

LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 6:00 P.M. City of Lakewood 6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, Washington 98499

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

NEW BUSINESS

Interview candidates for City Council Position 6.

ADJOURNMENT

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TO: Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Briana Schumacher, City Clerk

THROUGH: John J. Caulfield, City Manager

DATE: February 28, 2023 and March 1, 2023

SUBJECT: City Council Position 6 Candidate Schedule, Timing and Interview Overview

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Schedule

Time:	Tuesday, February 28, 2023	Wednesday, March 1, 2023
6:00 P.M.	Christina Manetti	Shawn Hill
6:15 P.M.	Mark Herr	Amanda Quintana
6:30 P.M.	Jeffery Jones	Darwin Peters II
6:45 P.M.	Todd Wolf	La'Reya Brown
7:00 P.M.	Charles Ames	Trestin Lauricella

Timing

15 minutes allotted for each candidate (5 candidates per session)

Scripted time: 14 minutesTransitional time: 1 minute

Interview Overview

Introductory Statement (2 minutes)

Questions (2 minutes each / 8 minutes total)

- 1) What skills, talent or diversity of background would you bring to the City Council?
- 2) How would the aforementioned attributes help you be an effective Councilmember on Day 1?
- 3) What are the top three priorities you believe the City Council should focus on in 2023?
- 4) With all the qualified candidates we are interviewing, why you; why now?

Closing Statement (4 minutes)

To the Members of the City Council:

I would like to be considered for Linda Farmer's seat on the City Council. I confirm that I am a current resident of Lakewood.

I have lived here since 1972, growing up playing on Charles Rough's farm off of Bridgeport, and attending the Montessori preschool in Oakbrook, Dower Elementary and Charles Wright Academy before getting my undergraduate degree at Brown University in Rhode Island, and my master's and doctorate at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Raised here since I was a very small child, I am strongly connected to Lakewood and would like the chance to help insure that it remains a beautiful, healthy and inviting place to live, while welcoming new faces and accommodating quality affordable housing and economic opportunities for its people.

Over the last few years I have demonstrated my commitment to Lakewood and its interests. Since March 2021, I have been a member of the City's Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board, and I am currently its vice-chair. I have been an active campaigner for the City's environment, helping to highlight the importance of the urban tree canopy, with particular emphasis on Garry oaks.

One of my strong points is my ability to find a common language with people having a variety of perspectives, from all walks of life. I honed these skills for over a decade working for foreign correspondents in Europe, when I arranged and interpreted during interviews, whose subjects ranged from coal miners to government ministers, from retirees to a Nobel laureate.

More recently, I have put these skills to use in my meetings with the Lakewood Water District's board of commissioners, library system director, scientists and researchers, non-profit leaders, elected representatives, government employees from all levels and a large number of people from across Lakewood's cultural and political landscape.

I believe my sincere interest in this city's well-being, combined with those communication skills, natural curiosity and extensive academic preparation in research and critical thinking, would make me well-suited to the tasks facing a city council member. In addition, my years spent in other cities and cultures would provide the insights of an outsider "on the inside". Hopefully, this would provide inspiration for new strategies and more thinking outside the box.

I would be honored to serve my hometown in such a position.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christina Manetti, Ph.D.

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CURRICULUM VITAE

Christina Manetti

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Date of Birth: January 1, 1968 Place of Birth: Oak Park, IL, USA

Citizenship: US, Italian; Foreign Slovak status

EDUCATION:

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA

Ph.D., Eastern European History, 1998

Dissertation: "Sign of the Times: The Znak Circle and Catholic Intellectual Engagement in Communist Poland, 1945-1976"

M.A., Eastern European History, 1993

Thesis: "Turning Stalinism into Activism: The Polish Intelligentsia and the Thaw, 19541959"

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA

B.A., History and Russian Studies, 1989

Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude

Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA, training in the use of the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (data analysis) and statistics, summer term 1986

Charles Wright Academy, Tacoma, WA, 1979-1985

FELLOWSHIPS:

- Fulbright-Hays Fellowship, 1997-1998
- International Research and Exchange Board (IREX) Fellowship, 1997-1998
- **Polish Ministry of Education** scholarship, 1997-1998
- **Fascell Fellowship**, US Embassy Warsaw, State Department & Department of Education, 1995
- Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships, for Polish & Czech, 1991-4
- **Slovak Ministry of Education** scholarship, 1993
- Kościuszko Foundation scholarships, 1992, 1994

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Instructor, beginning adult class, Polish Language School of the Polish Home, Seattle, 2016-

