



APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE YPSILANTI CITY COUNCIL WARD #1

Thank you for your interest in serving the community as a Ward 1 Council Member of the Ypsilanti City Council.

The timeline for filling the Council vacancy is as follows:

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| Thursday, August 6, 2020: | Applications due to City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 11, 2020: | Candidate interviews |
| Tuesday, August 18, 2020: | Council vote and swearing in of new Councilmember |

To be considered, your application must be completed and received by the City Clerk (*in person*) at Ypsilanti City Hall (1 S. Huron St.) **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2020**. Applications received after 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted. Additional written information after this date will not be accepted, unless requested by the City Council.

Please submit the following items:

- Application form
- A **1 page** cover letter indicating your interest and general qualifications for the position.
- A resume of **no more than 2 pages**.
- Answers to the Supplemental Questions of **no more than 3 pages total**.

For further information, please contact
Andrew Hellenga at 734-483-1100
ahellenga@cityofypsilanti.com

The application and any correspondence
should be addressed to:

**Andrew Hellenga, City Clerk
City of Ypsilanti**

1 S. Huron St

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Councilmember Eligibility, Requirements, & Public Disclosure

To be eligible to be appointed to the Ypsilanti City Council Ward #1 position, you:

- Must have continuously resided within the City of Ypsilanti Ward 1 for a minimum of 30 days prior to your appointment to the Council, and
- Must be a registered voter in the City of Ypsilanti Ward 1.

If you hold, participate in or are involved in any contract(s) with the City of Ypsilanti, please explain your involvement in your cover letter.

If you hold any other elected public office, please state what office and where in your cover letter.

Please note that:

- Once a Councilmember application is filed with the City, it is a public record available to the public.
- Applications received from all candidates who meet the minimum requirements, along with the answers to the supplemental questions, will be posted on the City of Ypsilanti website as part of the Council's meeting packet the week of the initial interview.
- If appointed, you will be required by state law to file financial disclosure statements with the Washtenaw County Clerk's Office (www.ewashtenaw.org).



City Council Duties

- Attendance is required at regular City Council meetings, which are held on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month, from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm and occasionally later. From time to time, the City Council or Mayor may call special City Council meetings to handle city business.
- Ypsilanti City Councilmembers are bound by state and federal law and the Ypsilanti City Charter. Ypsilanti City Councilmembers must follow Ethical Principles that are set out in the Ypsilanti City Charter and the provisions of the state law and city ethics ordinance.
- Ypsilanti City Councilmembers are bound by the Michigan Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. These acts provide for full disclosure of the actions of council members. Councilmembers are required to report all financial dealings with the city annually.



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Applicant Information

(Please type or print)

Applicant Name _____

Residence Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Cover Letter & Resume

Please attach a one page cover letter and a resume of no more than two pages to this application.

Supplemental Questions

Please respond to the following questions regarding your interest in the position of Councilmember for the City of Ypsilanti on separate pages using no more than 3 pages total:

1. Why are you interested in serving as an Ypsilanti City Councilmember?
2. What strength would you bring to the Council?
3. What are the three highest priorities and/or issues you believe the City needs to address? How would you propose to address these issues?
4. Explain your current and past community involvement and/or service on city, nonprofit, or public boards, committees, task forces, or commissions and how this has contributed to the Ypsilanti community. Address its relevance to the position of Ypsilanti City Councilmember.
5. What do you wish to accomplish during this appointed term as an Ypsilanti City Councilmember?
6. What is your vision for our City and community?
7. Is there anything else that you may wish to add that would help us get to know you a little better?

Please return (*in person*) this form, your cover letter, resume, and answers to the supplemental questions to the City Clerk, at Ypsilanti City Hall (1 S. Huron St.) **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2020.**

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