



City of Grover Beach

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Applications Now Accepted for Grover Beach City Council Vacancy

GROVER BEACH, CA – The City of Grover Beach is now accepting applications to fill a vacancy on the Grover Beach City Council created by the November 6, 2018 election of Council Member Jeff Lee as the City's new Mayor. At a special meeting on December 10, 2018, the November 6th election results were certified by the City Council and Mayor Lee along with re-elected Council Members Mariam Shah and Barbara Nicolls were sworn into office. Council Member Debbie Peterson remains on the Council following her election to her position in 2016.

By a unanimous vote, the City Council decided to fill this vacancy by appointment rather than by holding a special election and would like to invited registered voters of Grover Beach to apply for the remaining term of the position until December 2020. This decision opens the process to the public by asking potential candidates to apply for the position rather than being brought forward by Council Members. To apply, community members are asked to complete an application available on the City's website at www.groverbeach.org and submit it to the City Clerk's Office by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 21**. The applications will be provided to the City Council for its January 7, 2019 regular meeting where the Council will conduct candidate interviews and make an appointment for this position.

"This is an exciting time for Grover Beach and we are interested in finding someone for this important position who is dedicated and committed to moving our community forward," said Mayor Jeff Lee. *"Our City Council represents the community and sets a vision for how to make our city even better. Serving on the Council is one of the best ways that you can make a difference in your community."*

Council Members are expected to attend two regular Council meetings per month on the first and third Mondays at 6:00 p.m. and are also appointed to serve on regional boards, commissions, and subcommittees that generally meet once a month. Following appointment on January 7, the new member will be invited to attend a new Council Member academy in January put on by the League of California Cities along with other orientation events. Council Members receive a stipend of \$600 per month for their service and are also issued a City-owned tablet device for accessing Council agendas and conducting other business.

Interested community members are encouraged to apply by the December 21st deadline for this unique opportunity to serve our community on the City Council. Anyone with questions is encouraged to contact City Manager Matthew Bronson or Acting City Clerk Wendi Sims in the City Manager's Office at (805) 473-4567.

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