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APPLICATION FOR CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

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INTERESTS / SKILLS / ABILITIES

List your skills, abilities, related volunteer community service and relevant interest to the office you are seeking.

B.A. Humanities & Cooperative Business Management, New College of California. Career in Finance in both non-profits and for profit companies. Managed several credit unions, worked as Controller/Finance Director/Chief Operating Officer of several start up tech companies. Started and managed a thrift shop to help children with HIV/AIDS. Controller of the Museum of History & Industry, Seattle, WA.

Graduate of the DHS Citizens Police Academy, 2009

Served on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the City of Hayward, CA 1999-2001 including acting as Vice-Chairman.

QUESTIONNAIRE

To assess the expectations you have about serving on the City Council, and to understand the expectations other people will have of you as a council member, please respond to each of the following questions. If additional space is needed, please use a separate sheet of paper. If desired, a resume may accompany your application.

1. Why do you want to be appointed to the Desert Hot Springs City Council?

I enjoy public service and would like to be more actively involved in making our city a better place to live and visit. I have a great deal of experience working with teams ranging from Boards of Directors, Committees, small businesses, cooperatives and volunteer groups. I have a wide range of interests from the arts to politics to the economy. I appreciate learning from other people as well as making a contribution to the subject at hand. I am familiar with financial reports, budgeting and grants.

2. How will your education, training, experience and history of community involvement make you a suitable candidate to serve as a member of the City Council?

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3. In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing the City of Desert Hot Springs?

Public Safety continues to be significant issue affecting both residents and tourists. I know we have made a great deal of progress but there is still much to do. I know in my neighborhood there are still burglaries, mailbox tampering, animal control problems and sometimes shootings. Although revenue from marijuana operations seem to have improved our financial condition I think we probably need to increase sales tax revenue from by expanding business in a prudent and aesthetic manner for retail activity.

We need more entertainment options such as a movie theater or concert venue in my opinion too.

I don't have the answer but I know we need to work to find a solution to the growing traffic snarls we have due to frequent road closures on Palm/Gene Autry and Indian Canyon.

4. What vision do you have for the future of the City of Desert Hot Springs?

A city that serves the needs of all socio economic groups so that we have affordable housing as well as middle and upper income housing to create a diverse and multi cultural city that is both a happy place to live and a safe place to visit for tourists who appreciate our spas and local activities.

I would like to see more attractions such as a small art museum or folk art museum that would benefit our local artists and visitors. A movie theater would sure be great too. Perhaps a small auditorium or venue for performing artists so that residents don't have to travel to the casinos for good live entertainment.

I also believe we need to increase our sales tax revenue in a way that honors small "mom and pop" shops as well as chain stores. I'd like to be able to do all my shopping here rather than having to drive over the freeway which results in lost revenue for our local community.

5. Use this space to provide any additional information or statements. Your comments will assist the City Council in giving your application the fullest consideration.

It is nice to see the improvements in our city over the recent years. Public art, a new city hall, the new recreational center and now the new library is good work. If we can continue that sort of progress Desert Hot Springs will certainly change the old perception of being someplace local valley residents don't want to go to becoming a world class destination. I'd like to thank the current City Council for their hard work in helping to make our city a better place to live.

CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION

I certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete. In compliance with State law, I understand that I will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interests upon appointment to office, and annually thereafter.

Applicant's Signature