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Employer: Retired

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Are you a registered Voter in King County? Yes

Have you lived in Federal Way for at least a Year? Yes

Have you previously serves on a City board or commission? Yes

If yes, please list: City Councilmember Pos. 6, Planning Commission

Are you able to attend meetings?

Evening: Yes **Daytime:** Yes

1. Please identify the experience, knowledge and skills you believe that you possess which you could use in working as a City Councilmember, and specifically how they uniquely qualify you for this position. (150 Word Max.) *

The main experience that qualifies me for the position as a City Councilmember is that I have been a Councilmember previously. I served on the Land Use Committee, utilizing my experience from serving a six year term as a City of Federal Way Planning Commissioner when Federal Way became a city. Serving on the King County Boundary Review Board, which reviewed proposals by cities, fire, water, sewer districts for annexation, etc. Previous citizen groups that addressed land use issues has given me a thorough understanding of land use and zoning and how it is implemented in our city. My experience in real estate and banking has also given me a knowledge of various types of development, local neighborhoods and how zoning impacts peoples lives.

2. What is your understanding of the role of a council member? (150 Word Max.) *

The principal job of a city councilmember is to make policy. Listening and soliciting ideas from the citizens, city staff members, business community and property owners need to be taken into

consideration. A councilmember votes on resolutions and ordinances and then those resolutions and ordinances are carried out by the Mayor and staff. Careful attention to the issues at hand are also a skill and role that a council member should have.

3. What ideas and suggestions do you have to enhance economic development in our downtown and around the City? (150 Word Max.) *

I would like to see the City hire a land use consulting firm that specializes in economic development and land use to determine what policies need to be adopted and changed. Also to develop a long-range plan with the goal of sustainable economic development that places job creation at the heart of the plan. I would also like to see the city hire a city manager that has experience and a track record of positive results in economic development and land use. I believe that we cannot have a sustainable economic development plan that is implemented piecemeal - a common vision and measured outcome would serve the citizens and business community in the best way.

4. Please identify what you feel are the top opportunities and priorities for the future of the City – how would you rank such issues, and how would you proceed with developing ideas and/or implementing them? (150 Word Max.) *

Public safety is the top priority for the city. People need to know they are safe in their homes, when they travel and go to and from work. The City should meet the obligations of Proposition 1. Jobs that can meet the future demand of a changing economy and population are badly needed in Federal Way. Family-wage jobs, not minimum wage jobs. A sustainable city budget that can make the transition from a suburban community to an urban center. Urban centers require a higher level of services than suburban communities. It will take more revenue to provide enough services to meet the demand.

5. If appointed to the Council, what changes would you like to see? How would you go about making any change? (150 Word Max.)

I would like to see the City Council reach out to the community to create and embrace more dialogue with the community by Council in the form of Community Town Halls about every other month that address a different topic each time. The community's ideas and input need to go beyond the public comment three minutes at the City Council meetings. When there are large events at Weyerhaeuser Aquatic Center and Celebration Park, I would like to see kiosks with local ambassadors that offer information to the attendees about local events, tourism-related facilities, businesses and restaurants. The City is overdue in developing a new Cultural Plan that reflects all cultures, age groups, abilities of the people of Federal Way. The Cultural Plan should include all art forms, heritage and represent the various cultures that make up the City of Federal Way.

Cover Letter Attached:

<http://www.cityoffederalway.com/sites/default/files/webform/Diana%20Noble-GullifordCover%20Letter%20City%20of%20FW%20Councilmember%20Pos%202%20Vacancy.docx>

Resume Attached:

http://www.cityoffederalway.com/sites/default/files/webform/Diana%20Noble%20Gulliford%20%20Resume%202016_0.doc

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November 22, 2016

Honorable Mayor Jim Ferrell
Deputy Mayor Jeanne Burbidge
Councilmembers Assefa-Dawson, Maloney, Honda, Koppang, Moore, Duclos

Re: Council Positon 2 Vacancy

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the above vacancy of Council Position 2.
As you know, I have applied for a councilmember vacancy before and was successful. I enjoyed the time I served as a councilmember and the wonderful people in the community that I met and served.

It was an easy transition for me to serve as a councilmember due to the extensive experience and qualifications that I have as a member of the Federal Way community for many years and the activities that I devoted my time to as a volunteer.

I am ready and anxious to serve in this capacity again. Over the past few years, I have spent many evenings attending council meetings and listening to the discussions, issues and public comments.

My qualifications show that I have the experience and knowledge to serve as a productive and knowledgeable councilmember.

As a retired senior citizen, I have the time to devote to this position full time and I also can attend meetings during the day and evening.

