

Laurel Humphrey

From: Apneet Sidhu [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, August 15, 2025 4:50 PM
To: CityCouncil
Cc: Laurel Humphrey
Subject: Application For City Council Position #6
Attachments: Tukwila Council Position #6.pdf

Dear City Council Members & Staff,

Please see attached my application for City Council Position #6. I appreciate all of your time and consideration.

I am always available on my phone at [REDACTED] or email, if any of you have questions.

Best,

Apneet Sidhu

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Respectfully Tukwila City Council and City Staff:

My name is Apneet Sidhu. I am a lifetime resident of Tukwila, WA for nearly 34 years. I am a licensed real estate agent in both residential and commercial real estate and have a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Washington. I am known for building long-term relationships, working to solve matters with positive solutions, maintaining the utmost ethical practices, work on efficiency and transparency, and providing highly informed decisions. As a lifetime resident of Tukwila, I bring local expertise and a service-oriented approach. My background gives me a strong understanding of government operations, accountability standards, and the importance of clear communication to directly support effective representation as a City Council member.

I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to serve this City in various ways. Moreover, I have spent countless hours volunteering with local non-profits and other organizations, including donating a significant amount of food and clothes to the refugee shelter in Tukwila by the church. I have been involved in many community events, such as the Sikh basketball tournament, talked with faculty at the Tukwila pool & Foster High School admin, and community leaders – leaders not only in Tukwila, but all throughout King County.

This City helped shape me who I am today. I believe I was the first resident of Tukwila to win the Sullivan Scholarship at Seattle University (merit-based scholarship, full-ride scholarship). I was so happy to help another student at Foster High School also receive the same scholarship a couple years later. I have experience working with the King County Prosecutor's office, interned at the Federal Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, a graduate of Institute for a Democratic Future, to much more. My goal, if given the opportunity to serve as a Council Member, is to help unify the Council and be an advocate for all residents, businesses, non-profits, and religious institutions. I vow to uphold that duty with ethical practices and be punctual and prepared for all Council meetings.

I appreciate each and all of your time and consideration. If given the opportunity to serve Tukwila – I promise I will work diligently and be prepared for all Council meetings. It will be an honor to serve.

Best,


Apneet



City of Tukwila

City Council

Application for Councilmember Pro Tem Tukwila City Council Position #6

Applicant Information

Full Name Apneet Singh Sidhu
Street Address [REDACTED]
City, State, Zip Tukwila, WA., 98168
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 Tukwila, 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 *Apneet Singh Sidhu*
Date 08/15/2025

Additional Information

Are you registered to vote in Tukwila, WA? YES ☒ NO ☐
Are you a resident of the City of Tukwila? YES ☒ NO ☐

How long have you been a resident of the City of Tukwila? 33 years

How long have you lived at your current address? 8 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?

As a lifetime resident of Tukwila, I have had the opportunity to speak with residents, businesses, non-profits, and religious institutions to hear their voice and concerns. My goal, if given the opportunity, to serve on City Council is to voice these concerns but also find solutions. The City also has a budget issue; with my background, I can be a strong voice in helping the city and council reach solutions to help solve the budget matter. I want to work with all council members to help move forward the City's agenda. I want to work with each council member and listen to the citizen's of this city. Tukwila has made immense progress but more needs to be done. I vow to each council member and staff but most importantly to all residents of this City to work diligently, be punctual at all council meetings, and be a people person. Tukwila has always been my home, and I would like to give back to my community. What better way, then serving on City Council.

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

I was a previous commissioner chair on the Tukwila Planning Commission. I have also partaken in many City Council meetings as a resident. I say this to demonstrate I know the decorum of Council procedures. I have volunteered at local non-profits, helped residents with various issues, and have always been an advocate for the residents and businesses of this City.

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

The most important issues I believe Tukwila faces in the next 2-4 years are, but not limited to:

Managing the City's budget deficit
Affordable/Middle Housing
Safety Enforcement
Homelessness

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

Regional collaboration and partnership is vital to have Tukwila succeed. Tukwila has made immense progress with collaboration and partnerships, just like the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority agreement. Tukwila is centrally located -- minutes away from Seattle, Bellevue, SeaTac Airport and more. Building trust and understanding with neighboring jurisdictions and institutions is crucial to help Tukwila take the next step forward to be more successful.

Summarize your experiences working collaboratively with others from different backgrounds.

I have worked in many instances working collaboratively with others. For example, during my time at the White House under the Obama administration, I was working with the liaison team for Asian American & Pacific Islanders, the progressive community, and the business outreach team. It was a great experience. I worked with many fortune 500 CEOs from the business outreach aspect (inviting them to the White House for meetings), to Asian American citizens wanting to voice their community concerns with the administration. This required working with administration staff, the POTUS & FLOTUS office, and secret service.

Recently, I have had the opportunity to work in real estate. As a real estate agent, I work with folks from various ethnic backgrounds and up-bringing. If I am either a listing or selling agent, I have to work with clients, escrow, home inspectors, lenders, and the King County recorder's office. I have been very successful as a real estate agent because I work with individuals tailored to their needs -- but most importantly help solve any issues that come up during a transaction closing.

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

I was a former Planning Commissioner for the City. I also have been a resident in this City for my entire life. I understand the needs and goals of residents, businesses, non-profits, religious institutions, but MOST importantly the goals of City Council. I have experience working in the federal government, King County Prosecutor's office, and local government. I will bring a vast array of experience, but someone who will work with everyone on council to help reach consensus.

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

Please see my cover letter.

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