Instructor, for private Polish, German, Russian, Slovak, Czech lessons, ongoing

Instructor, Tacoma German Language School, beginning adult, 2015-6; teenager class, 2018

Lecturer, University of Washington, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures – second year Polish, 2012-2013

Lecturer, Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts - taught seminar on postwar European history for second year students, 2008 and 2011

Lecturer, Institute of Applied Linguistics, Polish to English translation for final-year master's students, U. of Warsaw, 1999-2001, 2003

Teaching Assistant (history), Dept. of History, U. of Washington, 1994-5, 1996-7 for World Civilization courses in Ancient, Medieval and Modern European history

Teaching Assistant (Polish), Slavic Dept., U. of Wash., 1994-5, 1996-7

Lecturer, Russian & East European Studies Program, U. of Warsaw, 1998-2002

- classes on current affairs and historical topics related to East Central Europe

Rose Writing Fellow, peer writing tutor, Brown U., 1987-1989

competitively selected; involved intensive course on the teaching of writing

Lecturer, Slovak culture and language, Bellevue Comm. College, WA, seminars, 1993-1996

ESL Teaching, schools and tutoring programs, Slovakia, Poland & US, 1985-2002, currently

OTHER HISTORY-RELATED EMPLOYMENT:

Polish-related research assistant for history professor at the University of Washington, resulting in book: <u>Unsettled</u>. Read, translated and summarized Polish newspaper articles from the immediate postwar period. 2016-2017

Book-length translation from Polish of book on martial law by preeminent Polish historian Andrzej Paczkowski, published as *Revolution and Counterrevolution in Poland*, 1980-1989: *Solidarity, Martial Law, and the End of Communism in Europe* (University of Rochester Press, 2015)

Selection and translation of Polish texts for an anthology of primary sources published by Oxford University Press, *The Communist Experience: A Global History through Sources*; 2009-2010

Translation, summary and selection of Slovak and Polish materials for professors from Dayton University and Vassar College, 2009

Tutoring in Polish language, for Fulbright history professor from Ohio U., 2009

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, past member, 1991-2013
- Slovak Studies Association
 Polish Studies Association
 American Translators Association

LANGUAGES:

• **Polish:** native fluency • **Czech:** (reading) very good • **Russian:** very good

Slovak: near-native fluency
 German: very good
 Spanish: studied to high level, but not in current use

• Italian and Slovene: spoken at home

TRANSLATION EXPERIENCE:

Advanced language study at:

Czech language, including translation: University of Washington, 1990-1995

Polonicum Institute, Warsaw U., 1992 U. of Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2001

Comenius University, Bratislava, 1993 Goethe Institute, West Berlin, 1989-1990

U. of Wash.: Russian → English translation, 1990-5

Selected Work Experience and Projects:

- *Chicago Tribune*, National Public Radio, *USA Today*, *Washington Post*, Knight Ridder, *Ecumenical News Int'l*: interpreter/assistant/photographer for correspondents in Slovakia and Poland, 1996-2012, with occasional assignments continuing remotely
- Research and translation of articles on postwar Polish refugees in the UK for a University of Washington professor's NEH-funded book project, 2016
- Czech text on medieval manuscript *Codex Gigas* for Kungliga Biblioteket Stockholm, June 2007
- YIVO, New York, translations for "Encyclopaedia of East European Jewry", 2005-2007
- Microsoft, three Polish and Slovak language projects, 2002-2003
- Ravensbrück Project, Lund U. Library, Sweden: translation of camp survivor testimonies, 2000-2
- Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw, survivor testimonies, other texts 2001-2003
- Institute of National Remembrance, Poland, on Polish-Jewish relations, July 2002-2003
- Institute for Public Affairs, Warsaw, Poland 2003 2007
- Institute for Political Studies, Academy of Science, Warsaw, Poland 2002 2007 Adam Mickiewicz Institute, Warsaw, materials and essays on various aspects of Polish culture and Polish-Jewish history, 2001-present
- Stanisław Lem, authorized translation of his book *Okamanienie*, 2000
- Various translations: *Krasnogruda* (Sejny), *Przegląd Wschodni*, *Obóz*, journals on E. European themes; *Polish Sociological Review*; *Dialogue & Universalism*; economics texts, Dept. of Economics; European Institute for Regional & Local Development, U. Warsaw; *Revue Européenne de l'Histoire*; *Donosy*
- Foundation for Social and Economic Initiatives, Warsaw, 1992-3, 1997-2002
- various Slovak (1994-present) and Russian interpretation and translation work (1987-1996)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT:

