with diverse opinions live in harmony with one another - able to discuss, agree to disagree, commit and move forward towards a better future.

6. How do you approach forming positions on complex policy issues? Describe how you balance your own views with input from staff, community members, and fellow Councilors.

When approaching complex policy issues, I start by seeking to understand the full picture before forming a position. I believe good policy begins with good listening—listening to staff who bring technical expertise, to community members who are directly affected, and to fellow Councilors who offer diverse perspectives. My goal is always to make decisions that serve the long-term interests of the community as a whole, not just a single viewpoint.

I approach each issue with curiosity and humility, asking questions to clarify assumptions and uncover unintended consequences. Balancing my own views with input from others means being guided by values rather than ego. While holding onto my personal beliefs, I allow evidence and dialogue to shape my decision-making. I believe leadership requires the courage to take a position once the facts and feedback have been considered.

Ultimately, I aim to build consensus whenever possible, while remaining transparent about the reasoning behind my decisions. My experience in collaborative leadership—whether as a board chair, coach, leader, or volunteer—has taught me that people may not always agree with every outcome, but they respect a process that is fair, thoughtful, and inclusive.

7. Share an example of a time when you had to support a policy decision you did not personally agree with. How did you handle it?

In leadership, there are times when consensus requires setting aside personal preferences for the good of the group. A couple examples come from my present time as Chairman of the Board for our HOA. Our governing documents state two policies that the board has decided to not enforce. They are 1.) Homeowners are required to park in their garages and 2.) Garages are not to remain open. Personally, I place a high value on rule following, peace, and neighborhood aesthetics and felt we should enforce the rules to free up parking on the city streets and shield our neighbors from each other's clutter. However, after living here and getting to know the community, I discovered cultivating neighborly relationships via back ally BBQs, children running in and out of the units via the garage, and allowing families the freedom to use their garage as they see fit, I learned I could let go of my rule-following tendency for the sake of relationships and community building.

Although I still don't agree with this non-enforcement, I support the board's decision because it reflects the will of the community. This experience continually reminds me that leadership isn't about always getting your way—it's about listening, weighing evidence, respecting the process, and upholding decisions made in the community's best interest.

8. Wilsonville is home to residents from diverse neighborhoods, backgrounds, ages, and experiences. A core value of our community is fostering a sense of belonging—making sure everyone feels valued, welcomed, and heard.

a. Describe what “belonging” means to you in the context of Wilsonville. Share any relevant personal or professional experiences that have shaped your perspective on building an inclusive community.

To me, “belonging” in Wilsonville means that every resident feels seen, valued, and connected—that this city isn't just a place where people live, but a community where they are welcomed, included, and have a voice in shaping its future. Belonging goes beyond inclusion; it's about creating spaces where people of all ages, backgrounds, and circumstances can contribute

and feel that their presence truly matters.

My perspective on building an inclusive community has been shaped through years of service and leadership. As a volunteer with Wilsonville Community Sharing/Food Bank, I've seen how small acts of support can make a big difference for families facing hardship. Serving as a CASA has deepened my understanding of what it means to advocate for those who often go unheard, especially vulnerable children. And in my role as HOA Board Chair, I've learned how thoughtful policy and open dialogue can foster connection, fairness, and shared responsibility.

These experiences have reinforced my belief that belonging is built through listening, empathy, and action—ensuring that every resident feels they are part of the story we're writing together as a community.

b. How will you support and foster the City's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programming if appointed to Council?

Unlike the Mayor, DEI is not my North Star. However, Wilsonville is a diverse community and despite our differences we should always strive towards inclusivity. The equity I'd champion is where everyone, no matter their background, is held to the same laws, standards, and rules within a civil society. There shouldn't be any prejudice of any kind. I want to see Wilsonville become a place where people of all backgrounds can learn to live in harmony with one another, experience joy together, and feel safe.

c. How will you support and foster Arts, Culture, and Heritage Commission initiatives, if appointed to Council?

Fostering Arts, Culture, and Heritage Commission initiatives comes second to the core mission of local government. I admire the role the arts have played throughout history, but I see the community playing a larger role in fostering these initiatives and would champion much community engagement to meet local government's objectives.

9. In your view, what role should City Council play in ensuring that all voices are included and considered in decision-making?

In my view, the City Council has a central role in ensuring that all voices are included and considered in decision-making. Representation is the foundation of good governance, and that means actively creating opportunities for all residents—especially those who may not traditionally engage in public processes—to be heard.

As a Councilor, I believe in meeting people where they are: through community listening sessions, partnerships with local organizations, accessible public meetings, and clear, transparent communication. Inclusion isn't just about hearing input; it's about making sure that feedback meaningfully informs policy.

The Council also has a responsibility to model respectful dialogue and collaboration, ensuring that every viewpoint is considered with fairness and empathy. This requires listening not only to the loudest voices, but also to those who may feel overlooked.

Ultimately, the goal is to make decisions that reflect the community's diverse needs and values. By fostering trust, encouraging participation, and ensuring transparency in our processes, City Council can strengthen both the quality of our decisions and the community's confidence in them.

