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CANDIDATE REGISTRATION VERIFICATION

Registrar of Voters Fax Number: (209) 525-5802

COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 5

My name is: Stephanie Burnside
(Please Print)

I reside at: 3305 Keswick Lane
(Physical Address)

Modesto
(City)

Stephanie Burnside
(Candidate Signature)

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City of Modesto (City Clerk) Fax Number: (209) 571-5152

District #: City of Modesto, City Council - Dist 5

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In District: # 5 Date of last registration 11-22-02

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APPLICATION FOR CITY COUNCIL

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FILING PERIOD: September 7, 2010 – September 23, 2010

City of Modesto
1010 10th Street, Modesto, CA 95354
P.O. Box 642, Modesto, CA 95353
(209) 577-5200

Submittal Requirements (*Completed applications must contain the following items):

- Completed, signed Application
- Completed Supplemental Questionnaire (attached)
- Resume (Optional)
- City of Modesto Candidate Registration Verification

(*All documents are public and will be posted on the City of Modesto internet)

Information Sheet (Please Print)

NAME: Burnside, Stephanie Ann
(Last) (First) (Middle)

ARE YOU A RESIDENT OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 IN THE CITY OF MODESTO? (See Council District Map and Locator Map on City of Modesto website at <http://www.modestofogov.com/council/districts>)

YES NO

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 5? 6 years

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER WITHIN THE CITY OF MODESTO? YES NO

(If you have questions about your registration status, please contact the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters, at (209) 525-5300)

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN REGISTERED TO VOTE? over 12 years

ADDRESS: 3205 Keswick Lane Modesto 95350

EMAIL: Stephanie@burnsidebodyshop.com

BUSINESS PHONE: (209) 571-1850 HOME PHONE: (209) 578 4161

OCCUPATION: Self employed

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Burnside Body Shop

EDUCATION: Associate Degree in Liberal Studies and continuing education for Bachelor's Degree (3 units remain)

FIELD OF SPECIALTY: Organizational Leadership

AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST: _____

ORGANIZATIONS: Modesto Rotary, Modesto Chamber of Commerce, PTA, (Parent Teacher club), NFPs and California Autobody Association

ELECTED OFFICES HELD: None to date

COMMUNITY WORK: American Cancer Society, Modesto Rotary, Habitat for Humanity, Leadership Modesto, and women's town.

(Attach Additional Sheets as necessary)

I, the undersigned, am sincerely interested in serving as an (Interim) District 5 Councilmember for the City of Modesto, and, if appointed, I will be available for evening and other meetings as may be required for the Council.

Stephanie Borsari 9/23/10
(Signed) (Date)

RETURN TO: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, P.O. Box 642, Modesto, CA 95353 or by e-mail: slopez@modestogov.com

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Date Received: 9/23/10 By: x Stephanie Lopez

Interview Date: _____

CITY OF MODESTO
CITY COUNCIL
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire will assist the City Council in assessing your qualifications and experience for the City Council vacancy.

Please print the answers to these questions on plain paper and return with your application and resume (optional) to:

City of Modesto
City Clerk's Office
P.O. Box 642
Modesto, CA 95353

or by e-mail to: slopez@modestogov.com

*Please see
attached
paperwork for
answers*

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1. Please explain your two most important reasons for wanting to serve on the City Council.

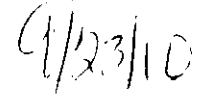
 2. In your opinion, what is the most important asset perspective you would bring to the City Council?

 3. What role do you feel the City Council plays in making Modesto a desirable community in which to live and or work?

 4. What are the five most critical issues facing the City during the next five years?

 5. Please provide three (3) Character References:

Signature: 

Date: 

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Supplemental Application Questionnaire

Stephanie Burnside

- 1) Please explain your two most important reasons for wanting to serve on the City Council

In these volatile economic times our community needs strong leaders who are fiscally responsible and forward thinking. These leaders must identify ways to cut expenses and increase revenues while preserving the most important services for our citizens. I am that leader, and there will never be a better time for someone like me to engage in solution development; my family business is here and my children's future is here.

Anyone who knows me recognizes how important community involvement is to me, not only in service organization, but also in all of the aspects of our city's welfare. As a reputable business owner, a loving mother and an active citizen, I feel it is my duty to work collaboratively with interested parties to capitalize on our community's strengths. By identifying and promoting our city's unique qualifications we will bring business opportunities to Modesto that will cement our future as the valley's "city to live in, work in and raise a family in." I am passionate about our community and feel the city could benefit from my work.

- 2) In your opinion, what is the most important asset/perspective you would bring to the City Council?

I have an innate ability to identify the core of an issue and propose solutions, but more importantly, I remain open and adaptable without jeopardizing my values or integrity. I believe individuals make better leaders when they work collaboratively rather than divisively or one-sidedly. It's imperative that leaders listen, weight the facts, and use sound judgment to execute effective solutions. I believe I possess these talents and they are the reason our family business has been able to stay alive during one of the most tough economic times in history; I listen, assess, and execute tough decisions that have ultimately kept the doors open and kept people employed.

- 3) What role do you feel the City Council plays in making Modesto a desirable community in which to live and/or work?

