

## Laurel Humphrey

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**To:** CityCouncil  
**Subject:** Seat seven application  
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Good afternoon,

Attached is the completed application for seat seven on the tukwila city council. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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### Application for Vacancy by Appointment Tukwila City Council Position #7

#### Applicant Information

Full Name	Mitchell Loren Forhan
Street Address	[REDACTED]
City, State, Zip	Tukwila, WA, 98178
Phone	[REDACTED]
E-Mail Address	[REDACTED]

#### Eligibility Requirements, Notification and Signature

I understand that Councilmembers for the City of Tukwila must be registered voters in King County, Washington and must have lived in the City of Tukwila for 12 consecutive months prior to being appointed to office.  
I understand that as an applicant for appointment to public office, the information provided on this application will be available to the public.

Signature	
Date	2/20/2025

#### Additional Information

Are you a registered voter in Tukwila, WA?	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Are you a resident of the City of Tukwila?	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

How long have you been a resident of the City of Tukwila? **Approx. 28 years**  
How long have you lived at your current address? **Approx. 28 years**  
*If you have lived at your current address for less than 12 months, please list your previous address.*  
Previous address and length of time at address.

Do you or any family member residing in your household, have a financial interest in, or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency which conducts business with the City of Tukwila?

YES  NO

If yes, please explain.

### Time Commitment

Appointment to the City Council will require your attendance at a number of regularly scheduled and special meetings, which occur at various times including evenings and weekends.

Councilmembers also serve on Council committees, regional boards and commissions, and represent the City Council at various community functions.

Council activities generally require a minimum time commitment of 10 to 15 hours per week. Are you able to commit this amount of time and can you commit to arrange your schedule to participate fully as a member of the Tukwila City Council?

YES

NO

Have you ever attended a Tukwila City Council meeting?

YES

NO

If yes, please estimate how many Council meetings you have attended in the past year.

### Supplemental Questions

*Please respond to the following questions regarding your interest in the position of appointed Councilmember for the City of Tukwila.*

Why are you interested in serving as a Tukwila City Councilmember?

I am interested in serving as a Tukwila city councilmember because I want to be more involved in my community in a much bigger way. I have had my main focus on acquiring a number of certifications, a degree and became more involved with my union these last couple years to the point that I was running their apprenticeship program and am now trained as a steward and I would like to start using those to serve my overall community.

Describe your background in community service, including any volunteer work you have done in or around Tukwila.

I have lived here my whole life so I've been doing community service since list is a little extensive. From helping plant trees, to helping the elderly neighbors around with handyman work. I serve Tukwila, I have attended both formal and informal community building services. One example I'm sure could be easily confirmed would be my time I spent as a volunteer baseball coach at Foster high school. However, this was a number this was a number of years ago.

What do you think are the most important issues facing Tukwila in the next 2-4 years?

The rhetoric and division perpetuated by misinformation and a economic upheaval. How the budgets, services and constituents of Tukwila will be affected and how to best serve the overall community while ensuring day to day operations and expectations are being upheld.

Describe your understanding of the importance of regional collaboration and partnership in city government.

Regional collaboration and partnership in city government has a number of reasons for its importance, that can range from things like; better resource and transportation efficiency, cooperation against cross border/ world incidents, mutual economic prosperity and overall community growth. To try and keep it short, just like no one person can move a mountain, no one city can handle a planet of problems.

Summarize your experiences working collaboratively with others from different backgrounds.

I was raised and take great pride in being from a highly diverse area. In this highly diverse area, I have attended school, worked construction, taught classes, ran an apprenticeship, been in sales and did retail. If I had to summarize the experience of all this and keep it short; It can be difficult depending on what a persons background might entail but that cant detract from the importance those different backgrounds and perspectives bring to any issue. So working collaboratively with others is important to not only respect a singular person but to ensure growth or progress to an issue at hand, is made.

Discuss your qualifications relevant to the position of Tukwila City Councilmember.

I can go into more detail if needed about the topics listed but to summarize:

2 years as a program coordinator  
5 years instructor at FTINW  
AA degree  
Safety and health teaching certifications  
Local 300 shop steward training  
28 year resident

Please provide any additional information or comments you believe will assist the City Council in considering your application.

I have working knowledge of Roberts rule of order, meeting minutes, professional conduct, and I am comfortable in public speaking!

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*Thank you for your interest in serving the Tukwila community as a member of the Tukwila City Council.*