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Applicants Sought for Springfield's Community Development Advisory Committee

The City of Springfield is accepting applications for five citizen vacancies on the Community Development Advisory Committee. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. Friday, September 29, 2017. Application forms are available in the City Manager's Office at City Hall, 225 Fifth Street and on the City's website at <http://www.springfield-or.gov/bcc.htm>. The City Council is scheduled to interview applicants starting at 5:30 p.m. on October 16, 2017 with appointments made at a subsequent Council meeting.

The vacant positions are at-large appointments with 4-year terms. The new terms will begin upon appointment or on January 1, 2018, and will continue through December 31, 2022. Applicants must be residents of the City of Springfield or reside within Springfield's Urban Growth Boundary.

Background:

The volunteer committee advises the City Council on matters related to the City's housing and community development activities. Activities are funded annually by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Projects funded with HUD funds address the priority needs identified in the Eugene-Springfield five-year Consolidated Plan, and serve primarily low and moderate-income residents of the City.

The committee meets two to four times a year. They assist with reviewing annual plans for use of funds, including evaluating applications for funding, soliciting and receiving written comments from the community, conducting public hearings, and making recommendations to City Council.

Applications for the committee are encouraged from lower-income earners, residents of lower-income neighborhoods, racial and ethnic minorities, seniors, persons with disabilities and female heads of households.

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