



February 1, 2021

Mike Quinn Selected as Town's Mayor

At the January 4 Town Council meeting, the Council unanimously selected Councilmember Mike Quinn to serve as Mayor, following the retirement of former Mayor Carla Nichols. "I am honored that my colleagues have expressed their faith in me to continue the prudent leadership of the Town," he said. Mayor Quinn has long been an active member of the community, having served three terms on the Town Council.

Mike grew up locally and attended Blanchet High School and Seattle Pacific University, majoring in Finance. He met his wife of 35 years at Blanchet and has 4 grown daughters. In his spare time, Mike enjoys outdoor activities including golfing, skiing, and hiking. Additionally, he has a passion for bee keeping – keeping several hives locally.

Mayor Quinn recently retired after a 25-year career at Microsoft Corporation, having held various positions across the company in Worldwide Sales Leadership, Global Supply Chain Operations, Strategic Planning, and Finance roles. Most recently, Mike served as Vice President of Sales, leading and managing one of Microsoft's top Global Customers. Over the years he has had key international assignments, including Dublin, Ireland and Shenzhen, China. Prior to Microsoft, Mike held various financial and leadership roles across several Biotechnology and Health Care related companies located in Washington, California, and Texas.

Mike currently serves as a trustee on the board of Seattle Pacific University ("SPU") and as a board member for Trident Seafoods. He also works with a local startup and mentors business school graduating seniors at SPU.

Mayor Quinn will serve until the certification of the next general election in November 2021, at which point the winner of the election will serve through December 31, 2021, plus an additional four-year term.

Council Accepting Applications to Fill Council Opening

Mayor Quinn's appointment as Mayor leaves a vacancy on the Council. Anyone interested in applying for the vacant Council position must submit a letter of interest to the Town Council. In addition to the letter of interest, applicants may submit written responses to two of the questions below.

- Why do you want to serve on the Town Council?
- What experiences, talents or skills would you bring to the Council and the community that you would like to highlight?
- What do you feel are the top two issues that the Town is facing today?
- Provide an example of a time when you had to support a decision that you may not have agreed with and how did you deal with the circumstance?

Written responses are entirely optional. If you chose to submit a written response, please limit your response to no more than two of the questions and no more than one page.

All letters of interest and written responses are due by February 22, 2021.

Please email your submission to heidi@townofwoodway.com.

The Council will conduct oral interviews at 6 p.m. during the Council's March 1 meeting, which will be held online via a publicly accessible video conference. The interviews will be conducted in alphabetical order by last name. Please be prepared to discuss any of the above questions, in addition to the following question:

- Town Council actions or decisions are not always popular with residents. How would you handle a phone call from a resident who is angry with the decision made?

Characteristics that Council may be looking for in an applicant include:

- Good fit with existing Councilmembers & Town staff
- Interest in learning about new issues
- Fiscal stewardship
- Strategic thinker
- Sense of community
- Sensitive to Woodway's place/standing in Snohomish County
- Aware of "grey areas," complexities of issues

If you are interested in serving your community, submit your letter of interest and optional written responses to heidi@townofwoodway.com no later than February 22, 2021. You can find information on how to view or participate in the meeting on the Town's web calendar, at <https://www.townofwoodway.com/calendar.php>.