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Re: Application to represent District 2 on the Los Osos Community Advisory Council

Dear Los Osos Community Advisory Council Members,

The intent of this letter is to express my interest in running for one of the District 2 Council seats on the Los Osos Committee Advisory Council (LOCAC). Before describing why I am interested in serving on LOCAC, I will first introduce myself and my background.

I have been a resident and homeowner in Los Osos for four years. My wife and I moved to Los Osos from Santa Cruz where we had lived for three years. I grew up in Hawaii and lived there until I finished graduate school and moved to Santa Cruz. My wife and I have a 15-month-old son. I work for the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board as an Engineering Geologist in the Waste Discharge Requirement program where I oversee wastewater treatment facilities and on-site wastewater treatment systems in San Luis Obispo County. In addition, I'm responsible for oversight of all the groundwater recharge projects in the region, including two recycled water recharge projects in San Luis Obispo County. I currently serve on the Los Osos Community Services District's Utilities Advisory Committee (UAC). I've really enjoy serving on this committee and this experience has encouraged me to seek out additional community service.

I'm interested in serving on LOCAC primarily because I think service to one's community is important and valuable. Serving on LOCAC would provide an opportunity for me to help improve the community which also deepens my connection to the community. I would be happy to volunteer my time to help improve the community because I think this community is truly a gem. My wife and I both love the small-town nature of Los Osos, the quirky houses, and the natural beauty that surrounds the community. I would be honored to serve on LOCAC so that I could help maintain Los Osos as an incredible place to live.

Thank you for your consideration and please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James M. Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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