

## Candidacy Announcement:

My name is Ann Marie McKay, and I am running for Laguna Beach City Clerk in the November 2020 General Election, because Lisette, the current City Clerk, is planning to retire at the end of her term.

The Laguna Beach City Clerk is a non-partisan elected position that exists to serve and assist the public. The City Clerk works for us, the community, and is to be autonomous, beholden to no one except the public. Though the City Clerk assists the City Council and the City Manager, that assistance is for the public's best interest, not the City government.

I love being a public servant. Before coming to Laguna, after I graduated with my degree, I served as a Captain in the Air Force. I served this City for 10 years. I currently serve as President of PUP Laguna Beach, the nonprofit that supports the Laguna Beach Animal Shelter, and I have been an active volunteer at the Laguna Beach Animal Shelter since 2011. Now I want to serve our community as City Clerk. I excel at customer service, and pleasant, competent assistance to everyone will be my priority.

I am the best candidate to be Laguna Beach's next City Clerk because I have the experience, talents and neutrality necessary to serve our community. I am actively involved in our community and have always found common ground with all I have encountered. My independence enables me to make unbiased decisions and provide equal assistance to everyone.

I know and love Laguna. Besides the 10 years I worked downtown, I have walked the neighborhoods, parks and business districts, I have bicycled around town, and I have lived in North Laguna, the Village, and, currently, South Laguna. I worked and participated in Planning Commission, Design Review Board, City Council and other public and community meetings. I understand the issues in our community and I appreciate and respect the many viewpoints we have, which I believe make Laguna unique.

I will use my knowledge of City-specific technology (like the permitting system, the document retention system, the City maps system, etc.) and my technological skills to ensure correct and current information for the public. After 10 years of dedicated service to the City, I decided to pursue another opportunity in the private sector, in part because, as an administrative City employee, I was unable to effectively use my knowledge and talents to take the actions I believed were necessary to improve how the City was functioning. As City Clerk, I will have the ability to fully use my skills to ensure our community is provided the best service possible.

With my years of experience as a City employee, and as a Notary Public, I understand the City Clerk's role. I also have excellent relationships with the current and previous City Clerks, who are valuable resources.

Vote to elect me as Laguna's next City Clerk to let my experience work for you, our community. To learn more about why I am the best candidate to be your next City Clerk and to support my campaign, visit [www.mckay4cityclerk.com](http://www.mckay4cityclerk.com), or my facebook page @mckay4cityclerk or my Instagram @annmarie4cityclerk. Also feel free to email me at [mckay4cityclerk@gmail.com](mailto:mckay4cityclerk@gmail.com).