

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO
VACANT ELECTED POSITION
ASHLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER¹**

Please type or print answers to the following questions and submit to the City Recorder at City Hall, 20 E Main Street, or email melissa.huhtala@ashland.or.us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Recorder at 541.552.2084 (p) or 541.613.0194 (c). **Attach additional sheets if necessary.**

Name _____

Address _____

Occupation _____ Phone: Home _____

Work _____

Email _____

1. What do you think are the biggest issues facing the Parks and Recreation Commission currently?

The two main issues I am aware of are sustainability of funding and protecting the park against a changing environment in regards to drought and wildfire risk.

2. Do you have experience working with local government, paid or volunteer?

If yes, please describe:

3. Do you have past non-governmental volunteer experience?

If yes, please describe:

I am a volunteer for the Ashland Parks engaged in weed abatement.
I have been a neighborhood coordinator for the Ashland Food Project for eight years.
I am a volunteer for Ashland CERT.
I volunteered for several months with Asante vaccination clinic.
I volunteer with the Bear Creek Bird Survey.
I also volunteer for the Southern Oregon Land Conservancy in weed abatement..



¹ Article XIX of the City Charter establishes the position of Park Commissioner as an elected position. Article XXII establishes the Recreation Commission and states that the positions of Recreation Commissioner shall be filled by the elected Park Commissioners.

4. **What is your educational background?**

Please describe:

5. **Why are you interested in this position?**

I love Lithia Park and the surrounding park land managed by Ashland Parks and Rec. I spend time in Lithia or North Mountain park or Ashland Pond every single day and know what a blessing these spaces are for the people and critters of Ashland. I am invested in its preservation as a vital part of our community as well as for local flora and fauna. I believe green spaces and the educational outreach programs of the department are essential for the health of our community and the surrounding environment.

Date



Signature

