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APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR HISTORIC COMMISSION

The City is currently accepting applications to fill three open positions on the Historic Commission. The deadline to apply is 12 p.m. on March 22, 2011. Interested applicants are encouraged to attend the March 22, 2011 Historic Commission meeting. Interviews will be conducted by the City Council at the April 25, 2011 work session. Confirmation of the chosen candidate will be at the City Council public hearing on May 2, 2011.

Copies of the application form are available at the City Manager's Office in City Hall, 225 Fifth Street. Electronic copies of the application may be requested by contacting Molly Markarian at 541-726-4611 or at mmarkarian@ci.springfield.or.us.

Background:

The qualifications for membership on the Historic Commission include being appointees of Willamalane Park & Recreation District or Springfield School District #19; or individuals who meet professional qualifications in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, archeology, or related fields who live within the Metropolitan Area General Plan boundaries; or residents, electors, or property owners within Springfield.

The Springfield Historic Commission is appointed by the City Council and serves to advance the identification, protection, preservation, education, and interpretation of Springfield's cultural heritage and history. As such, the Commission organizes projects and programs to encourage stewardship of the community's historic assets. The Commission also reviews development and restoration requests within the Washburne Historic District and for other Springfield historic resources. Historic Commission meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month starting at 5:30pm in the Jesse Main Room in City Hall.

The candidates appointed to these positions are eligible to serve up to two, four-year terms.

For more information, contact Molly Markarian at 726-4611 or at mmarkarian@ci.springfield.or.us.