WHY I'M RUNNING FOR MIDWAY CITY COUNCIL

My name is Whitney Peterson. I'm running for Midway City Council and would like your support.

The reason I'm running is because Midway is at a crossroads. You may have seen the seemingly uncontrolled and haphazard growth in nearby cities. You may have been perplexed at the City Council's decision to vote against bringing an art's center to Midway at zero cost to taxpayers that would greatly benefit both the citizenry and businesses alike. You may have been unhappy with the decision to put unsightly above-ground power lines directly through Midway. These things result from lack of vision, bad policy choices and a failure to appreciate the long-term effects of current day decisions.

In order to avoid the irrevocable alteration of Midway's unique character, good decision-making processes and procedures need to be followed where all the relevant information is brought to bear and careful, thoughtful analysis is employed. For my entire career I have been involved in high-stakes decision making where the decision-making process itself was the difference between thriving and dying. I hope to bring that same careful, reasoned decision-making process to City Council deliberations.

As a result, my candidacy is not so much about bumper sticker slogans or buzz words (although I do support open space, trails, smart and careful growth, fostering a friendly business environment, economic prudence, eliminating self- and special-interest decision making, and bringing people together to experience culture, arts, education and entertainment) rather, my candidacy is about the decision-making process itself – taking the time to gather all the relevant data, analyzing the pros and cons, understanding the long-term consequences and then making good, reasoned decisions that will benefit Midway not only today, but also 50 years from now. It is about making the right decisions for Midway.

Thank you for your consideration.