- **ProQuest Information & Learning,** selection and summary of articles in Polish and Czech classical music journals, 2003-2016
- **English language editor, monograph and articles on Russian literature** by Karin Sarsenov, 2001, 2008-2010
- **Field Analyst,** Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research, Washington DC, for translation, press reviews, and research work during parliamentary political campaign in Poland, 2001
- **U.S. Embassy, Warsaw**, on Fascell Fellowship, U.S. State Department, 1995
- Slavic and East European Section, Suzzallo Graduate Library, searching, ordering and processing new and older East European and Russian books for the Slavic collection, U. of Wash., 1990-4

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES:

Classical music: pianist; special interest in Early Music and chamber works; taught music as a volunteer at the local elementary school

Restoring old houses and neglected gardens: a love born of necessity

Traveling, Baking, Cooking: especially related to Central Europe

Languages: Slavic languages, but not only

Mark A. Herr

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13 January 2023

Briana Schumacher City Clerk 6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499

Dear Ms. Schumacher,

In response to the Lakewood City Council's announcement seeking interested parties to fill Position 6, vacated by Councilmember Linda Farmer, please accept this letter as my notification of interest.

I have been a Lakewood resident since April of 2020 and currently reside at 6428 Wildaire Rd SW behind the old library. I spent 18 years serving in the United States Army and now own multiple businesses in Pierce and Thurston County since leaving the service for medical reasons in October of 2019.

My resume is attached with this letter for the council's review of my education, work, and life experience. I hope to bring my 20+ years of experience to the task of participating in the execution of our city's business and day to day function and decision making. As a business owner, I feel I can bring a unique perspective and a pragmatic approach to helping solve the challenges presented to the council as well as being a link between citizens of Lakewood and the Council.

Thank you to the City Council for your time and consideration of allowing me to fill this vacancy and be one of the handful of civic leaders to help guide our wonderful city to continued greatness, success, and prosperity.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Herr

MARK A. HERR

BUSINESS OWNER

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OBJECTIVE

I desire to use my experience of solving problems and overcoming obstacles as a Soldier in austere combat environments in addition to my time in civilian life owning businesses operating in challenging economic and social environments to help guide the direction of the City of Lakewood by joining the Lakewood City Council.

EDUCATION

EXPERIENCE

Associate of Arts

Western Iowa Technical Community College

Sioux City, IA

2014

July 2002 - October 2019
Service Member • Infantryman, Recruiter • United States Army

July 2019 - Present
Owner • Elite Cleaning of Washington • Olympia, WA

September 2021 - Present
Owner • Hammond Knoll • Tacoma, WA

KEY SKILLS

Marketing
Project Management
Budget Management
Business Development
Conflict Resolution
Interpersonal Communication

COMMUNICATION

As a business owner I communicate daily with vendors, clients, and staff and balance the needs of each of these interested groups with the needs of my business. The skills I developed while running Army recruiting offices throughout the country certainly aid me in delivering solutions that meet or exceed all of those competing needs.

LEADERSHIP

In addition to running my businesses, I have deployed to Iraq as a sniper team leader and as a squad leader in 2003 and 2006. I have mentored youth in the Cub Scouts as a den leader, umpired Little League Baseball, and most recently joined the Rotary Club of Lakewood.

REFERENCES

Jason Whalen, President, Rotary Club of Lakewood, Lakewood, WA / jwhalen@cityoflakewood.us

Letter Of Interest: Lakewood City Council (Open Seat)

Most of my political life has spent registering voters or volunteering on campaigns. Not long ago, I wondered why I never put my name in a ballot, why I was always in the background. About three years ago, I invested my personal time looking at Offices or positions I could run for. As with so many others, the money required to run a successful campaign precluded this. Then, this path was put before me.

I have been a resident of Lakewood, consistently, since February 2012. Lately, it seems crime and homelessness have gotten worse, far worse than I can live with. I believe if I can be appointed to this seat I can facilitate laws and ordinances to combat aggressive lawlessness and lessen some of the suffering I see - DAILY. Given the rise in drug use and abuse, a more consist form of intervention will be required, in conjunction with defined paths to success. The City of Lakewood could be that place where the right formula can be attained.

I can't promise that I would remain on the Council, I understand the seat is up for reelection in a few months. I'll use any success in the near term as a barometer to run for a Full Term. Thank you for your consideration.

