

**CITY OF YAKIMA**  
**CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 POSITION**  
**FUTURE VACANCY**  
**APPLICATION**

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To be eligible, applicants must live within District 2 of the Yakima city limits and be registered to vote.

The person appointed to the City Council District 2 position that will become vacant in the near future will serve through December 31, 2015. In order to continue as a City Council member beyond that date, the individual appointed to this position must be willing to file for election with the Yakima County Auditor in 2015 and be elected by the voters of Yakima for the new four-year term of office beginning January 1, 2016.

We appreciate your interest in serving your City in this capacity. Please complete this brief form to help provide sufficient information to the City Council in making this appointment. Completed applications must be received by the Yakima City Clerk's office no later than noon (12:00 pm) on Tuesday, December 31 in order to be considered.

**A. Please Print Clearly:**

NAME: (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) PATRICIA BYERS

HOME ADDRESS: 1530 SUNCREST WAY YAKIMA 98902  
Number Street Apt City Zip Code

PHONE NUMBERS: 509-457-0753 [REDACTED]  
Home Business Other (Specify)

E-MAIL: patbyers907@msn.com FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN YAKIMA? 35 years - since November 1978

B. Available for day meetings:  Available for evening meetings:

C. Please describe (in 200 words or less) your reasons for seeking a position on the Yakima City Council, and why you believe you can represent the citizens of Yakima as a Council member.

Please see attached paragraph.

RCW 42.56.250 Employment and Licensing. The following employment and licensing information is exempt from public inspection and copying under this chapter: (2) All applications for public employment, including the names of applicants, resumes, and other related materials submitted with respect to an applicant;

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Business  
phone

D. Please give any training or experience that you possess which would be beneficial to the position you are seeking:

Mental Health Professional for almost 21 years - MS, LMHC  
Management training + experience as 14 year YMCA professional.  
Taught Life Skills + Customer Service classes for WorkFirst program  
as WCC employee for 2 years.  
Multiple public speaking opportunities over my years here.

E. Have you ever served as a city council member or as a member of a city board or commission? If so, please list city, state and dates of service:

Currently serving on Downtown Master Plan Implementation  
Committee for City of Yakima. Began serving  
December 2013.

F. Please furnish two references who can speak to your qualifications for the desired appointment:

NAME: DAVE EDLER, SR. PASTOR, YAKIMA FOURSQUARE CHURCH  
ADDRESS: 1504 S. 34<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE YAKIMA WA 98902  
Zip Code

DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER: 509-969-6453

NAME: Verlynn Best, CEO Yakima Chamber of Commerce  
ADDRESS: 7204 Crown Crest Avenue Yakima WA 98903  
Zip Code

DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER: 509-965-1579 (Hm) 509-248-2021 (wk)

G. If you have a resume (2-pages max.), please feel free to attach it to this application.

The Yakima City Council will review your application and may desire to conduct an interview.

This application is subject to public disclosure. Your residential address and residential telephone number may be exempt unless you authorize disclosure.

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Authorize full disclosure: Yes  No

Your Signature: *Rafaela Byers* Date: 12-20-2013

Pursuant to RCW 42.17.240, the person appointed to the vacant Council position must within two weeks of being appointed file with the Public Disclosure Commission ("PDC") a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (PDC Form F-1); as well as a Supplement page (PDC Form F-1 Supplement), if applicable. More information on all the Public Disclosure Commission requirements is available from the PDC at its toll free number of 1-877-601-2828 or on the PDC's website at [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)

Please return the completed form to the Yakima City Clerk, 129 North 2nd Street, Yakima, WA, 98901. If you have any questions, please call Communications & Public Affairs Director Randy Beehler at 901-1142.

A copy of this form may be downloaded from the City of Yakima website at: <http://www.yakimawa.gov>.

As a citizen of Yakima since 1978, I have lived the majority of my adult life in this community. Working for the YMCA, I quickly became immersed in nonprofit work and volunteerism. That has been the path of my history here. What a wonderful journey it has been! I know Yakima to be a generous community with a rich history and a bright future. My career has allowed me to work in the downtown Yakima district for 30 years. I have seen it vibrant, in decline, and rising again in a renaissance focus on attractiveness, safety, business development, community involvement opportunity, and so much more. Progress comes only with hard work, honest evaluation, and clear vision. This will take an ongoing collaboration of government, citizens, service and nonprofit organizations, public service employees, and the private business sector. I desire to be a part of the ongoing effort to serve and direct our bountiful community not just for the present, but for future generations. Along with my varied employment and my volunteer history, the two strengths that will allow me to serve well are "approachability" and "active and objective listening."

**PATRICIA E. BYERS, MS, NCP, LMHC**  
6 South Second Street, Suite 907  
Yakima, WA 98901

**December 2013**

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***Community Service Experience***

- Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce, Volunteer of the Year 2013
- Chamber Ambassador since 2011
- Downtown Master Plan Implementation Committee, City of Yakima 12/2013
- Yakima Schools Foundation Board Member 2009 – present
- Currently Vice President
  - Chaired AppleFEST fundraising event Fall 2013
  - Chaired Celebrate Our Youth event Spring 2012, 2013
- Yakima Foursquare Church, Member 1999 – present
- Adult Education Teacher and leadership development since 2000
  - Serve on annual One Day Serve events for community
  - Serve with various ministries offered through Yakima Foursquare
- Short Term Missions
- Ireland, Kenya and Uganda October & November 1999
  - Ireland, Scotland, South Africa October & November 2001
  - Ireland, South Africa, Uganda July & October 2003
  - Ireland October 2004
  - Bulgaria November 2005
- Other Service opportunities from leadership to cleaning 1979 - present
- YMCA
  - Yakima Covenant Church
  - Southeast Community Center
  - Yakima Healing & Equipping Center
  - Haven House
  - Memorial Hospital
  - Worldcast Ministries

***Educational History***

Graduate Degree: Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA MS Psychology 1993

***Employment History***

**Mental Health Therapist**

Patricia Byers, MS, NCP, LMHC 2002 - present  
6 South Second Street, #907  
Yakima, WA 98901

**Life Skills-Customer Service Instructor**

Yakima Valley Community College 2009-2011  
16<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Nob Hill Blvd  
Yakima, WA 98902

Clinical Director 1999 - 2002  
Personal Parenting and Assessment Services, Inc.  
8 South 1st Avenue, suite D  
Yakima, WA 98902

Parent Educator/Mental Health Therapist 1995-1999  
Personal Parenting and Assessment Services, Inc.  
P O Box 681 - 152  
Yakima, WA 98907

Mental Health Counselor 1993 - 1995  
Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital, I North  
2811 Tieton Drive  
Yakima, WA 98902

***Personal Assets***

*Good verbal & written communication skills*      *Likeable*      *Caring*

*Love to laugh*      *Make it a point to get along well with others*

*Proven leadership skills*      *Organized*      *Always follow through*