

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN
COUNCIL AGENDA
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10 W STATE STREET
JANUARY 5, 2018, AT NOON

1. ROLL CALL:

2. BUSINESS:

2.I. 2nd Ward Council Member Vacancy Interviews

The following individuals have submitted letters of interest for the vacancy of 2nd Ward City Council member and will be interviewed by the City Council:

Bob Untiedt, 2104 West State Street

Jay Carollo, 1010 Summit Street

F. Leigh Bauder, 401 Orchard Drive

Brittany O'Shea, 104 Highland Acres Road

Documents:

[BOB UNTIEDT LETTER OF INTEREST.PDF](#)
[JAY CAROLLO LETTER OF INTEREST.PDF](#)
[LEIGH BAUDER 2ND WARD LETTER.PDF](#)
[BRITTANY OSHEA LETTER OF INTEREST.PDF](#)

3. DISCUSSION:

4. ADJOURNMENT:

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Jessica Kinser
City Administrator
City of Marshalltown

Dear Ms. Kinser,

I write with strong interest to seek the position of 2nd Ward Councilmember, City of Marshalltown. Over the last two decades, I have had a strong interest in the workings of city governments wherever I have lived, and believe I have both an significantly above-average understanding of the responsibilities and workings of city government, and a depth of commitment to service, if selected, which will meaningfully benefit the constituents I would serve.

The two major areas of interest I have in apply for this position relate to my interests in helping Marshalltown maintain continued population growth, and also to have a role in keeping a strong, productive council. First, I have a long history of involvement with city governments around land use and housing creation. I know that housing is a significant priority for both MEDCO and Vision Marshalltown, and would like to be part of these efforts as a Council person. I could bring to them both some decades of study, limited relationships with Urban Studies professors at UIowa, and connections to the statewide Habitat for Humanity network – but I wouldn't try to co-opt already progressing activities; rather, I'd assess current efforts, and be part of the team of already-invested persons in this cause.

Second, I have led nonprofit organizations for a good part of two decades, and ran a training center for nonprofits, as well. I know that good governance is helped by people working well together. If selected, I be a strong partner *with others* on the council in getting things done. That is, while I have ideas and vision, I also hold very firmly to the belief that a Council which has diversity of views, yet also mutual respect and effectiveness, is a huge asset to a community. I've seen city councils in small towns in Iowa that did not work well together, and I simply don't think this is something Marshalltown can afford.

I am also interested in how strategic priorities for the city are created, want to know and have some influence in the future direction of this City, and wish to engage more people in Marshalltown. If appointed, for instance, I would strongly consider the idea of holding monthly constituent meetings at the Iowa Veteran's Home, if that made sense and were agreeable to the Home. I would seek to educate constituents on city functions as much as seek input on issues.

I am new to Marshalltown, still, having lived here only 20 months. But I believe that this is a place that gets things done. I am the Director of the Orpheum Theater, which has established some collaborations with daycare centers, elementary schools, and other arts groups, as a way of strengthening the overall cultural health of this place. We partner annually with the Central Business District, support the Linn Creek Art Festival, and give assistance to other arts/cultural groups. I am also a member of the board of the Convention & Visitors Bureau and a Marshalltown Library Board of Trustees. This is all to say: I'm not waiting for this Council possibility to be an active supporter of Marshalltown – I'm doing it already. But I have the time, interest, and support of the Iowa Valley Community College District to become a City Council member. I believe I would add value to this body, and appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bob Untiedt
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December 20, 2017

This letter is to express my interest in the 2nd ward Marshalltown City Council seat vacancy. The following is a brief introduction and why I would make a good appointment for councilor.

I am a 55 year resident of Marshalltown, moving here from Westchester County, New York in 1963 when my father was transferred by the former Dunham-Bush Company when I was 11 years old. I have always lived in the 2nd ward during this tenure.

Marshalltown history is a pet subject ever since doing a report in the 7th grade and meeting the Mayor, City Clerk and Police Chief. I have amassed a large collection and library off Marshalltown memorabilia and reference materials and have often been referred to as 'the Marshalltown historian'.

Progress with Purpose and Pride has always been one of my feelings about the local happenings and if I recall correctly, this was a mid 1960's Chamber of Commerce motto. In 55 years, I love it here and now consider Marshalltown my hometown.

I have served on many city and county commissions, most recently as a commissioner on Planning and Zoning, where I was chairman for two terms. I've also served on the Site-Plan & Review Board for city & downtown signage and window treatments. Spent 7 years with the e-911 City/County Service Board with several of those years as chairman.

Active with Central Iowa Genealogical Society, presiding for the past 5 years and President of Board of Trustees at Riverside Cemetery for the past two years, being on the board for 4.

I'm retired having had a varied career with Avey Funeral Home, Marshall Motor Coach and Tri-State Lock Service. I received a kidney transplant in 1996 and everything is going well health wise.

Presently am a correspondent/feature writer for Marshalltown Times-Republican's Past Times monthly tabloid section doing the columns "When Our Town Was Young", that features Marshalltown's past history and photos; "Local Comment", tributes to those who have passed on of some notoriety or had a special part of my life along with those veterans who have passed and the "Finding Yesteryear" column, devoted to genealogical interests.

I also volunteer as lead digitizer of records at Riverside Cemetery with their 95 acres, 24,000+ burials and 154 year history. Anderson Funeral Homes has also asked my assistance in digitizing their 120+ year history of those area residents passed on. With my genealogical and historical interests, all kind of goes hand in hand, being another way to learn of the people and our community.