In my opinion, the City Council plays an instrumental role in making Modesto a desirable community to live and work in. As representatives, we are responsible for setting the example of fiscal diligence with our budget and creating ways to promote our city as THE place to live and work in the Central Valley. We rely on sales tax revenues and without sound businesses in our community we will fail at generating those revenue levels to support our expenditures. The City Council should actively pursue economic development and job growth opportunities to provide a community where people can live and work.

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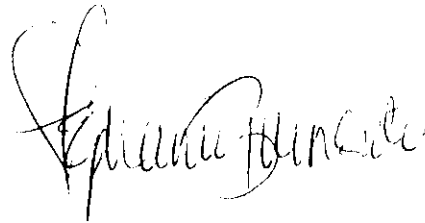
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Supplemental Application Questionnaire

Stephanie Burnside

4) What are the five most critical issues facing the City during the next five years?

Public safety, educated workforce, revenue stability, infrastructure and economic development.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephanie Burnside". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

September, 2010



To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Character reference for Stephanie Burnside

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Stephanie Burnside as a strong professional candidate for a position in Modesto City Government. I have worked with Stephanie over the last 4 years as a staff partner representing and supporting her efforts as a volunteer leader within the American Cancer Society.

Stephanie's experience as a leadership volunteer began through the American Cancer Society's Annual Gala in Stanislaus County. She successfully served as a Sub-Cte. Chair in her first year with the Gala, and ultimately served as the Event Chair, leading a group of 75+ volunteers for two years. She was responsible for guiding and mentoring Gala volunteers to successful campaigns, in addition to serving as our recent Sponsorship Chair for the event, collaborating with community leaders and donors to support the mission of the American Cancer Society. Stephanie also served on the American Cancer Society's Stanislaus Community Leadership Council, representing our Gala event. Stephanie exhibits strong leadership skills in the area of volunteer development and management, multi-tasking, and uses a considerable amount of energy to help the volunteers and constituents she works with to see how their support can make a difference in the lives of cancer patients in our community. During Stephanie's tenure with the American Cancer Society, she has had the opportunity to attend a variety of leadership trainings throughout California and has gained a great deal of knowledge and experience working with the many constituents the American Cancer Society represents.

Personally, I find Stephanie to be a motivated, determined leader in our community. She aims to strengthen her own critical skills, in addition to identifying others in her sphere of influence to become active in the community and get involved. Stephanie excels in providing excellent customer service wherever she goes, be it in business through Burnside Body Shop, or in her volunteer endeavors with the Modesto Rotary, American Cancer Society and more. Over the course of time I have known Stephanie, she proves herself to be a very dedicated, talented business owner, community member, Mom and personal friend.

I support Stephanie Burnside as a prime candidate for future leadership in our community. Please feel free to contact me at 209-524-7241, if you would like to discuss Stephanie's qualifications and character further.

Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Brunk

Cheryl L. Brunk
Community Services Director
American Cancer Society
Modesto Field Office

September 22, 2010

I have known Stephanie Burnside for many years, both professionally and personally.

Stephanie is motivated, passionate, and determined when it comes to the community. Her work ethic, ability to assess situations, and work toward a successful outcome makes her an asset in the business and community arenas.

Stephanie is also an honorable individual in her relationships. She appreciates candor in her interactions; plus understands the value of when to listen, and when to speak.

I can recommend Stephanie for City Council due to her ability to form workable solutions, enlist others for support, and ensure initiatives are completed. Her honesty, integrity, work ethic, and passion to work toward community solutions make her a good choice to serve her fellow citizens and this community.

Sincerely,

David Boring
President, Never Boring Design Associates, Inc.
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September 22, 2010

City Clerk's Office
PO Box 642
Modesto, Ca 95353

Dear City Council Review Committee,

It is with great pleasure that I write to you on behalf of Stephanie Burnside, a serious candidate for the City Council.

Stephanie is a generous, results oriented person who is known to work tirelessly for the benefit of various community groups. Whenever there is a problem, she naturally begins working on solutions with all involved stakeholders. I have always known her to respectfully collaborate with interested parties – she understands the need to perform a thorough assessment, to consider the viewpoints of all, and to be creative in solution development – skills that are definitely required in our troubling times. I have always been impressed with Stephanie's ability to be open, honest and true to her values, while ultimately finding a compromise that works for all parties. She is not afraid to take a tough stance or execute a tough decision, which I believe has helped her family business remain successful during one of the worst economies in our history. You have tough decisions to make, Stephanie will stand with you on those tough decisions.

Stephanie has done a very thorough assessment of herself, her family and business, the political landscape of our community and the problems our community faces. She has found that her strengths match up to what needs to be accomplished here. Stephanie will be well supported by both formal and informal leaders in our community both now and in next year's election: she is trustworthy, sincere, and not afraid to work hard.

I believe Stephanie has all the right motives for seeking a position with the Council: she feels a sense of duty and obligation to our community and isn't seeking any type of personal gain from this position. She merely wants to contribute to the team of architects who are building a solid platform for our communities' future. As a voting community member, I wholeheartedly embrace these motives and Stephanie as the candidate to work on your team!

One other benefit that might be under-rated is Stephanie's sense of humor – she is always smiling and WILL make you laugh! You guys have a tough job, humor helps!

Thank you for considering my thoughts.

Sincerely,
Lani Dickinson

