

# Ward 7 City Councilor Nomination Form

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## 1. Eligibility for Ward 7 City Councilor

The Salem City Council will appoint a new councilor to fill the vacant position to fulfill the remainder of the term from a list of a recommendations made by the Board and Commissions Committee. The term expires December 31, 2020. If you meet the requirements below, please complete this form and submit it by 11:59 p.m., October 8, 2019.

To be eligible to serve as Ward 7 City Councilor, you must:

Be a registered voter

Not be a current City of Salem employee

Have lived within Ward 7 continuously during the last 12 months

The Salem City Council is composed of one representative from each of Salem's 8 wards and the Mayor. All members of the City Council, including the Mayor, are unpaid volunteer positions. In addition to twice monthly City Council meetings, members of the Council may participate in many community activities and meetings, including workshops, neighborhood association meetings, committee meetings, and other events.

Any information submitted may be subject to disclosure under Oregon Public Record's Law ORS 192.314.

## 2. Your contact information

### 1. Your contact information

**First Name**

Jerod

**Last Name**

Martin

**Email Address**

[REDACTED]

**Home Address**

[REDACTED]

**Apt/Suite/Office**

House

**City**

Salem

**State**

OR

**Zip**

97302

**Primary Phone**

Day Phone (Optional)

Evening Phone (Optional)

2. Do you live in Ward 7? If unsure, you can use [this map](#) to find out. (Link opens in new window.)

Yes

### 3. About you

3. Which neighborhood associations represent your ward?

Faye Wright Neighborhood Association

### 4. (untitled)

4. Are you registered to vote?

Yes

### 5. About you

5. Please describe your background and experience as it relates to city affairs. Please be specific if your experience relates to any volunteer or paid positions which interface with a city government.

I have owned a business in Salem for almost 10 years and my family has owned a business here for 25+ years. Being a small business owner and growing up in a business atmosphere, I have seen how cities and businesses can work together as a community to help everyone in the city thrive together. I currently sit on the NGRAB advisory board, and have been there since 2017. I have learned much about budgets, projects, planning, and executing when it comes to government spending.

6. City Councilors have many responsibilities and serve in a volunteer capacity. Please discuss your availability and commitment to meet the needs of the community in this role. How much time do you have to give?

I own my company, and have the ability to make my own schedule. I have at least 20 hours per week to attend meetings.

7. Describe your interest in the role. What would you look forward to?

My family has lived in Ward 7 since 1960. The home I live in was bought by my grandfather, my father grew up in the home, then he raised me in the home, and now I am raising my son in the home. Ward 7 is a neighborhood that I love. I look forward to doing everything I can to make the Ward cleaner, safer, and more productive.

8. What do you think are some of the most important issues facing the city today? What are your views on those issues?

I think like most cities we have a problem with a lack of housing for people in need. I don't know exactly how to fix the problem, but I think we as a community should be working hard to come up with a plan to help the effort to create housing. Affordable housing is also connected to that. The homeless problem we have in are city is very troubling. Also connected to housing. From what I hear from people in my area is that crime is on the rise, and they would like to see something done about that, and I agree. Congestion is also a problem that should be addressed, and I hope to hear peoples ideas on how to fix it.

### 6. References

9. Reference #1

**First Name**

██████

**Last Name**

██████

**Email Address**

████████████████████

**Phone Number**

██████████

**Relationship to you**

Friend and Colleague

**Reference #2**

**First Name**

██████

**Last Name**

██████

**Email Address**

████████████████████

**Phone Number**

██████████

**Relationship to you**

Colleague on NGRAB

**Reference #3**

**First Name**

**Last Name**

**Email Address**

**Phone Number**

**Relationship to you**

**7. Thank you!**

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Thank you for your interest in serving as City Councilor for Salem's Ward 7.

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## **8. Thank you!**

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