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City Council chooses six to interview for vacant council seat

Interviews will be on Monday, Feb 3, at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers

RENTON, WA – The Renton City Council has chosen six Renton residents to interview to fill vacant seat #2 on the council. The council announced their choices at their regular Monday, Jan. 27 meeting.

The six are James Alberson, Angelina Benedetti, Wesley Bergquist, Jennifer Davis Hayes, Linda Smith and Maria Teresa Vasquez. Each of the six current councilmembers submitted one candidate.

The council will conduct the interviews during their Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday, Feb. 3, at 3:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the Council Chambers on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 1055 S. Grady Way. The meeting will be shown live on Channel 12 in Renton and streamed at rentonwa.gov/21.



Renton City Council members Valerie O'Halloran, Kim-Khánh Vãn, and Ruth Pérez (seated); Ryan McIrvine, Ed Prince and Randy Corman (standing).

Later that same night, at the regularly scheduled council meeting, the council may vote to appoint a candidate from the slate of candidates. Whomever is selected will then be sworn in by the city clerk at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

The city received 22 applications for the position, which was held by current Mayor Armondo Pavone.

City councilmembers will not engage in any outside discussions about the applicants prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting. All discussions about the qualifications of the applicants among the councilmembers will only be during council meetings which are open to the public.

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 104,700 (2019), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our [website](#), [news releases](#), or [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#) pages.

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