My resume and written responses are enclosed with this cover letter for your review.

Should you have any questions at all about my answers or my experience in the community, I am open to answer them any time.

Sincerely,

Diana Noble-Gulliford

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Resume:

Current Profession:

Retired from real estate sales of 30 years
Owner with husband of small business – 24/7 Home Inspection

Education/College:

1963 High School Diploma, Secretarial Certificate - Ingraham High School, Seattle
American Bankers Association - Banking, Business Courses
Real Estate Law, Disclosure Law, Discrimination and Ethics, Drug Houses, Marketing, Financing

Previous Employment:

1963-1969 Federal Reserve Bank – Processing bad checks throughout the US
1975-1978 Commercial Banking – Customer service accounts
1980-2011 Commercial, Land and Residential Real Estate Sales – assisting clients with buying and selling
real estate. Worked with new construction and new developments in marketing their product.

Community Activities:

1974-1980	Federal Way Community Council
1978	King County Comm. Plan Revision Committee –Appointed By John Spellman
1980	Federal Way Incorporation Committee
1982 – 1985	King County Boundary Review Board Member – Appointed By Governor
1990 - 1996, 2014-Present	City of Federal Way Planning Commission Member
1992 – 1996	Boy Scouts of America
1995 – Present	Church Activities: Teaching genealogy, organizing compassionate service
2005 – Present	Member Historical Society of Federal Way
2007 – Present	President and Past President of Historical Society of Federal Way
2013-2014	City of Federal Way Councilmember, Pos. 6, Land Use Committee

Personal:

Washington State native and lived in Federal Way Area for approximately 45 years.

Married to husband Paul Gulliford. Five adult children, two grandchildren.

Hobbies: Sewing, gardening, genealogy

Reading: History

Community Activities and Achievements

1974 – 1980 Federal Way Community Council

Reviewed proposed zoning changes, proposed development plans within the Federal Way Community Planning area. Read and reviewed EIS material. Communicated official responses on EIS for the Federal Way Community Council. Organized community meetings with King County, special districts, University of Washington, Urban Planning Department, Washington State Extension Service, Puget Sound Council of Governments, Metro Council staff.

1974-1980 Federal Way Incorporation Committee

Worked with King County and local individuals with the goal of Federal Way becoming a city. Lobbied Congressman Norm Dicks and Senator Magnuson for \$30,000 to pay for an EIS on Federal Way Incorporation. Senator Magnuson held up the federal budget for our \$30,000 to be approved by Congress. The funds were routed through the Puget Sound Council of Governments with the assistance of Seattle Councilmembers Norm Rice and others. Without the \$30,000, Federal Way could not move forward to a hearing process with the King County Boundary Review Board to consider approval to place incorporation on the ballot. King County was not willing to assist Federal Way with this process.

1981-1986 King County Boundary Review board – a Washington State agency. Appointed by Governor John Spellman. Involved judicial review of proposals submitted to the board by special districts, King County, and municipalities for annexations of proposed service areas. Reviewed proposals, EIS, solicited testimony from utility and fire districts, cities, King County and the community. Conducted meetings and hearings with these governmental entities as well as public hearings in the community.

1990-1996 – City Of Federal Way Planning Commission. Appointed to serve on the city's first planning commission. Developed and held hearings on the first comprehensive plan to forward to the City Council for review and adoption. Worked on the following plans and codes: CityShape; landscape; tenant improvements; parking; open space; sign code and more. Adopted zoning to be compatible with the Growth Management Act. Implemented Growth Management Act policies throughout the City's Comprehensive Plan.

2005 – Present – Became active in the Historical Society of Federal Way as a member and board member. Served as president, past president and program chair. Was instrumental in negotiating a new location for the Society, the Steel Lake Annex. Worked with 4Culture and city staff to determine improvements needed before taking possession. Obtained grants to write the book on the history of Federal Way; attended budget hearings for historical signs on major roads and intersections; implemented programs to become more visible in the city; secured funding in order to complete the Barker Cabin and David T. Denny Cabin restoration; obtained grants for 'Federal Way's Oral History. Developed policies for the inventory and safekeeping of Federal Way's artifacts, newspapers, photo collection, oral histories and files. Established framework for annual programming for the community by the Society.

Over the decades I have served in different capacities in Federal Way as a volunteer. Each time, I have gained more knowledge about our community and the people that live here. I would like to serve on the Federal Way City Council in order to serve my community and the people and businesses in the community on a higher level. My experience and commitment to Federal Way speaks for itself. I do not intend to use this position on the council as a step to a higher office. I would be very honored to be appointed by the council members and will serve with honor and integrity. Since I am retired, I am available to attend meetings during the day and evening.