Jeffery Jones 6112 112th ST SW #39 Lakewood, WA 98499 (360) 486-4084 tangozulu23@hotmail.com Jeffery R. Jones 6122 112th ST SW #39 Lakewood, WA 98499 360 486 4084 tangozulu23@hotmail.com

October 2012 - Present: King County Department of Transportation/Metro Division - Equipment Service Worker/Lead: Inspect, Fuel, service and clean King County Metro coaches, to include; oil, coolant, window washer fluid and tire pressures. Ensure coaches are in kept in a clean and presentable manner for public use. When needed, perform coach changes on Metro routes with coaches that are experiencing mechanical failure. Professional accomplishments/requirements: Washington Class "B" commercial license; to include Air Brake endorsement and Passenger Endorsement.

October 2012 - until RETIRED (August 2017): United States Army Reserve: Petroleum Supply Sergeant. Duties: Managing four Soldiers in the transfer, storage, testing and distribution of petroleum products. As we are attached to an aviation unit, we are tasked with meeting the fuel requirements of twelve MH 67 Chinook helicopters. Responsible for the training and administrative needs of an eighteen Soldier Platoon.

September 2005 - October 2012 US Army: Petroleum Supply Sergeant. Duties and responsibilities included managing ten Soldiers tasked with maintenance and upkeep of Military equipment with a total dollar value of 2.3 million dollars. Supervising personnel in the accomplishment of military missions and non combat responsibilities, to include: Battalion, Company and Barracks areas. Specific Duties entailed transfer, storage and distribution of petroleum products, report writing, budgeting, and physical maintenance of personnel. Other specific duties included security of government buildings and assets. Awarded the Army's "Good Driver Badge" for 10,000 incident free miles.

September 2001 – September 2005 US Navy: Personnel Support Petty officer. Duties and responsibilities included leading and supervising four personnel in the accomplishment of generating and upkeep of personnel records, qualifications, armed rover, pier sentry, dependency data, travel claims, school assignments, processing ID cards and barracks maintenance (while assigned to Shore Duty at Naval Security Group Fort Gordon, GA).

Other employment before September 2001

- Soboba Indian Casino Tribal officer (Casino/Reservation Security F/T)
- Ted R Young (TRY) Security Security Officer (P/T)
- Chief Auto Parts Automotive Customer Service (P/T)
- Pedley Propane Meter Reader (F/T)
- Disneyland Security officer (P/T)

US Navy - Yeoman Petty Officer Third Class (USS PRINCETON CG 59) (Active Duty F/T)

Qualifications, Awards and Certifications

- Combat Lifesaver Qualified Advanced First Aid and CPR
- Army Good Driver Badge For operating Military Vehicles over 10,000

accident/incident free miles

- Combat Marksmanship Training Course Advanced Weapons Handling Appointed Unit Prevention Leader Administering Unit Drug and Alcohol Program (Drug testing)
- Graduate of Disneyland's Customer Service University

Tod M. Wolf

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City Clerk at City of Lakewood, WA bschumacher@cityoflakewood.us 6000 Main Street Lakewood, WA 98499

January 13, 2023

Please accept this letter and attached resume as a proposal to consider me as a candidate to fill the City Council seat recently vacated by Linda Farmer.

I would very much like to continue the path I have travelled to serve and increase my connection to my community. I am sensitive to the needs and desires of Lakewood residents as a parent here for 20 years, enjoying employment, business proprietorship, and public volunteer service in almost every capacity.

I have parented children from birth to adults here, and currently have children from kindergarten through age 16. These kids have included Foster (now adopted), special needs, and !teenagers! My primary interest in the management of our city's affairs and policies are tied to the needs of the diverse families here in Lakewood.

My business connections here run deep, and I am very interested in helping serve a community that is welcoming to future local businesses, as well as regional concerns that will help build a strong tax base and offer employment to our residents.

I have served on and supported many of the local civic and social organizations in Lakewood. I believe my familiar face and message will provide the council with a worthy community communicator and representative.

Warm Regards,

Tod M. Wolf

Tod M. Wolf

8401 112th Street SW, Lakewood, WA 98498

Professional Summary

2002 - Present

Robi's Quik-Color Lab, Inc. Lakewood, WA DBA robis Lakewood Camera + The Print Refinery

Chief Operations Officer/Buyer; Oversee all aspects of business operations. Hire/train all staff and manage incentive programs and bonuses based upon performance and productivity. Managing all areas of marketing, community outreach and communications.

1994 - 2001

Tall's Camera, Inc. Seattle, WA

Cellular Sales Manager/Buyer; Trained sales staff throughout 7 store chain in sales technique, and product expertise in technology sales. Implemented innovative sales modules in grocery chain stores, and at trade shows. Managed corporate-wide product acquisitions, stock levels, and buying negotiations with nation-wide manufacturers and distributors.

1992 - 1994

The Bon Marche', Seattle, WA

Sales Associate; Assisted clients in choosing home electronics gear, including big ticket home theater equipment. Consistently led department in home, office and telecommunications sales.

