

Applicant Information for City Council Vacancy

Office of the City Clerk

491 East Pioneer Avenue Homer, Alaska 99603 Phone: (907) 235-3130

Fax: (907) 235-3143

clerk@cityofhomer-ak.gov

The information provided on this form will provide the basic information to the Mayor and City Council regarding your appointment application. It is considered public and will be included in the City Council meeting packet for the meeting in which the interview(s) will take place.

Return all required forms and Letter of Intent (to be provided on a separate sheet of paper, preferably typed) to the City Clerk's Office, in original form, no later than Tuesday, August 29, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

Applicant Information
Full Name: Bradley John Parsons
Physical Address Where you Claim Residency: 136 w Fairview Are Home At
Mailing Address: 136 W Fair view
City: 10me State: AK Zip: 99603
Phone Number(s): (907) 435 - 7217
Email: bradley john Parcons C gmal. com
Are you a City Resident? The Do If yes, how long have you been a City resident? Sylans
How long have you been a resident of the South Peninsula Area? 3 Years
Political & Government Experience Elected and/or appointed positions held and the dates of service – List no more than three
1. City of florner ADA Advisory Board (2022-2024) 2. City of Ann Arbor Transportation Comission (2017-2021) 3.
Business & Professional Experience List no more than three
1. Independent hiving Center (2028-Current) 2. PEAC: Everyone (an Ride (2016-2021)
2. PEAC: Everyone (an Ride (2016 - 2021)
3.
Organizational Memberships List no more than three
1. Southern Vena Peninsula Transit Coalifin (2022-2024)
2. Homer Drandoun (2022-2023)
3. Board Menber: Walk Bike Washfenan & Common Cycle (2016-2021)

Bradley Parsons 136 W Fairview Ave

(907) 435-7217 :: bradleyjohnparsons@gmail.com

October 28, 2024

Dear Homer City Council,

I am submitting my name for your consideration to fill a recently vacated City Council seat created during our last election. I seek to be appointed to Council so I can continue to serve and represent members of our community in a yet more impactful way. As some of you already know, I have had the honor and the privilege to serve on the Homer ADA Advisory Board the last two years and have developed a deep connection to the people and place of Homer.

In the summer of 2012, family brought us to Homer to celebrate our son's first birthday. Surrounded by our Homer family, the natural beauty of Kachemak Bay, and the instant camaraderie felt with the people of Homer, I felt drawn to this place. At one point during that first visit I turned to my spouse and said she could drop out of graduate school and we should just figure out how to make it work. It took us many more years, but we're here now, and we're all in.

On regular Homer visits over the years, I spent hours at the old K-Bay Coffee watching the patterns of traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian. I got to know Homer long before we officially moved here; both the opportunities and the challenges. I've read all the plans and followed all the controversial topics. I feel connected to Homer in ways most 3-year residents might not. I feel I've been a part of this community for far longer.

My background is in public safety, public education, and in the nonprofit sector working with individuals with disabilities. It's an odd mix, I admit, but an odd mix that developed skills that I find profoundly useful in our Cosmic Hamlet by the Sea. I rely on those skills everyday in my work at the Independent Living Center. I've also spent the last two decades volunteering. I've served on multiple non-profit boards in both Iowa and Michigan. I had the privilege to serve a year with AmeriCorps. I served four years on the Ann Arbor Transportation Commission prior to moving to Homer. It has been an easy transition to join Homer's ADA Advisory Board, particularly with how welcoming and passionate the board members and City staff have been.

Joining Homer's City Council feels like a calling at this point. I have never sought public office, but now feels like the time. I am committed to this community, inspired by my Homer community members, and I feel that joining Council is the next step in supporting Homer to become the City it aspires to be. Thank you for your consideration.

Brade Parine 10/28/24

Bradley Parsons