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**Fire Commissioner Vacancy for East County Fire and Rescue**

Camas, Wash. – East County Fire & Rescue is seeking residents of the Fire District to fill a vacant Commissioner Seat (Position 1) on the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Commissioners must meet the following minimum requirements to hold office:

1. U.S. Citizen.
2. 18 years old or older.
3. Registered voter residing in the District for at least 30 days.
4. No Felony Convictions unless the individual has had his or her civil rights restored subsequent to the conviction.
5. No contractual conflict of interest with the District, i.e., a contractual relationship with the District that exceeds \$1,500 per month in compensation.

Interested persons are encouraged to submit a letter of interest to the Fire District by 3 PM on July 13, 2018. This letter should discuss the candidate's knowledge of the Fire District, their vision for the Fire District, and any public service experience they have had. The Board of Commissioners will interview all qualified candidates at the July 17 Regular Board Meeting. The selected appointee will take office effective August 7, 2018. The position will be filled, via an election, during the 2019 General Election to fill the remaining four years of the six-year term.

Fire Commissioners are elected to set policy, oversee the budget, and supervise the Fire Chief. Previous experience or education in business, finance, supervision, policy development or management would be helpful. While helpful, knowledge of firefighting is not a requirement—Commissioners supervise the 'business' aspects of providing fire and EMS service to the Community.

Letters of interest can be mailed to or dropped off at the ECFR Fern Prairie Fire Station, 600 NE 267<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Camas, WA 98607. Office hours are M-F, 8 AM to 4 PM. Letters of interest must be received, at the Fire District Office, by 3 PM on July 13, 2018. You can direct questions to Board Chair Mike Taggart at [mtaggart@ecfr.us](mailto:mtaggart@ecfr.us); or to Deputy Fire Chief Michael Carnes at 360.834.4908 or [mcarnes@ecfr.us](mailto:mcarnes@ecfr.us).

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*East County Fire and Rescue (ECFR) serves 10,000 people over 60 square miles in the unincorporated areas of Vancouver, Camas and Washougal. The fire district operates under a balanced budget and has passed all its independent audits by the state. The level of service provided by ECFR has improved the community's insurance rating, which reduced premiums for home and business owners. More information on East County Fire and Rescue can be found on its web site [www.ecfr.us](http://www.ecfr.us).*