

**CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT**

I, the undersigned, being a qualified voter under the laws and constitution of the State of Missouri and the Charter and ordinances of the City of Lee's Summit, counties of Jackson and Cass, State of Missouri, do hereby announce and declare myself a candidate to fill a vacancy for:

COUNCILMEMBER - DISTRICT 4

for a term to expire April 2026.

Per State Law and City Charter provisions, I do solemnly swear that:

1. I am a qualified voter in the State of Missouri;
2. I have been a resident of the city for two years next preceding appointment and a qualified voter;
3. I shall remain a resident of my district and a qualified voter;
4. I have been a resident of my district for six months next preceding appointment;
5. I am not in arrears for any unpaid City taxes or municipal user fees; and,
6. I am not in forfeiture or defalcation in office.

DATE OF BIRTH: [REDACTED]

SIGNED: _____

(PRINTED): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of January, 2025.

Leatrice Foster Aram
City Clerk
City of Lee's Summit

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The Candidate Application from CityofLS.net was submitted.

Name: Nyauna Cravens

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How long have you been a resident of District 4: 13

Years as a Lee's Summit resident: 19

What compelled you to run for Lee's Summit City Council?

Running for City Council is a meaningful way to help shape the future of my community. It also allows me to advocate for issues the community care about and help ensure residents have a voice in local government. I am excited about all the new development opportunities the city is embarking on and would love to share a fresh perspective and help with innovative ideas.

What are the three top issues/concerns you have as a candidate for City Council and why?

1. Public Safety and Community Well-Being- With the city expanding, resources are needed to effectively address crime and emergency services.
2. Representation of community needs and priorities- Many residents feel disconnected from government.
3. Diversity of ideas and leadership- Cities need fresh perspectives and leaders with innovative ideas.

The City Council will have the opportunity to play a key role in the City's major economic development projects. What are your thoughts on the incentive policies that have been adopted?

Helping businesses by collaborating with the LSEDC to provide information on available incentives and how to navigate the application process will go far in streamlining the development process. Also there is huge value in aligning with state level incentives to ensure the city is taking advantage of various tax credits and financial incentives.

As a potential elected official, what policies would you support to encourage new investments to increase our current commercial base?

Workforce Development and Talent Attraction. Working with schools, and colleges to develop job training programs aligned with local needs.

Attainable housing is not only an issue facing Lee's Summit but regionally as well. How should the City of Lee's Summit address this growing issue?

By addressing the increasing cost of housing by revising zoning policies to allow for more diverse housing options.

What steps should Lee's Summit take to prepare for the 2026 World Cup properly?

Infrastructure and transportation Enhancements. Collaborate with regional transit authorities to improve transportation links between Lee's Summit and Kansas City. Consider upgrade development at the local airport.

Cultural Events and Fan Zones. Organize local events, festivals and fan zones to attract visitors.

What type of community engagement, organizations, or public service positions have you been part of or been involved in during the last five years?

Volunteering at various schools to support literacy

Involvement in foundations to support local small businesses

Teen co lead in Jack and Jill of America supporting college and career advancement with local teens

Yearly partnership with Keep America Beautiful

Yearly toy and food drive organizer

Discuss the role of the City's Strategic Plan and Comprehensive Plan in the City Council's decision-making process and how you would incorporate these documents into your thinking. All of the decision that the council makes should be in line with the goal and standards set forth in the City's Strategic and Comprehensive Plan. My thought process would be to always lead with an understanding of such plans in all decision making efforts. This will ensure we are alway moving in the right direction of the goal of safety and development for our growing city.

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