



APPLICATION TO FILL VACANT CITY COUNCIL POSITION

Notice

Applications submitted to Midway City become public records subject to disclosure under Utah Code §§ 63G-2-301 and 63G-2-210.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: Thomas Last Name: Wardle

Residential Address: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED] Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

POSITION SOUGHT

I hereby apply for appointment to the office of MIDWAY CITY COUNCIL MEMBER.

EXPLANATION OF PROCESS

The vacancy on the City Council will become effective on January 5, 2026. Under State Code Midway City shall have 30 days to fill any vacancies. A deadline of January 20, 2026, 5:00 p.m. is set for the submission of Applications. They must be submitted in person to the Midway City Recorder at 75 North 100 West, Midway.

On February 3, 2026, 6:00 p.m. in the Midway Community Center (160 West Main Street, Midway), the City will "in an open meeting, interview each individual whose name is submitted for consideration, and who meets the qualifications for office, regarding the individual's qualifications." A person is appointed by majority vote of the City Council.

A copy of Utah Code Ann. 20A-1-510 "Midterm vacancies in municipal offices" is attached that outlines the entirety of the appointment process.

AVAILABILITY

Do you understand that you must attend two council meetings per month, and additional committee meetings as required?

☒ YES ☐ NO

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Have you completed the attached conflicts of interest disclosure.

☒ YES ☐ NO

QUESTIONS

As part of your application please submit written responses to the following questions (Please attach your answers on a separate sheet):

1. What are the most significant issues facing Midway City and how do you propose to resolve them?
2. What is your vision for Midway City over the next 20 years?
3. What has the City done right and what needs improvement?
4. Have you ever run for elected office or been on a board/commission? If so, please describe. If not, please explain why you see now as the right time to get involved.

OATH AND AFFIRMATION

I, Thomas Wardle, being first duly sworn and under penalty of perjury, state that:

1. I am a registered voter of Midway City.
2. I have resided within Midway City for 12 consecutive months immediately preceding this application. ** See explanation #2*
3. I will maintain my principal residence within Midway City during my service in office.
4. I meet all statutory qualifications for municipal office.
5. I understand this appointment process is governed by Utah Code § 20A-1-510.
6. All statements in this application are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant: Thomas F. Ward

Subscribed and sworn before me this 20 day of January, 20 26.

Midway City Recorder: Brad Wilson

CERTIFICATION

I certify that his application is complete.

Signature: Brad Wilson Date: 1/20/26
Brad Wilson, City Recorder

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Candidate/Officeholder: Thomas Wardle

Office: City Council

1A: The name and address of each of the regulated officeholder's current employers and each of the regulated officeholder's employers during the preceding year.

- Current Employer(s)/Address(es):
None / Retired
- Previous Employer(s)/Address(es):
None / Retired

1B: For each employer described in Item 1A, a brief description of the employment, including the regulated officeholder's occupation, and, as applicable, job title.

- Current Employment:
N/A
- Previous Employment:
N/A

2A: For each entity in which the regulated officeholder is an owner or officer, or was an owner or officer during the preceding year, the name of the entity(ies).

None

2B: A brief description of the type of business or activity conducted by the entity(ies) described in Item 2A

N/A

2C: Regulated officeholder's position in the entity(ies) described in Item 2A

N/A

3A: For each individual from whom, or entity from which, the regulated officeholder has received \$5,000 or more in income during the preceding year the name of individual(s) or entity(ies).

CenExel Clinical Research

3B: A brief description of the type of business or activity conducted by the individual(s) or entity(ies) described in item 3A.

CenExel is a medical research organization that provides clinical trial support to the pharmaceutical industry.

4A: For each entity in which the regulated officeholder holds any stocks or bonds having a fair market value of \$5,000 or more as of this date, or during the preceding year, the name of the entity(ies) (excluding funds that are managed by a third party, including blind trusts, managed investment accounts, and mutual funds).

CenExel Clinical Research. As of July 1, 2025, I do not hold any stock in this company.

4B: A brief description of the type of business or activity conducted by the entity(ies) described in Item 4A.

Same as in 3B.

5A: For each entity not listed in 2A through 4B in which the regulated officeholder currently serves, or served in the preceding year, in a paid leadership capacity or in a paid or unpaid position on a board of directors, the name of the entity(ies) or organization(s)

Midway Playhouse - Advisory Board (unpaid, no financial interest)

5B: A brief description of the type of business or activity conducted by the entity(ies) or organization(s) described in Item 5A

Occasional advisory support to this non profit organization which produces theatrical plays utilizing local community children and adults.

5C: The type of position held by the regulated officeholder in the entity(ies) or organization(s) described in Item 5A.

