



City Commission Work Session Agenda  
Friday, April 24, 2026, 10:00 AM  
City Commission Chambers, 950 S. Grant Ave.

- Call to Order
- 1. City Commission Applicant Interviews
  - ADJOURNMENT



**CITY OF LIBERAL  
CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION MEETING  
April 24, 2026  
AGENDA ITEM # 1.**

To: Mayor Jeff Parsons  
Vice Mayor Janeth Vazquez  
Commissioner Matt Landry  
Commissioner Jose Lara  
Commissioner Ron Warren

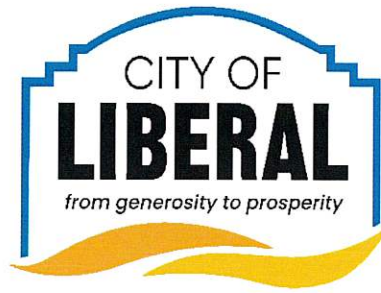
Date: April 24, 2026

From: Scarlette Diseker, City Manager

RE: City Commission Applicant Interviews

City Commission and Staff will conduct interviews with each interested applicant for the current open seat.

**Recommendation:**



City of Liberal  
2026 Commission Applicants  
Rec Center Commission Chambers  
April 24, 2026

10:05 am	Kathleen Alonso
10:20 am	Kelsey Kronawitter
10:35 am	Edgar Ortuno
10:50 am	Bee Symons
11:05 am	Eric Dean Volden
11:20 am	Nathan McCaffrey



# RESUME FOR CITY OF LIBERAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Name: Kelsey Kronawitter Date: 4-17-2026  
 Mailing Address: 1000 Cortez St. B, Liberal Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residential Address: " " Occupation: HS Teacher  
 Office Telephone: 620-604-1200 ext. 2244 Office Address: 1611 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Liberal

Board Preference(s):

1. City Commission
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYMENT	JOB/TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT
<u>Liberal High School</u>	<u>HGSS/CTE Teacher</u>	<u>08-15-2015 to present</u>

Education, volunteer services, or other applicable experience or training:

Bachelor of Science in Education - Emporia State  
Teach Pre-Law Pathway at LHS - including a course on Public Administration

References:

NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION
1. <u>Tasha Ebeling</u>	<u>1521 N. Roosevelt</u>	<u>HS Asst. Principal</u>
2. <u>Jeff Hall</u>	<u>1222 N. Tulane</u>	<u>Business Owner</u>
3. <u>Ashley Kappelmann</u>	<u>1731 James Court</u>	<u>Director of Education &amp; Recruitment</u>

Kelsey Kronawitter  
 Signature

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 \* For a term of: \_\_\_\_\_ \*  
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# RESUME FOR CITY OF LIBERAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Name: Edgar Octano Date: 4/16/26  
 Mailing Address: 840 Apollo St. Home Telephone: ---  
 Residential Address: 840 Apollo St. Occupation: Vice President / Architect  
 Office Telephone: 620-626-9999 Office Address: 401 S. Country Estates Rd.  
 Board Preference(s):

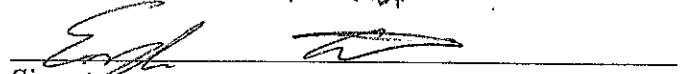
1. Commission
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYMENT	JOB/TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT
<u>O.C. Quality Custom Homes LLC</u>	<u>Vice president</u>	<u>1/3/2015 - Present</u>

Education, volunteer services, or other applicable experience or training:  
Masters of Architecture, Chairman of P&Z for Seward County; P&Z member of City of Liberal

References:

NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION
1. <u>Steve Merz</u>	<u>1554 N Roosevelt</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
2. <u>Pan Fankhauser</u>	<u>1101 E Kansas Plaza</u>	<u>Architect</u>
3. <u>Pete Earles</u>	<u>Genoa City, KS 67846 / 211 N. Kansas</u>	<u>Principle / Civil Engineer</u>