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10. Briefly describe your familiarity with Oregon's government ethics laws, including financial disclosure requirements.

Oregon's government ethics laws are designed to promote transparency, fairness, and public trust in government. They're primarily outlined in Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapter 244 and administered by the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGEC).

Conflict of Interest – Public officials must avoid participating in decisions that could financially benefit themselves, their relatives, or associated businesses. They are required to declare actual or potential conflicts of interest on the record before taking action.

Use of Office – Officials may not use their position for personal gain or to benefit others inappropriately. This includes using public resources, influence, or confidential information for private advantage.

Gifts and Favors – There are strict limits on gifts that public officials can receive from

individuals or entities with a legislative or administrative interest in their decisions. Generally, the limit is \$50 per year, per source.

Confidential Information – Officials cannot disclose or use confidential information gained through their official position for personal benefit.

Nepotism and Employment – The law restricts public officials from hiring, supervising, or influencing employment decisions involving relatives.

Financial Disclosure – Certain public officials must file annual statements of economic interest (SEI) to disclose income sources, business relationships, and other financial ties that could present conflicts.

Enforcement – The Oregon Government Ethics Commission investigates complaints, issues advisory opinions, and can impose civil penalties for violations.

11. How would you handle a situation where your personal views differ from adopted Council goals or legal obligations?

If my personal views differed from adopted Council goals or legal obligations, I would approach the situation with respect for the role and the process. As a Councilor, my primary duty is to serve the public interest and uphold the laws and policies that govern our city—even when they don't fully align with my personal opinions.

In that situation, I would first take time to understand the rationale behind the Council's goals or the legal framework in question. I'd seek input from staff, legal counsel, and community members to ensure I have a clear and accurate understanding of both the intent and the implications.

If my personal view still differed, I would remain professional and transparent about my reasoning, while honoring the collective decision of the Council once it's made. I believe it's possible to express dissent respectfully without disrupting unity or progress. My focus would be on constructive dialogue, finding common ground, and ensuring that my actions always reflect integrity, accountability, and respect for our constitutional republic and democratic processes.

12. You may use this space to provide any other information you would like the Mayor to consider.

Given the inevitable budget shortfalls heading Wilsonville's direction, the local government should scale back on non-core mission initiatives. A tight focus on the Council's four 2025-2027 goals are in order. I've noticed the community pairing back on initiating community events. If the local government scaled back on planning events, I believe community members would step up and fill in the gaps!

Finally, Oregon is ranked 48th in business friendliness. Wilsonville plays a role in contributing to this poor ranking. I'd advocate for policies that reflect that Wilsonville is open for business!

Declaration and Signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Oregon that the information I have provided in this questionnaire is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Kristi Corno Date: 10/13/2025



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the City Council appointment process. I understand that you have already received a questionnaire from the Office of the Mayor. I would like to solicit your response to a few more questions. I appreciate you taking the time to thoughtfully answer the following questions.

Please provide your response to the Wilsonville City Recorder, Kim Veliz, at veliz@wilsonvilleoregon.gov and me at cunningham@wilsonvilleoregon.gov by Wednesday, October 15th at 9:00 pm so that the responses can be included in the City Council agenda packet for the October 20th meeting.

I appreciate your time completing this additional questionnaire and apologize for the extra “homework” but I think these questions ensure that important aspects of each candidate are addressed. I am open to meetings with each applicant and will try to be as flexible as possible in scheduling those. I prefer in-person meetings but can make remote meetings over the phone or Zoom work if necessary. If you would like, feel free to email me at the above listed email address to schedule a time to meet.

Thanks,
Adam Cunningham
Wilsonville City Councilor

Questions from Councilor Cunningham

Applicant's name: [Kristi Corno](#)

1. What criteria would you use in your decision-making process as a member of the City Council?

[I would weigh my opinion against our City Council mission statement, community impact and input, fiscal responsibility, and alignment to Council 2025-2027 goals.](#)

2. Given the City Manager's comments in the FY 2025-2026 Budget introduction, how would you work to make the general fund more resilient?

[It was prudent of our City Manager to highlight that projected expenses are outpacing revenues, which will steadily deplete our general funds. When Council adopted its 2025–2027 goals, I was encouraged to see Financial Health prioritized. However, six months in, I've yet to see meaningful action toward identifying efficiencies.](#)

[While our City Manager has presented valuable ideas, I do not support raising taxes. Instead, I advocate for reducing non-essential programs, optimizing operations, adjusting service levels, and exploring alternative revenue sources.](#)

[One example is the city's increasing role as an events agency. When the city hosts and funds numerous events we're using valuable taxpayer dollars for non-core services. I believe this also discourages grassroots community engagement, where residents may feel less compelled to organize their own. I would advocate for scaling back on city-sponsored events and redirecting those resources toward core services and strategic priorities.](#)

3. The city will receive a \$6.45 million lease payment in FYE 2027. If you could spend that money on anything, what would it be and why?

[My first instinct would be to strengthen our rainy-day reserve because of the projected depletion of the general budget mentioned above. However, I suppose this could be an opportunity to engage the community in the process by way of a town hall meeting.](#)