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Dear CCEC,

Please accept this email as my interest in the vacant District 1 aldermanic seat.

This is very last minute, because I thought one of my neighbors applying but found out at 3:30 pm that they did not apply. So forgive the informal and rushed format.

Applications must include:

- Name
 - David Mays
- Address
 - [REDACTED]
- Telephone number (Home/Mobile/Work)
 - [REDACTED] Mobile
 - [REDACTED] Work
- E-mail address
 - [REDACTED]
- A biographical or professional resume that includes education, work, neighborhood, and civic experience
 - **Education**
 - Madison public schools K-12, graduated from James Madison Memorial High school - 1984
 - Bachelor of Art degree in Political Science University of Wisconsin-Madison 1988
 - Professional real estate designations & training
 - **Work experience**
 - 1995 - present - Broker Associate with First Weber Realtors
 - Hold a Brokers License in the State of Wisconsin
 - Professional designations:
 - Accredited Buyer's Representative (ABR)

- Certified Residential Specialist (CRS)
 - Graduate of Realtors Institute (GRI)
- **Neighborhood experience**
 - Past President PTO at Olson Elementary
 - Former soccer coach with Magic Soccer and Madison 56ers
 - Former Assistant Scout Master with Boy Scout Troop 140 (earned Eagle Scout award in 1984)
- **Civic experience**
 - Volunteered in the past for MOMs, Second Harvest, CareNet, Road Home, Adopt a Highway
- **A statement on why you wish to serve**
 - I believe every citizen should participate in the public service during their lifetime. I have never held public office but feel this is an opportunity to serve and make a difference. I have grown up in Madison and I have lived in my house in Hawks Landing neighborhood since 2002. I have seen more changes that probably most. My district is the far west side and has seen tremendous growth and continues to experience growth as the last remaining open farmland is developed. Traffic congestion is increasing, particularly with all the EPIC workers driving through our neighborhood, and I would like to work with the stakeholders to allow smart growth focusing on affordable housing. We have enough apartment buildings and large homes, but lack the "missing middle" which are more condominiums that due to scale can be affordable. We have a crisis of affordable housing and I address that every day in my work as a Realtor
- **A statement of what you wish to accomplish**
 - I would like to address the rising costs that Madisonians experience, due to rising property taxes and fees. My 91 year old mother lives at home and the taxes and costs she incurs just living there is a struggle and could soon force her out of her home.
 - Crime is an issue that needs a better solution. I went to high school with several of MPD and the DA. My daughter did an internship with the MPD last summer and was impressed with the character of the officers she worked with but saw first hand, they are underfunded and understaffed. I would agree. Getting body cameras would be a huge priority for me
 - We need to take care of the beauty that this city has to offer. Clean streets, clean lakes
- **A statement on whether you plan to run for alder in the Spring 2027 election**
 - I would plan to continue to serve and run for this seat in Spring of 2027, but I am also in favor of term limits, so I would not want to remain past my usefulness and would want to encourage others to also serve

I apologize for getting this to you under the wire, but I thank you for your consideration and I am open to providing more information and answering questions. I'm sure I left out a lot that I would have like to say.

Sincerely,
David Mays



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