

To: Scappoose City Council
From: Staff signed below
Date: August 19, 2021
Subject: Letter of Support for Alexandra Rains

Dear Mayor and Council,

Alex Rains has served the Scappoose community for the better part of the last six years – as an intern, an assistant, and our Interim City Manager. In each of her roles with the City, Alex has demonstrated leadership, professionalism, and a commitment to public service in local government. Alex’s achievements during her tenure as a City of Scappoose employee are numerous, whether it be advancing the City Council’s economic development goals by managing the establishment of an urban renewal district, or the variety of grant funding opportunities she has helped to secure for improving Scappoose. Many of us on City staff have had the pleasure of working with Alex through these endeavors to ensure that Scappoose is equipped for building the future of the community.

Alex’s career with the City extends back to her graduate education, where she began her professional career in local government. During her years of service, Alex has developed the knowledge, skills, and leadership aptitude necessary to effectively support her colleagues in fulfilling the City’s goals and objectives. Over the past year of global crises, which have strained our regional institutions and communities, Alex’s leadership has guided staff through both old and new challenges. To address these challenges, Alex has facilitated collaboration between City Council, staff, community members, and partner organizations.

Among the challenges, Alex and her staff have worked to identify and pursue new opportunities, from grant programs for local businesses and public infrastructure, to supporting the centennial of the City’s incorporation. Alex is a team-oriented professional who works exceedingly well with our team to rise to the challenges and opportunities we face. Her excellent rapport with staff, collaborative nature, and acute awareness of the key issues faced by staff makes Alex an ideal candidate for City Manager, one who is uniquely positioned to continue effectively leading our team.

Please accept this letter of support for Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains on behalf of the City staff members signed below.

Respectfully,