Advisory - organization structure and financial advice.

6A (Optional): A description of any real property(ies) in which the regulated officeholder holds an ownership or other financial interest that the regulated officeholder believes may constitute a conflict of interest.

None.

6B (Optional): A description of the type of interest held by the regulated officeholder in the property(ies) described in Item 6A.

N/A

7A: The name of the regulated officeholder's spouse.

- Spouse's Name: *Laura Ward*

The name of each of the regulated officeholder's spouse's current employers and each of the regulated officeholder's spouse's employers during the preceding year, if the regulated officeholder believes the employment may constitute a conflict of interest.

- Spouse's Current Employer(s): *None.*
- Spouse's Previous Employer(s): *None*

7B: The name of any adult residing in the regulated officeholder's household who is not related to the officeholder by blood.

- Other Adults: *None.*

7C: For each adult described in Subsection 7B, a brief description of the adult's employment or occupation, if the regulated officeholder believes the adult's presence in the regulated officeholder's household may constitute a conflict of interest.

N/A

8A (Optional): A description of any other matter or interest that the regulated officeholder believes may constitute a conflict of interest. *None.*

Date: *January 18, 2026*

☒ I, the regulated officeholder or candidate, believe this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. (Check box)

☐ I am an at-risk government employee, and/or my spouse is an at-risk government employee as that term is defined in Subsection 63G-2-303(1)(a). I request that information relating to my employment, as well as my spouse's name and employment be redacted in accordance with 20A-11-1604(7)(a). (Check box)

Shawn S. White

Candidate/Officeholder's Signature

Privacy Notice:

The personal data collected in this form will be available to the public under 63G-2-301.

Any personal data redacted in accordance with 20A-11-1604(7)(a) is not considered a public record under 63G-2-301. This data will be used for administrative purposes and will not be displayed to the public. This information is required under 20A-11-1604. Violation of this section may result in a class B misdemeanor and a \$100 fine. The information, unless specified, will be publicly available on the disclosures and possibly other election-related websites. Personal data collected on the website will not be sold. The personal data will be included in the record series GRS 1911.

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Questions

#1. What are the most significant issues facing Midway City and how do you propose to solve them?

Managing growth is the most significant issue facing Midway. We are fortunate to live here because Midway is one of the most desirable places to live in Utah. This causes significant growth pressure and is not likely to dissipate in the foreseeable future. The Midway General Plan (2023), provides comprehensive guidance for managing growth. However, the implementation of the plan requires continued input from property owners/residents, city leaders, business owners and developers. As a City Council member, I will be meticulous in making sure that all stakeholders are well-represented and will use the general plan as a guidance document. Specific high priority topics include:

- preservation of open space, balanced against property owner rights,
- review and potentially amend the Transient Resident Overlay District (TROD),
- sustainable water and irrigation use,
- infrastructure development to proactively address growth,
- budget management which carefully and prudently utilizes tax revenue, general obligation bonds, and a focus on growth of a reserve fund.

#2. What is your vision for Midway City over the next 20 years?

My vision for Midway is based on the reasons that I chose to live here in the first place. I'm confident that that this aligns with many/most of Midway residents. My goal is to preserve these foundational reasons, which include:

- maintaining strong family values, a great sense of community and a strong educational system,
- preservation and access to a variety of world-class outdoor activities (hiking/walking, skiing, fishing, cycling, lakes, forests, etc.),
- historic preservation of Swiss heritage and preservation of scenery,
- providing opportunities for new families/residents to live in Midway.

#3. What has the City done right and what needs improvement?

The City has developed and implemented a good General Plan and city leaders have done an admirable job implementing it. One particular focus would be to manage the city budget to increase the city's reserve fund.

#4. Have you ever run for elected office or been on a board commission. If so, please describe. If not, please explain why you see now as the right time to get involved.

I have never run for elected office. I currently serve as an alternate on Midway City Vision Architecture Committee. I am now retired from full-time work in executive management positions (CEO/COO) of multinational medical research organizations. I now have the time to provide significant service to our community.

Oath and Affirmation

Item #2.

I have been a resident of Midway City since 2012. I have resided in Midway City for 3 of the preceding 12 months. For the other 9 months, I resided temporarily in Wasatch County while my new residence in Midway was under construction and completed (536 N Waters Edge Road).

During the preceding 12 months:

1. My primary address was 536 N. Waters Edge Road.
2. I have been a tax paying resident of Midway.
3. I have been a registered voter in Midway.
4. I participated extensively in the Midway community by patronizing local businesses, attending local religious services, serving as a manager of the Ham and Swiss booth during 2025 Swiss Days, and serving as an alternate member of the Midway City Vision Architectural Committee.