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**Applications Currently Being Accepted
for Salem Boards and Commissions**

(Thursday, April 28, 2011) – Salem, OR – Get involved with decisions in your City. The City of Salem is currently seeking applications for over 35 vacancies on 20 different boards and commissions; several vacancies are the result of term fulfillment as of June 2011. These boards and commissions advise the Salem City Council on various issues including, land use planning, tourism promotion, housing and urban development, human rights, and the public library.

“We encourage residents to make our City better by serving on our Boards, Commissions, and Committees. Their ideas and advice are crucial to having a well run city---one that takes its resident’s needs and wishes to heart,” said Salem Mayor, Anna Peterson.

To be considered for one of the current vacancies, individuals should have their application delivered to the City by Friday, May 13 at 5:00 p.m.

Prospective applicants can apply online at
www.cityofsalem.net/CityCouncil/BoardsAndCommissions/Pages/default.aspx

Or mail applications to:

ATTN: Linda Cate
City Manager’s Office
555 Liberty Street SE, Rm. 220
Salem, OR 97301

Board and Commission descriptions, including current members and membership requirements, are available online at www.cityofsalem.net/CityCouncil/BoardsAndCommissions/Pages/default.aspx.

A full list of vacancies, the number of vacancies for each Board/Commission, and any special member requirements:

- Board of Ethics (3 vacancies - resident of Salem)
- Citizen Budget Committee (2 vacancies - Ward 1 and Ward 2)
- Civil Service Commission (1 vacancy – U.S. Citizen and resident of Salem)

- Salem Cultural & Tourism Promotion Advisory Board (4 vacancies - resident or have a place of business in Salem)
- Downtown Advisory Board (1 vacancy - at-large position)
- Salem Housing Advisory Committee (2 vacancies - 1 Keizer representative and 1 representative receiving assistance from Salem Housing Authority)
- Housing & Urban Development Advisory Committee (5 vacancies - 1 Neighborhood Association representative, 1 Salem Housing Advisory Committee representative, and 3 at-large representatives)
- Human Rights & Relations Advisory Commission (4 vacancies - 3 at-large representatives and 1 student position)
- Salem Public Library Advisory Board (3 vacancies - at-large positions)
- North Gateway Redevelopment Advisory Board (3 vacancies - 2 business area representatives and 1 resident of the area)
- Social Service Advisory Board (2 vacancies - 1 Salem Chamber representative and 1 at-large representative)
- West Salem Redevelopment Advisory Board (6 vacancies – 2 residents of the West Salem (WS) area, 1 resident within the WS Urban Renewal district, 2 at-large positions and 1 industrial business position within the WS Urban Renewal district)

For further information, please contact Linda Cate at 503-588-6255 or lcate@cityofsalem.net.

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