



## Application for Appointment to the Madera City Council

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Applications must be filed with the City of Madera City Clerk by:

**Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

### DISTRICT 5 RESIDENCY

Candidates must reside within City Council District 5. For a map of the district, please visit:

[www.madera.gov/district5](http://www.madera.gov/district5)

### APPLICATION FILING REQUIREMENTS

This application is to fill a vacancy on the City Council. While the City Council has authorized the acceptance of applications for consideration, it is possible that the City Council may still decide to fill the vacant seat by special election. Completed applications should be submitted via email to:

City of Madera  
Alicia Gonzales, City Clerk  
[agonzales@madera.gov](mailto:agonzales@madera.gov)

If you wish to drop off completed documents in-person, please contact (559) 661-5405 for an appointment. Social distancing and masks will be required.

### PUBLIC OFFICIAL LIFE

Becoming a candidate for public office means that information about you will become a matter of public record immediately. This includes any and all documents submitted to the city during the course of the application period. As such, these documents must, by law, be available to the public for inspection and/or copying.

In addition, California Government Code Section 87200 notes that members of the City Council are subject to the State's financial disclosure laws and Fair Political Practices Commission regulations and will be required to disclose their economic interests upon appointment to this office.

## **INTERVIEW PROCESS**

The City Council will interview candidates at a special or regular duly noticed public meeting. Candidates will be notified of the date. Qualified applicants may make up to a five-minute presentation to the City Council indicating their qualifications and interest in the position. After all the candidates make their presentation, members of the City Council may ask questions of candidates. Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment. The Council will then deliberate in open session.

## **TERM OF OFFICE**

The term of this office will be from the day of appointment and will expire in December 2022.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMPOSITION**

The City Council consists of an elected Mayor and six elected Council members. Each serves a four-year term. Council members are elected by district whereas the Mayor is elected at large or citywide.

## **THE ROLE OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

The City Council is the legislative body for the City. Madera is a municipal corporation following the Council-Manager form of government. The Council defines the policy direction of the City. The Council makes final decisions on all major City matters and sets citywide priorities and policies. The Council directs the City Manager to implement these priorities and policies.

The Council adopts ordinances and resolutions necessary for efficient governmental operations, approves the budget, and acts as a board of appeals. It appoints also members of the City's advisory boards, commissions, and committees. The Council is responsible for the scope, direction, and financing of City services; establishing policy based on information provided by staff, advisory boards and commissions, and the public; and implementing policy through staff under the Council-Manager form of government.

Members of the City Council also sit as members of the City of Madera Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency, Public Financing Authority, and Housing Authority Board.

## **MEETING DATES & TIMES**

Regular meetings of the City Council are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Regular meetings of the Madera Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency and Housing Authority are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Additional meetings may be called as necessary. The individual selected must be available to actively participate as a Council liaison to numerous external agencies and organizations.

## **COMPENSATION & BENEFITS**

Members of the City Council receive a stipend of \$500 per month and are eligible for health care benefits.

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This application is a public record and will be included with the applicable City Council materials and may be posted on the City's website. Thank you for your interest in serving on the City of Madera City Council.

### DISTRICT RESIDENCY

Please note that candidates must reside in City Council District 5.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years lived in Madera: \_\_\_\_\_

### ATTACHMENTS:

In addition to completing this page, please attach:

1. A resume outlining your educational background and work experience
2. Applicant questionnaire

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete. I legally reside in the City of Madera. I am 18 years of age or older. In compliance with State law, I understand that I will be required to file a statement of Economic Interests upon appointment to office and annually thereafter. I understand that my application and materials will be considered a public record and thus will be available for public inspection and copying. The completed applications may also be published on the City's website.

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*Applicant's Signature*

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*Date*

Civic service is a privilege and responsibility of our citizens. The value and importance of the participation of our citizens cannot be measured. Your interest in serving on the City Council of the City of Madera is *greatly appreciated*.

## APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability. Feel free to attach additional pages if necessary.

1. Please explain why you would like to be appointed to the City Council.
2. What qualifies you to serve on the City Council?
3. What are the greatest opportunities for the City from your perspective?
4. What other information do you think is relevant to your application?