

MEMO: Gaithersburg City Council

DATE: Oct 6, 2014

FROM: Bruce Goldensohn
11504 Golden Post Lane
Gaithersburg, MD 20878



SUBJECT: Appointment to a City Council Vacancy

Members of the Council:

This Memo is to advise you that I would like to be considered for the appointment to fill the expected vacancy on the City Council. I have devoted many years to the City through elected and appointed positions, and service to local non-profit agencies. My interest and involvement in City issues has never wavered.

I have attached the requested documents for review by you and staff, and I am prepared to answer any questions that you may have. My availability is immediate, and I have no other commitments that would interfere in my fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of the Council position.

There is one issue that I am willing to make publically clear, and that is that I will not use this appointment in any way to seek election to a City position after the "shortened" term is completed. My service as a member of the Council would therefore end with the swearing in of a newly elected Council member.

The commitment to not "run" again relieves the current Council of the possibility of any accusation of "pre-selecting" or "anointing" anyone for a future election. A recent example of this scenario occurred in Montgomery County when Council Member Ervin resigned, and Sherri Branson was appointed to serve only until the next election with the promise that she would not seek the position in the ensuing election.

It would be an honor to serve the citizens of Gaithersburg again.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bruce Goldensohn



APPLICATION FOR COUNCIL MEMBER

To: Gaithersburg City Council
c/o The City Attorney

I hereby request that you include my name for consideration for the office of Council Member

Please Print: Bruce A Goldensohn
(Legal First, Middle Initial and Last Name. No nicknames or titles.)

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOLLOWING:

1. My name is: Bruce A Goldensohn
2. I am a registered voter in the City of Gaithersburg.
3. I now reside at: 11504 Golden Post Lane, Gaithersburg 20878
(Address, City & Zip Code)
- Home Telephone: 301-869-2821 Business Telephone: NA
4. I have attached a Financial Disclosure Statement and a letter of interest detailing why I am interested in the position and my priorities for the City of Gaithersburg.
5. I consent to the public release of my name, this Application, Financial Disclosure Statement and letter of interest.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY:

1. I meet the qualifications for the above stated office, as set forth in Sections 4 of the City Charter.
2. I am not a candidate for any other elected office in the City of Gaithersburg.

Bruce A Goldensohn
Signature of Applicant

Oct 6, 2014
Date of this Application

THIS APPLICATION FOR COUNCIL MEMBER SHALL BE FILED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY ON OR BEFORE 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014.



**CITY OF GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
APPLICANTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBER**

NAME: Bruce Goldensohn

ELECTED OFFICE SEEKING: _____

This Financial Disclosure Statement covers the period of time from January 1, 2014 through October 6, 2014.

Please list the gifts* exceeding Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) in value or a combination of transfers from any person or entity exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in value which you received. If you have **NOT** received any gifts, please print **NONE RECEIVED**.

Date Received	Name & Address Of Donor	Description of Gift	Approximate Retail Value (at time of receipt)
NONE RECEIVED			

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above information which is provided in compliance with Chapter 7A of the City Code ("Ethics Code") is true and correct.

SIGNATURE: Bruce Goldensohn DATE: Oct 6, 2014

*The term "gift" is defined in Chapter 7A of the City Code ("Ethics Code"), Sections 7A-1.3(c) and 7A-4(h) and does not include campaign contributions.



**CITY OF GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND
INTEREST OR EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE
APPLICANTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBER**

NAME: Bruce Goldensahn

ELECTED OFFICE SEEKING: Member City Council

This Interest or Employment Disclosure Statement must be filed by October 6, 2014.

I have the following interests that may create a conflict of interest under Chapter 7A of the City Code ("Ethics Code") Section 7A-4.

NONE

I am employed by:

NONE - Retired

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above information which is provided in compliance with Chapter 7A of the City Code ("Ethics Code") is true and correct.

SIGNATURE: Bruce Goldensahn DATE: Oct 6, 2014

My priorities and visions for the Citizens of the City include -

The acknowledgment that the elected officials and staff of the City serve to provide for the best, most efficient, cost effective, and responsive municipal government possible.

My number one priority is to insure the continuation of this principal. I will strive to reach out to all ethnic, racial, business, and interest groups in our community. We must guarantee open communications and a continuum of cooperation and compassion in all City actions. We must insure that no one is forgotten, that no one is ignored, and that all are given a chance to be heard.

