

Livability Levy Oversight Committee Application

1. Please complete this application to apply for the Livability Levy Oversight Committee

1. Profile

First Name

Jean

Middle Initial

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Last Name

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Email Address

[REDACTED]

Company Name

Home Address

[REDACTED]

Apt/Suite

Not applicable

City

Salem

State

OR

Postal Code

97301

What Ward Do You Live In?*

Ward 1

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Alternate Phone

[REDACTED]

Employer

retired

Job Title

Planner 4

Occupation

Lead in development of state's Oregon Public Transportation Plan. Prior work for ODOT included grant program policy and rule development, grant and fiscal management.

2. Which of the following City board or commission meetings have you attended?

Budget Committee

Salem Planning Commission

3. What do you feel you can contribute as a board or commission member?

I was a member of the Revenue Task Force that resulted in the current levy. I was a Planning Commissioner, and am currently the Treasurer of the Grant Neighborhood Association. In the past, I was an elected official of the Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation District.

My skill sets include listening and distilling a variety of viewpoints. I try to find the critical elements that lead to success or failure. Often the middle ground, more conservative path is the correct way which allows for future improvement. In the case of NWCP, limited funding and many demands required balance of current needs and of future development.

4. What prompted your interest in applying to serve as a board or commission member?

I sat on the Revenue Task Force, and I feel that is opportunity is a logical next step. My involvement in Grant Neighborhood Association provides ongoing input from my neighbors and local businesses.

5. Please explain how your education, professional, personal, or volunteer experience and knowledge qualify you to serve on the board(s) or commission(s) for which you are applying.

My experience in my various professional, personal and volunteer activities has taught me to listen to the variety of inputs to distill the key elements before committing to a decision. I don't always go along with the crowd. I want to see incremental success that will support future improvement.

6. List any experience you have with volunteering for the City of Salem or other organizations.

Planning Commission, Revenue Task Force, Grant Neighborhood Association, Salem Art Association, volunteer for Salem Youth Orchestra.

Each of these groups requires different inputs. Need to balancing the various viewpoints before making a fiscally responsible decision. Sometimes the answer is No.

7. Briefly explain any experience you have working with your neighborhood association or other public bodies or committees.

Grant Neighborhood Treasurer: account for and manage neighborhood funds.

See prior responses.

8. The Livability Levy Oversight Committee is anticipated to convene quarterly. Can you commit to attending a minimum of 75 percent of scheduled meetings?

Yes

9. Please list up to three references whom we could contact to learn more about your qualifications (name/email address or phone number/ relationship).

	Name	Email or phone number	Relationship to you
1.	Susan Napack	[REDACTED]	Neighbor and co volunteer for neighborhood association
2.	Ann Hanus	[REDACTED]	friend; co manager of Oregon of Oregon Public Transportation Plan for Association of Oregon Counties
3.			

10. What is your experience with financial planning, auditing or operations?

Budget and auditing grants: participating in planning the operations of ODOT Public Transit Division which includes program budget management.

11. Are you currently or have you been a member of the Salem Library Advisory Board, Salem Parks and Recreation Advisory Board or the Center 50 Advisory Commission?

No

12. Are you or a family member currently employed or were you previously employed by the City of Salem?

No

13. What do you see as the role of a member of the Livability Levy Oversight Committee?

Balance needs to make best use of limited funding. Issue is the future of funding that is not secure. We need to advise for decisions that can support future development and operations that could be curtailed due to lack of funds or be built upon if additional funds are available.

14. Ethnicity

White

15. Gender

Female