

Candidate Filing Application

City of Portland

AUD 120

Declaration of Candidacy

Important Dates

General Election November 5, 2024	First Day to File June 5, 2024	Last Day to File August 27, 2024	Withdrawal Deadline August 30, 2024
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This Filing is an



Original



Amendment

Filing for Office of

- ☐ Councilor District 1 (4-Year Term)
 ☒ Mayor (4-Year Term)
- ☐ Councilor District 2 (4-Year Term)
 ☐ Auditor (2-Year Term)
- ☐ Councilor District 3 (2-Year Term)
- ☐ Councilor District 4 (2-Year Term)

Notice for City Auditor Candidates: Candidates for City Auditor must additionally include proof of certification as a Public Accountant, Internal Auditor, or Management Accountant. Applications for City Auditor candidacy are not considered complete until all required documentation is received.

Name of Candidate

First MI Last Suffix
 Shei'Meka (BeUtee) As-Salaam

Name Should Appear on Ballot as Follows (Nicknames or shortened versions of names in parenthesis)

Shei'Meka (BeUtee) As-Salaam

Candidate Residence Address

Street Address City State Zip Code County
 5845 NE Hoyt St #305

Have you resided at this address since November 5, 2023? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If not, list the address(es) you have resided at since November 5, 2023:

Candidate Mailing Address and Contact Information (Only one phone number and an email is required)

☒ Mailing and Residential Address are the same.

Street City State Zip Code

Primary Phone Number Alternate Phone Number Campaign Phone Number
 (503) 358-5935

Personal Email Address Campaign Email Address
 2020VisionofPeace@gmail.com

Campaign Website (if applicable)

Race and Ethnicity (Optional)

As part of ensuring open and accountable government, the Portland Auditor's Office promotes and fosters a culture of racial equity, diversity, and inclusion in the Office's public services and everyday interactions. To help us measure whether we are meeting these goals, we ask that you provide basic demographic information.

Note: Your answer to this question will not affect your qualification for candidacy and will not appear on the ballot.

Check all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native
(Tribe or Native Corporation): Cree "Creek"
I have a maternal bloodline with d | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern or Northern African |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Asian American | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic, Latino, Latina, or Latinx | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Listed (specify):
Ascending from Chattel Enslaveme |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer |

Occupation (Present Employment, Paid or Unpaid). If not employed, enter "Not Employed."

Torchbearer, Bridge Builder, Community Developer, Homeschooling "single" Mother, Educator at Childpeace Montessori (Torchbearing)-to support the evolution/growth of the collective as I light the way through an ongoing commitment to my own personal journey toward HEALth, Wholeness & Unity!

Occupational Background (Previous Employment, Paid or Unpaid). If no relevant experience, enter "None" or "NA." Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Educator, Administrator & Facilitator at Life Schooling Academy.
Children's Pastor at Mannahouse/ City Bible Church & New Beginnings Christian Center (Volunteer Youth Pastor @ Highland)
Parent Coach-Healthy Families Oregon (Albina Headstart)
10 years at Weiden+Kennedy , (3 years teaching @ Caldera Arts program) 7 years @ FedE

Educational Background (Schools Attended). Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Complete Name of School	Last Grade Completed	Diploma/Degree/Certificate	Course of Study
Mt. Hood Community College	N/A	Associates	BA/ Minor Communications
Benson Polytecnic High School	12th	Diploma	Communications

Educational Background (Other). Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Please see attached ...

Prior Governmental Experience (Elected or Appointed). If no relevant experience, enter "None" or "NA." Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

PTA President at "King" K-8 renamed (re-claimed) Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary in 2019

Campaign Finance Information

State Campaign Finance Information:

- A candidate must file a Statement of Organization not later than three business days of first receiving a contribution or making an expenditure and no later than the deadline for filing a nominating petition or declaration of candidacy, whichever occurs first, unless they meet the criteria for an exemption. To meet the criteria, the candidate must serve as their own treasurer, not have an existing candidate committee, and not expect to spend or receive more than \$750 during the entire calendar year (including in-kind contributions and personal funds).
- If you have an existing candidate committee you must amend the statement of organization not later than 10 days after a change in information. This includes changes to the election you are active in and the office you are running for.
- See the [State Campaign Finance Manual](#) for the procedural and legal requirements of establishing and maintaining a candidate committee.