I enjoy people, visiting and learning about old and new ideas. I spent about 3 years with the initial Orpheum Centre Inc committee saving and preserving the vintage and historic RKO Orpheum theatre building before the restoration efforts by Marshalltown CDB, Marshalltown Community College and grant givers finished the attraction to our downtown. In my 55 years I recall and remember how downtown has changed and evolved with the times. I don't think we should dwell on the past, but progress with the future. Memories are great to have but new ideas are also exciting and great to see take place. Being centrally located Marshalltown has a lot to offer and while each ward councilor should be concerned with their home areas, it is my opinion they also represent the whole metropolitan area of our great city, therefore should communicate and get to know not only the councilors, but the areas themselves so as to make intelligent decisions regarding

the best possible approach to move our city forward in a fiscally responsible and appropriate manner. Communication with the citizens, department heads and other involved governmental agencies would be one of my important concerns.

It is my feeling that I could serve without conflict from my Times-Republican responsibilities, I am know as one who does not 'blab', can keep his mouth closed on important matters and knows the meaning of confidentiality through my varied positions served in the past and present. If it would appear to be a conflict to my fellow councilors should I be appointed, I would resign at the newspaper. I do not see any conflicts in my life that would prevent attending meetings and am frankly not a fan of attendance via telephone. I will admit to knowing and even being friends with some of the past and present council members, department heads and employees, but again don't see that as being conflicting.

I look forward to sharing my views with you and/or the council and can be available on short notice.

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641-753-7891 My Riverside Cemetery office

I can provide references upon request from ward residents, friends and associates as needed.

Jessica Kinser

From: Leigh Bauder <bauderconsulting@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 26, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Jessica Kinser; scoughenour@Marshalltown-ia.gov
Subject: 2nd Ward Appointment

Jessica-

I would like to be considered for the upcoming appointment to 2nd Ward seat that will be vacated due to Joel Greer being elected mayor.

As you are aware from our past discussions, I have the educational and business background that would allow me to serve my fellow neighbors and citizens in Marshalltown. I have lived in Central Iowa for over 50 years and I have been living in my current home located in 2nd Ward since 2002.

I attended and graduated from Semco, Marshalltown Community College, Iowa State University, and have a Masters in Public Administration from Drake University. I worked for several years in management for Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Iowa, Iowa Farm Bureau, Great Western Bank, and established my consulting business (Bauder Consulting, Inc.) in Marshalltown in 2010. Bauder Consulting, Inc. focuses on the analysis of budgets and research of insurance markets to help clients (individuals and employer groups) determine the best solutions for their goals and needs. The skill set that I have developed through these educational and career experiences will help me be available to our citizens along with helping me analyze issues being presented to the council which are often tied to budgetary review.

I have actively participated in multiple volunteer opportunities throughout our community & Central Iowa including: Make a Wish Foundation, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Marshalltown Community School District (PTO president, School board activities for Lenihan reconstruction, anti-bullying district policy updates), coach for softball, AEA 267 Access board, Morning Optimist board, Not In Our Town, Sunday School teacher, Church outreach teams, Special Olympics and most recently..the co-founder for Splash 4 Life. I firmly believe that the promotion and coordination volunteer opportunities in our community is critical in order to address City budget issues, instill community pride...which can lead to many positive aspects that will result in a better community for all.

I truly believe that in order to make things better for our community, one must be willing to work together as a team, acknowledge areas of improvement needed and implement solutions. A mantra of one of my friends is..."If you don't study issues we are facing, work together to bring a solution to the table, you become part of the problem." I have found these words to hold true in many areas of my life, thus my request to be considered for the upcoming open seat. I want to Make A Difference in Marshalltown and humbly serve my fellow neighbors with the other councilors and Mayor.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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December 16, 2017

Brittany O'Shea
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City Council
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Marshalltown, Iowa 50158

Dear City Council,

My name is Brittany O'Shea, and I am writing to apply for the position of Second Ward City Council Seat that will be vacated in January.

With over 8 years experience living in Ward 2, I believe I would be a perfect fit for this seat. I graduated with a Bachelor's in Marketing from Iowa State University in 2007. After graduating I worked in management for a couple years before becoming a stay at home mother in 2010. I moved to Marshalltown in 2009 and bought a house with my husband in the second ward and have lived in the same house ever since. As a young adult in Marshalltown I believe I would make a great representative and voice for the constituents. I have served on the Fisher Elementary School PTO for 4 years, currently in the role of president. The PTO is operated much the same way as City Council. The primary goal of the PTO is to represent the students and parents to help further the education and support at the elementary level. I have been a member of the IGADAM (I Give a Damn about Marshalltown) group since its inception. Through those meetings and gatherings I have met many people with many different points of view and would enjoy the chance to represent their voices in the City Council arena.

I ran for an At Large seat during the City Council elections in November. I had a strong following with 763 Marshalltown residents voting for me.

My husband, children and I plan to have a long and bright future in Marshalltown. I would appreciate the chance to make Marshalltown the best place for my family and friends to live, work, and thrive.

To further discuss my qualifications and interest, please don't hesitate to contact me at 641-758-9813. I am quite active on Email too at bnoshea86@yahoo.com. I have an active social media presence on facebook, feel free to check it out.

Thank you,
Brittany O'Shea

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brittany O'Shea". The signature is stylized, with the first name "Brittany" written in a cursive-like script and the last name "O'Shea" in a more formal, blocky style.