



# CITY COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Original Applications must be received by the City Clerk  
By NOON Thursday, January 3, 2019 OR Postmarked by December 31, 2018  
Applications received after this time will not be accepted or considered

100 Civic Center Plaza Lompoc, CA 93436 – Ph: (805) 875-8241

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please type or print in ink this application in full. For more complete information or assistance, please contact the City Clerk's Department. All applicants must be residents and registered voters within the City of Lompoc. Appointed applicants must file a Statement of Economic Interest Form pursuant to Fair Political Practices regulations.

<b>NAME:</b> Bridge Stephen <small>Last First Middle</small>	<b>ARE YOU 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>ADDRESS:</b> [Redacted] Lompoc 93436 <small>Number Street City Zip</small>	<b>ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If no, Explain _____ (optional).
<b>TELEPHONE:</b> Hm (805 ) [Redacted] Wk (805 ) [Redacted] <b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b> [Redacted]	<b>Are you related to any City Employee or City Official?</b> (See Attachment A for definition of relative), If yes, please explain and list the department in which they are employed: No _____ <b>City of Lompoc employees are not eligible for appointment.</b>

**CURRENT OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER:** Retired / Self

**EDUCATION (Highest Grade Completed):** Masters of Science Systems Management USC

**LICENSES OR SPECIAL CERTIFICATES HELD:** Licensed Professional Engineer State of California

**APPLICANT QUESTIONS:** The following questions must be answered for consideration of appointment. For each question please limit answers to no more than the attached lined pages.

1. What will you bring to the dais that you feel is currently missing?
2. Are there any conflicts of interest that the public should be made aware of at this time?
3. What is your experience working with, or for, a government body (explain how it works differently than a business or non-profit.)?
4. Explain in detail your experience in analyzing a budget. (size, frequency, your role, etc).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Explain the reason(s) you desire to be appointed. Describe your relevant education, experience, training, volunteer activities, community organization membership, or personal interests that you think are relevant to this position. Resume/Bio may be attached. Please limit answers to no more than the attached lined page.

I declare under penalty of perjury that all statements in this application and attachment, if any, are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant Stephen Bridge Dated 1/3/19 <sup>SB</sup> 2019

**FOR USE BY CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT:** (Date Stamp) **RECEIVED**

Application Received by: Shannon

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Applicant Question No. 1 - **What will you bring to the dais that you feel is currently missing?**

I have extensive engineering, small business, large business and government experience. As a registered professional engineer, I will be able to understand complex development, technical, and financial issues. In addition, my 20+ years working on VAFB in the aerospace field, will allow me to engage and support a significant partner and city neighbor, Vandenberg AFB.

During my career I have worked in senior management roles across a large spectrum of businesses from very large (Lockheed NASA & Martin Marietta) Mid size (Frontier Technology, bd Systems) and small (Elements, Local Copies). This will allow a complete understanding of business issues across the entire business spectrum.

Applicant Question No. 2 - **Are there any conflicts of interest that the public should be made aware of at this time?**

I serve on multiple social or nonprofit organizations in the community such as the Lompoc Valley Flower Festival Foundation. After selection I will meet with the city attorney and will seek and follow his advice on whether I shall resign from the organization, or simply recuse myself on topics related to those organizations. Also, I would resign from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Applicant Question No. 3 – **What is your experience working with, or for, a government body? (explain how it works differently than a business or non-profit.)**

My experience with, or for, a government body spans two different types of organizations. First are city types. I have served on the Lompoc Economic development committee and the Lompoc Parks and Recreation Commission. These organizational entities require careful management of consensus and a merging of diverse political perspectives. It is further complicated by any progress requiring government staff's buy in and involvement which can be further complicated with union implications. The second type of organization is federal. This type of organization is more bureaucratic with direction coming from senior management through policy direction. Most significant progress is through individuals demonstrating leadership within the parameters of the established policies and driving consensus through scientific or technical expertise.

The most significant difference between government agencies and private business is the requirement for consensus building either through political acumen or demonstrated expertise. While business acumen in private business is still a valuable asset, it is generally one or a small group that established direction and can autocratically drive progress.

Applicant Question No. 4 – **Explain in detail your experience in analyzing a budget (size, frequency, your role, etc).**

I have extensive financial and budget experience. During my occupations at VAFB we created a new company called Lockheed Space Operations Services. My effort focused on establishing a tri-service accounting and scheduling system from scratch. This included budget, schedule and accounting for a 100-million-dollar organization. We achieved tri-service certification in under one year, the fastest implementation at that time.

During my contract management at bd Systems and Frontier Technology, prior to becoming the CEO I was the CFO. This required the creation and management of commercial budgets ranging from 5 million to 15 Million.

As part of my consulting practice, I would regularly, take positions as the CFO of my various clients. In virtually every engagement, the initial focus would be to create a budget to guide the turn around or growth of the businesses. This experience has honed my skills in multiple accounting packages, and expertise in analyzing budgets from project, to departments, to entire organizations.

**Additional Information – Explain the reason(s) you desire to be appointed. Describe your relevant education, experience, training, volunteer activities, community organization membership, or personal interests that you think are relevant to this position. Resume/Bio may be attached. Please limit answers to no more than the lined area below.**

I have been blessed to live the last 30 plus years in Lompoc. I have children, grandchildren and great grandchildren that live here. One of my biggest disappointments is when one of these members of my family leave because they feel Lompoc fails in some way to meet their needs.

Now at this point in my life I want to focus on helping our community strive to improve and where possible create better opportunities for more children to stay in our community.

Over the years I have volunteered for nonprofits (YMCA, Girls Inc. CASA, etc.) and I have worked on community elements (EDC, Parks and Recreation Commission, California Space Association, Lompoc Flower Festival Association Foundation, etc.).

With the city facing difficult budget and resulting management issues, I feel that at this point my business and engineering background and expertise will be of value.

This convergence of city need, and my desire to give back has created what I believe to be the right time for me to contribute and provide a reasonable value proposition for the community.

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## STEVE BRIDGE PE

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### Profile

- Professional Engineer (PE) State of California
- 35 Year resident of Lompoc CA.
- Own Home in Lompoc and married for 30 years to Gloria (Valla) who was born in Lompoc
- 5 Children, 8 Grandchildren, 3 Great Grandchildren several living in Lompoc
- Principle in 6 businesses, 4 in Lompoc

### Career

- 25 Years on VAFB
- 15 Years as CEO, CFO, or Director in high tech companies. Grew them from \$100K to \$5 to \$15 Million in revenue
- Retired in 2001 and began consulting firm Bridge Business and Engineering Services
- Specialize in helping companies grow or turn around. Some examples:
  - Consulting Services to VAFB NASA
  - Consulting Services to DoE, for Homeland Security project
  - Software company grew to 5 Million and sold to Public corporation
  - Network company turned around and company still in existence
  - Crate Company turned around and company still in existence.
  - Online Marketing company, created and sold to a private company in SLO.

### EDUCATION / TRAINING / OTHER

- Commission Member Lompoc Parks and Recreation Commission
- BoD Certain Sparks Music Foundation
- BoD Flower Festival Foundation
- Past BoD of YMCA
- Dr. W. Edward Deming Advance TQM Methods
- Continuous Process Improvement Training
- M.S., Systems Management: University Southern California
- Lockheed Institute of Senior Management
- Registered as Professional Mechanical Engineer State of California
- B. S. Civil Engineering Chico State University Chico, CA
- USAF Computer Operations: Honorable Discharge
- Security Clearance Secret and Above. (SBI 6/86)
- Member of Lompoc EDC (~2005)