☒ I have reviewed the above State campaign finance information.

City of Portland Contribution Limits and Disclosures Information:

- City campaign finance contribution limits, disclosure requirements, and additional reporting requirements are included in City Code Sections [2.10.010 B.1., 2., and 4. \(Contributions in City of Portland Candidate Elections\)](#); [2.10.020 B. \(Expenditures in City of Portland Candidate Elections\)](#); [2.10.030 A. – C. \(Timely Disclosure of Large Contributions and Expenditures\)](#); and [2.16.140 C. \(Additional Reporting\)](#).

☒ I have reviewed the above campaign finance requirements specific to the City of Portland. I also understand that the Auditor's Office publishes [administrative rules](#) pertaining to campaign finance and have reviewed these.

Small Donor Elections

For more information on this optional program, contact the [Small Donor Elections program](#).

Select one

☐ I have filed a Notice of Intent to participate in the City's public funding program.

☒ I have not filed a Notice of Intent, but I plan on participating in the City's public funding program.

☐ I do not plan to participate in the City's public funding program.

Candidate Committee

Select one

☐ I have a candidate committee registered with the Oregon Secretary of State in ORESTAR.

Name of Candidate Committee as registered in ORESTAR:

☐ I do not have a candidate committee registered in ORESTAR, and I do not expect to spend more than \$750 or receive more than \$750 during each calendar year. I understand that I must still keep records of all campaign transactions and that if total contributions or total expenditures exceed \$750 during a calendar year, I must follow the requirements of City and State law, detailed in the [City Candidate Guide](#) and the [State Campaign Finance Manual](#).

☒ I do not currently have a candidate committee registered in ORESTAR. I will be filing a Statement of Organization for Candidate Committee with the Oregon Secretary of State's Office ([SEL 220 Form](#)).

Filing Method

☐ Fee (**Auditor:** \$100, **Mayor:** \$100, **Councilor:** \$75). If selecting this method, proceed to [Option A](#).

☒ Fee Waiver (must be previously submitted and approved). If selecting this method, proceed to [Option A](#).

☐ Nominating Petition (no filing fee required). If selecting this method, proceed to [Option B](#).

Option A: Filing by Declaration and Fee or Fee Waiver

I am filing this Candidate Filing Application along with required filing fee pursuant to City Code Section [2.08.060 \(Candidacy by Declaration\)](#), or I have been approved for a fee waiver in lieu of filing fee.

☒ I understand that my filing for candidacy is not complete until I submit a completed Candidate Filing Application and I have paid the filing fee or my fee waiver has been previously submitted and approved.

I am including the required fee by the following method (skip if you have been approved for the Fee Waiver).

☐ Paying through the Online Payment Portal. To access the payment portal, visit portlandoregon.gov/auditor/candidatefilingfee/ or click the following button:

[Pay Filing Fee Online](http://portlandoregon.gov/auditor/candidatefilingfee/)

☐ Mailing a check. Make checks payable to "City of Portland," and mail to:
City Elections Office
1221 SW Fourth Avenue
Room 130 Portland, OR 97204

☐ Scheduling an in-person appointment to deposit a payment. To request an appointment with the City Elections Office email elections@portlandoregon.gov.

Option B: Filing by Declaration and Nominating Petition

Notice: Candidates filing by Nominating Petition

- Must submit a proposed signature sheet ([SEL 121 Form](#)) to the City Elections Office for written approval prior to circulation. Remember to include your SEL 121 Form when you file your Candidate Filing Application.
- Must submit completed signature sheets and a completed Petition Submission Form ([SEL 338 Form](#)) to the City Elections Office in person to initiate the signature verification process.

