OPPORTUNITY FOR APPOINTMENT TO VACANCY
ON THE ARVIN CITY COUNCIL

With the resignation of Councilmember Robles, a Councilmember position is now vacant. The City Council has authority to appoint a qualified member of the community to the vacant seat to serve on the City Council for the remainder of Councilmember Robles’ term, which is less than two years. If you are interested in applying for this position, please fill out an application and timely submit it to the City Clerk as further described below.

By way of background, the Arvin City Council is the decision-making body for the City regarding policy and legislative items. The City Council provides decision making through official actions and direction at public City Council meetings to the City Manager, who in turn is responsible for the day-to-day management of the City. In this regard the City Manager serves as the administrative head of the government of the City and oversees implementation of City Council policy decisions and direction. Service on the City Council offers an opportunity for residents to become involved in their City government and to help shape the direction of the City.

The Arvin City Council meets regularly on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. In addition, Arvin City Council Members serve as ex-officio members on one or more City committees and often represent Arvin at many different events and groups.

If you are interested in serving on the Arvin City Council, please download the application below and submit a completed application to City Clerk Cecilia Vela no later than 5 P.M., Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

- Please submit your completed application to: Cecilia Vela, City Clerk, Arvin City Hall, 200 Campus Drive, Arvin CA. 93203 or via email to cvela@arvin.org.

- All applications must be received by the City Clerk by no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021. City Staff will then distribute the applications to the City Council.

- The Council will be considering this matter at the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2021. Please attend the meeting by videoconference and be prepared to participate if requested by the City Council. The agenda and contact information will be posted by no later than Friday evening on May 21, 2021, and can be found at https://www.arvin.org/AgendaCenter. During the meeting the City Council may conduct any interviews, discuss, appoint, or continue the item to a subsequent meeting as may be appropriate.
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARVIN

(Separate page(s) may be attached if additional space is needed however, all sections and all questions on this application form must be completed.)

1. Full legal name: ________________________________

2. Address of legal residence or domicile within the City (attach two utility bills or similar documents as proof of residency): ________________________________

3. Contact information: ________________________________
   Phone ___________________________________________
   Email ___________________________________________

4. Occupation/Employer: ________________________________

5. Are you a resident of the City of Arvin? __________

6. How long have you lived in Arvin? ______________

7. Are you a registered voter and over 18 years old? ________

8. Are you disqualified, or have you been disqualified, by the Constitution or laws of the state from holding a civil office? ________

9. Have you ever been convicted of a felony involving the giving, accepting, or offering of a bribe, embezzlement or theft of public funds, extortion, perjury, or conspiracy to commit any such crime, under California law or the law of another state, the United States, or another country? If so, have you been granted a pardon in accordance with law?
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10. Why do you wish to serve as a member of the City Council of the City of Arvin?
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11. What would you bring in the way of perspective or experience to the City Council?

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12. Describe your qualifications which will assist the City Council in evaluating your application:

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13. Describe your involvement with the community in Arvin, including any community service:

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14. Describe any prior governmental experience, including any ties to, or experience with, working with the City Council or City staff:

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15. What is your vision for the City?

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16. What do you perceive to be the primary issues facing the community now and over the next 2-4 years? Do you have any ideas of how the community should approach solutions to these issues?

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17. What do you believe is the responsibility of a City Councilmember to the general community? To developers or business? To the City Council?

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18. Regular meetings of the City Council are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month starting at 5:30 p.m. Will you be able to attend regular Council meetings if appointed? ________________

19. Will you be willing to serve on the City Council including any Council subcommittees or appointments to boards and commissions? __________________________

20. Please state any other information you would like to provide:

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Additional Information:

- If appointed, you will need to complete an FPPC conflict of interest form 700.
- You may also be subject to a background check.
- If appointed, the City will provide orientation and opportunities for training including any training required by State law.

Acknowledgement:

I declare under the penalty of perjury that I am a registered voter with a legal residence or domicile within the City of Arvin. I also acknowledge and agree that the appointment to fill a vacancy on the City Council is a public process. As a result, this application may be used or released to the public subject to redaction of personal information by the City as appropriate. Further, I understand that as a potential candidate I may be subject to subsequent public interviews or discussion of the merits by the City Council during City Council meetings which are open to the public. Finally, I confirm that I will be able to attend and participate, including attendance of regular Council meetings, if appointed as a Councilmember.

Print Name: ____________________________

Signature: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________