1988 - 1992

The Metropolitan Performing Arts Center, Spokane, WA

Assistant Theatre Manager and Technician for Sound and Lighting; Responsibilities included public relations, concessions, and technical operations for approximately 10 performances per month.

Education

Bachelor of Arts, Eastern Washington University, 1989

Theatre Management and Technical Operations with an elective Communications minor.

Professional references available on request.

Tod M. Wolf

Community/Civic Summary

2017 - Present Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, Lakewood, WA

Board Member/Board Chair: Acted as a team member and Board Chair planning local business-oriented events, programs and policy statements representing local business membership.

2020 - Present Board Member Lakewood Public Safety Affairs Committee, Lakewood, WA

Citizen Committee Member: This committee provides citizen input to the City Council about public safety policies reports to the City Council and assists in assessing the compliance of City and department policies.

2020, 2022 Lakewood Arts Commission, Lakewood, WA

Committee Member: The role of the Lakewood Arts commission is to assess needs, establish priorities and make recommendations for the enrichment of the community and promotion of its cultural vitality through the arts.

2018 - 2020 Larry Saunders Service Award Recognition Committee, Lakewood, WA

Committee Member: The City of Lakewood, in partnership with Lakewood Community Foundation Fund (LCFF), accepts nominations to honor a citizen or organization for extraordinary service to community. Members meet and judge utilizing established criterion for the annual recognition award and accompanying grant award.

2018 - Present Washington State Fair, Puyallup, WA

Photo Salon Judge: Qualified photos for competition, and then judged for awards - photographs submitted from around the world u

Mr. Mayor, Deputy Mayor, esteemed Councilmembers,

I earnestly seek to fill the vacancy on the Council having these considerations;

PAST -

I have advocated for Lakewood residents even when I personally had nothing to gain.

Only person to speak on behalf of residents for Rental Housing Safety.

Only person to hold the Lakewood Police accountable, yet support them at the Fallen Four Canned Food Drive for several years.

One foot in the future; handed out masks at own expense six years ago as Chair of the Public Safety Advisory Committee- two years before COVID-19, inquired about slow speed Amtrak tests of a now retired Councilmember and water testing, negated by this same member. Later both were found to be unsatisfactory.

PRESENT -

Have attended every Advisory Board and every Neighborhood Association meeting in the past. I am aware councilmembers express concern about the diversity of the Council. No councilmember has *ever* been selected from the Springbrook neighborhood. This could be finally addressed.

Have worked with numerous elected officials; local, county, district, state and federal.

VISION -

- + Mil-to-vet local transitional resources
- + Workshop and implement homeless outreach stand-downs
- + Author weekly podcast/video historical reports
- + Implement safety measures at traffic hotspots
- + Shadow City departments, create and bolster City volunteer options
- + Incentivize recreational attractions, go from fireworks to drone light shows, for example
- + Create Small Business Nursery Zone
- + Enable Neighborhood Associations of all six districts and facilitate networking among them. Solidify back-and-forth dialogue, petitions with residents. Create target task force for troublesome apartment residences. Deny slumlord owners of having multiple properties and discourage offshore property ownership.

On council, I can accomplish this in a single year. I am retired and will devote myself to seeing Lakewood lead. But I realize no man is an island. Let's make Lakewood a world-class leader.

Charles Ames Lakewood, Wa (253)304-4415

Charles Ames

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Lakewood, WA 98499

Mobile: (253) 304-4415 E-mail:kinsmed@yahoo.com

Work -

Washington National Guard 253-512-8000

7 years

Public Affairs Office, Headquarters

Camp Murray, Tacoma, WA

Photojournalist - arrange photo shoots and interviews, escort media, marketing, development and support of command PowerPoint presentations, project newsletter editor for WA. Military Academy.

- Assets * Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran, National Defense Service Medal recipient
 - * Springbrook Pacific Neighborhood Association President, City of Lakewood
 - * Public Safety Advisory Cmte, City of Lakewood, 2-term Chair
 - * President, Harrison Preparatory School Parent Teacher Organization
 - * Lakewood Arts Task Force, inaugural member and first donor
 - * certified Veteran Service Officer
 - * Past Commandant, Marine Corps League, Detachment #504, Pierce County
 - * The Suburban Times citizen correspondent, monthly vet column editor
 - * Pierce College alum; President's List & Phi Theta Kappa
 - * 2yr Communications Technology certificate, Bates, student president
 - * graduate of Lakewood Police Citizens Academy
 - * subscribed to 4 newspapers, including The News Tribune