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Stern elected secretary of state association

OLYMPIA — Poulsbo City Council member Ed Stern is the newly elected secretary of the Association of Washington Cities.

The secretary serves on the executive committee of the association's board of directors, and is in line to become vice president, and then president.

"Receiving the support of my elected city colleagues from all around the state to be an officer of the Association of Washington Cities is a career highlight for me as a 20-year city council member in Poulsbo," Stern said in an announcement of his election.

"Now is the time for all the cities to stand shoulder to shoulder in our efforts to meet the needs of the citizens who have voted us into office, and press the Washington State Legislature into upholding our historical partnership of cooperation."

Stern has served on the AWC board since 2008. His district includes 23 cities and towns in the counties of Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap, Mason,

Pacific, and Wahkiakum.

He was elected to the Poulsbo City Council in 1997 and has served five consecutive terms.

Founded in 1933, AWC is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation that represents Washington's cities and towns before the state Legislature, the state executive branch, and with regulatory agencies.



Council member Ed Stern

AWC also provides training, data and publica-

tions; and programs such as the AWC Employee Benefit Trust, AWC Risk Management Service Agency, AWC Workers' Comp Retro, AWC Drug and Alcohol Consortium, and AWC GIS Consortium.

City accepting applications for parks, planning

POULSBO — The City of Poulsbo is accepting applications from residents interested in serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Planning Commission.

Duties, meeting days and times, and an application are available at Poulsbo City Hall, 200 NE Moe St.; by calling City Hall at 360-779-3901; or by visiting <https://cityofpoulsbo.com/>

boards-commissions/.

Application should be submitted to the Poulsbo City Clerk.

According to the city's website, the Parks and Recreation Commission gives "advisory recommendations to the City Council on all regulations, resolutions, plans, policies, projects and proposals relating to the city parks system, recreational facilities or open space"; promotes public use and awareness of city parks; and apprises the council, Public Works Department and Parks and Recreation Department of the community's park and recreational needs.

The Planning Commission conducts public hearings related to the Comprehensive Plan, including zoning regulations; reviews and makes recommendations to the City Council on the adoption and enforcement of plans and regulations; and reviews and provides recommendations on certain projects in the city, such as conditional use permits and subdivisions.

City of Poulsbo debuts its Facebook page

POULSBO — The City of Poulsbo has launched a Facebook page "to communicate better with its citizens and build a stronger

sense of community,

Over the last four years, the city has published online newsletters, and recently revamped its website.

"Promoting the understanding of city government has always been a priority of the City Council and staff," Mayor Becky Erickson said in an announcement of the city's move into social media.

"Our Facebook is another tool we will be using to let our residents know what is happening in our community."

With just a click of the "Like" button, anyone with a Facebook account can follow the City of Poulsbo.

The City of Poulsbo Facebook page can be accessed at www.facebook.com/City-of-Poulsbo-City-Hall-236534276860062. Or use the Facebook search option to reach the City of Poulsbo — City Hall page.

Followers will be kept up-to-date on news, important dates, and events concerning Poulsbo.

If you are not already following the Poulsbo Parks & Recreation Facebook page, go to www.facebook.com/poulsboparksrec.



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