In support of our citizens we must work towards excellence, and when deficiencies occur, strive to eliminate them.

Our City has long worked to provide high quality planning and infrastructure to support all sectors of the community. Along with this is the need to provide daily assistance through public safety, recreation programs, and general community services. An integral part of my personal drive is to insure that all of this happens.

Since Gaithersburg cannot thrive totally on its own, a priority for me is to insure that the City maintains continuous effective relations with the Montgomery County government, as well as the Maryland State government. Through the past few years, I have maintained relatively close contact with all of our County officials, as well as our State Senator and Delegates.

One of the really good things that our City has done in the past is to carefully develop and maintain a Strategic Plan for the City. I have attended many of the work sessions where this plan was discussed and developed. It was rather obvious how diligently the Mayor, Council, and staff analyzed what had been done, and then how to improve on it. While details are essential, the opening pages of that plan really hit the mark. I am referring to the Mission & Vision page and the Guiding Principles page. I whole heartedly support and endorse those words.

Signature Bruce Goldensohn Date Oct 6, 2014

Bruce A Goldensohn
11504 Golden Post Lane
Gaithersburg, MD 20878
(301-869-2821) – (anbrugo@yahoo.com)

SKILLS/CAPABILITIES:

- Executive level management and administration
- Community leader, negotiator and consensus builder
- Team builder for employee motivation and increased productivity
- Task/project organization and management
- Customer relations, development and enhancement
- Crisis management and problem solving at multiple levels
- Efficient facility operations and management
- Senior level review editor, document control/management
- Meeting/event planning and coordination

WORK EXPERIENCE:

TASC Inc. (formerly Northrop Grumman Mission Systems & TRW Inc.) - February 1983 – February 2007; December 2008 – 2011.

- Served as a non-technical Systems Engineer for Management in support of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the modernization of the US Air Traffic Control System and Weather Processors Support.
- Provided managerial assistance and document production control for senior FAA Project Managers.
- Managed the FAA Development Demonstration Facility (DDF) located in Gaithersburg, MD. Supervised 20 member staff that provided technical presentations and briefings to foreign and domestic FAA air traffic and facility operations personnel.
- Performed as Systems/Test Engineer to the Secure Analysts File Environment (SAFE) Project. Supported the development of a major data base handling system.

US Department of Defense, Defense Intelligence Agency - July 1965 – February 1983

- Served as an Intelligence Research Specialist in the analysis of transportation systems (highways, railroads) and naval material production and military economics.
- Provided support to military current intelligence efforts, including budget analysis, asset utilization, and system requirements.

PUBLIC SERVICE:

- Commissioner – Maryland Governor’s Commission on Service and Volunteerism.
- Appointed by the County Executive of Montgomery County Maryland as Co-Chair of the Committee Evaluation Review Board (CERB) - Term 2012-2013
- Member, Board of Education, Montgomery County, MD; served as Vice President;
- City of Gaithersburg, MD – Served as Mayor, Councilmember, and member of the City Planning Commission;
- Served on Board of Directors and Transportation Planning Board of Washington Metro Area Council of Governments, the advisory Board of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, and on the Board of Directors of Maryland Municipal League;
- Chaired fundraising events - American Heart Association, Montgomery County, MD;
- Judge for Montgomery County Schools Mock Congressional Hearings, Science Fairs, and Odyssey of the Mind Competitions;
- Vice-President of the Library Advisory Committee for the Gaithersburg Branch of the Montgomery County Library;
- Board of Directors for the GSharp Intervention program at Gaithersburg High School.
- Member of the Board of Trustees for Hospice Caring, Montgomery County, MD,
- Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Seneca Creek State Park
- Election Judge, Montgomery County, MD
- Montgomery College, Lifelong Learning Institute Curriculum Advisory Committee.
- Board of Directors – Shady Grove Village Community Association

EDUCATION:

Queens College - BA (Government and Politics)

Hunter College – Graduate studies (Geography)

University of Maryland - Graduate studies (Transportation Geography & Political Science)

Senior Leadership Montgomery program - 2009

Gaithersburg Police Citizens Training

Montgomery County Citizens Police Academy – 2009

Montgomery College – Lifelong Learning Institute – Curriculum Development Committee