

# Don M. Peavey

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To the Esteemed Council Members,

I have decided to apply for the vacated seat of Art Babbott for a variety of reasons, the main being my sincere desire to serve my community in what I see as one of the better uses of my skill set, the political arena. I have advocated for a variety of policies within the political sphere, and as a 10 year resident of Flagstaff, Arizona I believe it is my duty to. My interest in politics is to use my mind, heart and skills for the betterment of our community and the protection of individual rights, as declared in the Arizona Constitution as the purpose of Government.

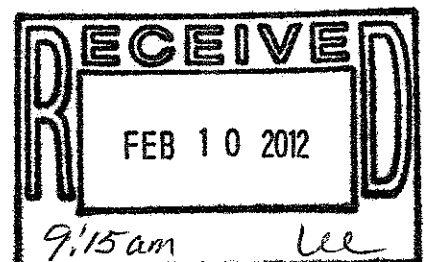
### Greatest Strengths:

- Independent minded - I am not partisan in any way
- A pragmatic approach to decision making and assigning priority
- A grasp of Flagstaff's multi-cultural background and diversity
- Cultural sensitivity and a respect for individual rights
- The ability to think outside of the box when it comes to problem solving
- A respect for the intention of the US and AZ Constitutions
- Willingness to reach across aisles to find common ground

Through the years I have worked with a variety of citizen activist groups, in hopes that through our mutual effort we can move Flagstaff towards a more just and equitable community. I have been tireless in my long term efforts to effect positive change for the citizens of Flagstaff, and I will continue to advocate for that positive change. Empowering the people of Flagstaff, for themselves and for the community as a whole. I believe that I can represent Flagstaff, and all of it's citizens, with integrity, honesty and the clear-headed pragmatism that will be required to move Flagstaff into the future, and our rightful place as a regional leader.

Flagstaff is a unique and culturally rich city and I believe it's citizens deserve representatives that will act solely in the interest of it's people to provide opportunity, safety and progressive policies that will evolve with the changing needs of it's residents. It is my hope that you will consider allowing me to use my skills as a Council Member, representing the people of Flagstaff.

Thank you for your time,  
Don M. Peavey



**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The City Council may consider applicant qualifications for the Council vacancy in executive sessions which are closed to the public, and then make the appointments in a public meeting. You have the right, however, to have your application considered in a public meeting by providing a written request to the City Clerk.

**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF  
APPLICATION TO SERVE ON THE CITY COUNCIL**

RETURN TO: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE, FLAGSTAFF, AZ 86001

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK  
APPLICATIONS WILL BE KEPT ON FILE FOR ONE YEAR!

DATE: Feb 10, 2012

YOUR NAME: Don M Peavey HOME PHONE: 928-226-0878

HOME ADDRESS: 4446 E. Joey Ave, Flagstaff ZIP: 86004

MAILING ADDRESS (If Different from Above): \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER: The Print Raven JOB TITLE: Senior Graphic Designer

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LENGTH OF RESIDENCY 10 years PREFERRED TELEPHONE:  HOME  WORK  CELL

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Please complete the following questions:

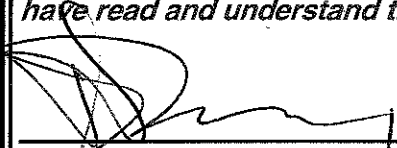
Explain why you are the best person to fill the position. (Please attach an extra page if needed.)

I am honest, thoughtful, value individual rights and I wish to sustainably grow Flagstaff's economy

What do you think are the most important issues facing the City Council in the next two years? (Please attach an extra page if needed.)

Jobs, cost of living, resource allocation, economic security

I certify that I meet the statutory requirements of living within the corporate limits of the City of Flagstaff for at least one year, that I am over the age of 18 years, that I am a registered voter of the City of Flagstaff; *and that I have read and understand the right to have my application considered in a public meeting.*

  
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Applicant Signature

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## Interested in Serving My Community

I have lived in Flagstaff, Arizona for over 10 years, I found my wife here, I found my career here, and I found a future here. I hope to keep that future safe and prosperous for all residents of Flagstaff and the surrounding area, my children, and my children's children. I am of mixed heritage and have lived in a variety of cultures. I feel I could be an effective voice for the people of Flagstaff, working on the behalf of all Flagstaff residents from all of our many backgrounds and cultures.

## Background

I grew up in upstate New York State, two hours north of New York City, on the Connecticut border. I was born in Connecticut just across the NY/CT border in the Town of Sharon. My parents worked for the State of New York in the Mental Health Industry, working with the Developmentally Disabled. I have always had an interest in how the world works, in all it's complexity and vastness, and I found myself wanting to use my skills, mind and heart to help others and make the world a better place. My unique background gives me a multi-cultural understanding that would serve the city of Flagstaff well.

## Summary of Qualifications

Independent minded, problem solving skills, people skills and an interest in serving my community.

Some managerial experience, training, money handling, decision making and conflict resolution.

An ability to explain complex ideas in a common sense, every day terms.

A willingness and capability to compromise to meet mutual goals and aspirations.

## Recent Professional Experience

**The Print Raven** - Flagstaff, Arizona - Senior Graphic Designer - Over 3.5 Years

**Little Caesars** - Flagstaff, Arizona - General Help/Managerial - 5 months

**Freelance Graphic Designer/Tech. Advisor** - Flagstaff, Arizona - Self-Employed - 1.5 Years

## Educational Background/Areas of Interest

Graduated from Webutuck High School in 1991

A class ("gifted class") student with a leaning towards language and the arts. SAT:1050

Attended Dutchess County Community College for one Semester as an Art Major.

Self-Taught Graphic/Web Designer and php/html Programmer.

I have worked in everything from Management to Serving, and in that acquiring an understanding of Business, Marketing, Management and People Skills.

**Areas of Interest:** History, Art, Language and Communication, Philosophy, Political Philosophy, Economics, Culture and Anthropology.

## Final Comment

I am applying for the position of City Councilperson because I sincerely wish to contribute to my community in a way that will be both meaningful and effective towards making Flagstaff a better place to live for all residents.

I look at governing as an exercise in pragmatism and patience, you can not run a government like a business, nor assume that there is an endless supply of resources. The goal of governance is to act in the best interest of the majority without violating the rights of the minority. To maintain the economic viability and sustainability while supplying the citizenry with needed services and protection.

~References available upon request