  
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## RESUME FOR CITY OF LIBERAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Name: Bee Symons Date: 04/16/2026  
 Mailing Address: P. O. Box 81 Liberal Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residential Address: 2200 Sierra Drive, Liberal Occupation: Closing Agent  
 Office Telephone: 620-624-9111 Office Address: 217 N. Kansas

**Board Preference(s):**

1. City Commmission
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

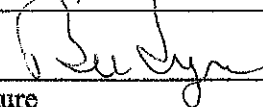
EMPLOYMENT	JOB/TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT
American Title & Abstract	Closing Agent	01/15/2025 to Present
Leader & Times	Sales	9/19/2022 to 01/14/2025

**Education, volunteer services, or other applicable experience or training:**

LHS Grad, Attended SCCC, Bee Jay Board of Directors, Committee Chair Seward County.  
Rodeo Assc, Served on Pancake Board & Fair Board, 45 yeard of Sales, Management and Loss-Prevention Experience.

**References:**

1.	NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION
	Mike Riney	1670 N. Cain, Liberal	C. Dean Riney Ins.
	Jim Rice	2111 Violet Ln., Liberal	Retired
	Brad Carr	1818 N. Calhoun, Liberal	Bank of Beaver

  
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# RESUME FOR CITY OF LIBERAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Name: Eric Dean Volden

Date: 04-16-26

Mailing Address: 515 N Grant Ave. Liberal, KS

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Head Coach

Office Telephone: 620-417-1672

Office Address: 2215 N Kansas Ave. Liberal,

Board Preference(s):

1. City Commission
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYMENT	JOB/TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT
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<u>Seward County Community College. Head Coach.</u>	<u>03-01-23 to current</u>
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<u>Seward County Community College. Director of Admissions.</u>	<u>08-15-19 to 02-28-23</u>
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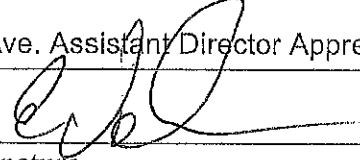
Education, volunteer services, or other applicable experience or training:

Currently serve as Vice Chair of Liberal Housing Authority. Served on 5-State Fair board.

Bachelors of Sociology (Demographics focus) with certification in Community Development.

References:

- | NAME                      | ADDRESS                                       | POSITION  |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| 1. <u>Ty Lewick.</u>      | <u>1401 N New York Liberal, KS 67901.</u>     | <u>Executive Director, Liberal Housing Authority.</u>                   |
| 2. <u>Joe Denoyer.</u>    | <u>1410 N. Western Ave Liberal, KS 67901.</u> | <u>On-Air Personality, Seward County Broadcasting</u>                   |
| 3. <u>Sarah Thompson.</u> | <u>2215 N Kansas Ave.</u>                     | <u>Assistant Director Apprenticeships &amp; Community Outreach, SCC</u> |

  
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Name: Nathan A. McCaffrey Date: April 22, 2026  
 Mailing Address: 615 W. 2nd Street Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residential Address: 615 W. 2nd Street Occupation: Lawyer  
 Office Telephone: 580-290-3875 Office Address: Guymon, Oklahoma

Board Preference(s):

1. City Commission
2. \_\_\_\_\_
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EMPLOYMENT	JOB/TITLE	DATES OF EMPLOYMENT
Current	Oklahoma Indigent Defense System	Defense Counsel & Deputy Division Chief

Please refer to the resume for additional information

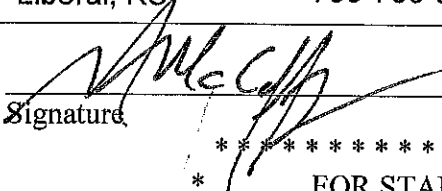
Education, volunteer services, or other applicable experience or training:

University of Kansas and Washburn Law School

Seward County Commissioner for 8 years, 5 years as chairman

References:

1.	NAME	ADDRESS	POSITION
	Lane Fryire	Liberal, KS	620-655-3068 Friend/Co-Worker
	Jonathan Eikenberry	Liberal, KS	620-482-1295 Friend
	Elsa Fraire	Liberal, KS	785-760-5390 Friend/Co-Worker

  
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**Recommendation:**