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Attached is my letter of interest and application for the vacant city council position. I look forward to the opportunity to meet with you and discuss my qualifications for this position.

Sincerely,

Dean Ufford  
(206) 753-9711



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G. Dean Ufford



Tukwila, WA 98168

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

This letter is written to express my interest in filling the vacant seat in the Tukwila City Council. I have lived in Tukwila for almost three years and previously have served on home owner association boards.

If I am fortunate enough to be selected , I will serve to the best of my abilities and put the needs of the people of Tukwila before any party affiliations. I feel that my integrity, honesty and compassion would make me an asset to the Council, and I hope you would consider me for the vacant seat.

Sincerely,

*G. Dean Ufford*

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

**Applicant Information**

Full Name	Gordon "Dean" Ufford
Street Address	[REDACTED]
City, State, Zip	Tukwila
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 *G. Dean Ufford*

Date 2/6/25

**Additional Information**

Are you a registered voter in King County, 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? 3 years

How long have you lived at your current address? 3 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.

N/A

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?

My grandfather was an elector for the state of Oregon before I was born and I have always thought that people need fair representation in matters of governing. Most of my life I have not had the opportunity to serve in my community, but recent events have shown me that even at the most local level there needs to be people willing to help those around them. Tukwila has a very diverse population and while I am not a statistical minority, I am married to one and my children have mixed race.

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

I have been a volunteer little league baseball coach in the South Highline Little League as well as service on the board of Promenade North HOA in Kent in the past

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

I think Tukwila is at a crossroads of expansion and contraction. The political waves are forcing communities to look at their programs helping the less fortunate while trying to grow. I think Tukwila needs to focus on crime issues and change the optics of a city surrounded by retail and the airport

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

I think Tukwila is a small piece of the larger King County metropolitan area. We have borders with Unincorporated King County, Burien, SeaTac and Seattle. In my work I deal with a lot of programs to help less fortunate with their heating systems as cities partner with utility companies

Summarize your experiences working collaboratively with others from different backgrounds.

My work is as an outside sales person for an HVAC contractor. I work with people from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, economic levels, and languages. Most people know very little about the way their houses are heated and cooled so I educate them to their needs

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

I am an honest and dependable person that will show up to the meetings and do the work needed to help my community

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

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