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**FORMAL PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE TO SERVE IN CLOVIS
COMMISSION DISTRICT 3 POSITION VACATED BY ROBERT O. SANDOVAL**

Thank you for your interest in serving in the position of City Commissioner, District 3, to fill the position vacated by Clovis City Commissioner Robert O. Sandoval. Serving as a commissioner requires many hours of commitment and dedication to serving Clovis' citizenry, not only of District 3, but the entire Clovis community. Term of this position will be until the next regular municipal election in March 2018.

The City Commission has some tough choices ahead in the coming years, particularly in relation to the City's finances and infrastructure and we are seeking a candidate who is able to give of their time to collaborate in providing solutions to these challenges to our constituents.

Section 4-5 of the Clovis City Charter states: *A vacancy in the office of Commissioner, Mayor or Municipal Judge occurs upon the officer's death, disability, resignation or termination of residency in the City or the district represented. If the office is vacated, the remaining members of the Commission shall appoint a registered qualified elector to fill the vacancy within thirty (30) days of the vacancy. Any registered qualified elector appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve until the next regular City election, at which time a registered qualified elector shall be elected to fill the remaining unexpired term, if any.*

The Clovis City Commission will appoint a replacement for the vacated position of Commissioner Sandoval at their regular meeting scheduled for October 20th, 2016, in accordance with the Clovis City Charter which requires the appointment of a replacement within 30 days of the vacation of said seat. Applicants should attend the meeting, prepared to give a 3-5 minute presentation regarding their desire to serve and be available to answer questions from the Commission.

Prior to the Commission meeting, candidates should complete the attached questionnaire to the City Manager no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 14th, 2016.

On behalf of the Clovis City Commission, thank you for your interest in serving your community.

Sincerely,

David M. Lansford
Mayor

CITY OF CLOVIS

Application Form

Clovis City Commissioner District 3

Name _____

Home Address _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell Number _____

Business or Occupation _____

Employer _____

Business Number _____ Fax Number _____

Business Address _____

Email Address _____

1. Please tell us why you are interested in this appointment and what special skills or knowledge you feel you have to offer.
2. What do you feel have been the biggest challenges the City of Clovis has faced in the past ten years?
3. What do you feel are the biggest challenges facing the City of Clovis within the next five years?
4. Like many of New Mexico's municipalities, the City of Clovis is facing some tough choices in relation to the 2013 decision by the NM State Legislature regarding the hold harmless provision. As a result of this, the City of Clovis will lose substantial revenues over the next several years.
 - a. What is your understanding regarding the repeal of the hold harmless and its effect on New Mexico's municipalities?
 - b. Please share your thoughts regarding this and your willingness to potentially raise taxes in order to address the financial shortfall.
5. What are your short, intermediate and long term solutions for addressing the water challenges our area is facing?

6. Please provide your prioritization as to importance of the list below from 1 to 8, with 1 being the most important and 8 being the least important:

- ___ City services (Library, CATS, Airport, solid waste collection)
- ___ Economic Development
- ___ Finances
- ___ Housing (code enforcement, planning & zoning)
- ___ Public Infrastructure (roads, wastewater, landfill)
- ___ Public Safety (Police, Fire)
- ___ Quality of Life (recreation, beautification)
- ___ Other: _____

Please submit to City Manager Larry Fry, 321 N. Connelly Street, Clovis, New Mexico or lfry@cityofclovis.org no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, October 14th, 2016.