Now that we have been in this "new normal" for almost a year we have had to change the way we interact, the way we run our businesses and the way we connect within our community. We have the opportunity to be better for our families and our community. During this time, we have been lucky to have great leaders on City Council. I have the energy and tenacity to keep our city moving in the right direction for citizens and businesses. I served the city on the Planning Commission the past several years where we have made important decisions for the city which makes me ready to serve as a city councilor.

As a Realtor<sup>®</sup> I know the impact the housing shortage has on our community and businesses. I have met with decision makers in Salem and Washington, D.C. on the impact various legislation would have on communities like ours. Seeing the importance of change is great, taking the steps to make change happen is where a difference is made. This is a pivotal time to lead with integrity.

With your support we can achieve great community growth. Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you as to why I'm the right choice for a seamless transition. I ask for your support and ask you to connect with our city councilors to urge them to select the candidate with the experience to keep us moving forward.

With great respect,

Grace Bergen

City Councilor candidate – Ward 1