Option B: Filing by Declaration and Nominating Petition (Continued)

Some circulators may be paid

☐ Yes☐ No

- ☐ I understand that submitting this form and the proposed signature sheet do not represent a complete filing for candidacy. A complete filing for candidacy by nominating petition requires in-person submission of completed signature sheets ([SEL 121 Form](#)) containing at least 500 valid signatures from Portland voters registered in my electoral district in addition to a completed Petition Submission Form ([SEL 338 Form](#)).

Residence Address Exemption (Optional)

Candidates are required to disclose their residential address to verify qualification for candidacy. To exempt your residence address from public disclosure, candidates must file a separate Residence Address Exemption Request ([SEL 180 Form](#)) with the Secretary of State. The request for a Residence Address Exemption must include a publicly disclosable mailing address. Residence addresses are still subject to inspection as public record under ORS 192.311 to 192.478.

Select one

☐ I don't want my residence address to be disclosed. I will be filing a separate [SEL 180- Residence Address Exemption Request](#)

☒ I will not be filing an Address Exemption.

Candidate Attestation and Filing Submission

By signing this document, I hereby state and acknowledge the following:

- I will accept the election for the office indicated above.
- I will qualify for said office if elected.
- No circulators will be compensated based on the number of signatures obtained by the circulator on a prospective petition.
- I understand that I may not file a nominating petition or declaration of candidacy for more than one lucrative office on the ballot at the same time, unless I first file a written withdrawal with the officer who accepted the initial filing. I understand that I must file the withdrawal before a nominating petition or declaration of candidacy will be accepted. See ORS 249.013 (Candidacy for More than One Office).
- I understand that pursuant to ORS 260.715 (Prohibited Conduct) and ORS 260.993 (Criminal Penalties), any person who supplies any information on the form, knowing it to be false, is subject upon conviction in the penitentiary for up to five years or to a fine of \$125,000 or both.
- I understand that the information submitted on this form is subject to Oregon's public record laws.
- All the information provided by me on this form is true to the best of my knowledge.


Candidate Signature6-11-24
Date

For Candidates Filing by Nominating Petition: After you submit this Candidate Filing Application (AUD 120 Form), the City Elections Office will assign a petition number to this form and notify you by email of both the assigned petition number and confirmation that your form has been received. Contact the City Elections Office if you have not received a reply within three business days.

For All Candidates: When completed, you may email this form to elections@portlandoregon.gov or schedule an appointment to submit your Candidate Filing Application (AUD 120 Form) in person. Same day appointments cannot be guaranteed and candidates should plan to contact the City Elections Office at least several days in advance.

For Internal Use OnlyPetition ID
Number

Timestamp

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BeUtee (Shei'Meka) Unique Jessica As-Salaam

BeUtee (Shei'Meka) As-Salaam specializes in Education, Cultivation and Innovation as she is committed to actively growing in the gift of Inspiration. With a lifelong commitment to Lifting in Love, Light & Enlightenment as she invites us to share in her journey of Healing towards Wholeness and HEALTH!

She has spearheaded the construction of multiple systems and fresh approaches to operations within the organizations in which she has invested her life; Federal Express, Weiden+Kennedy, New Beginnings Christian Center, City Bible Church/Mannahouse, Portland Public Schools, including Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary in Portland Oregon (the first school in History to bear his name), & Childpeace Montessori.

Her Philosophy,(study of the fundamental nature of knowledge, reality, and existence,) is that Education should be an illuminating experience...Not a mere dissemination of information, nor simply the receiving or giving of systematic instruction. She is dedicated to the elevation of this truth. She has over 40 years of experience in education and over 25 years of experience as an educator.

She was a co-founder and officer of the Non-Profit "Black Women For Peace". BeUtee is also the operating manager of Real Solution 4 Life LLC.

Ms. As-Salaam completed her studies in Business Administration (minor in Communications) in 2000. She received her degree from Mt. Hood Community College.

Despite the fact that in the late 90's and early 2000's, students were advised to pursue a degree in business, as a young Black Woman learning and growing in Portland Oregon, Shei'Meka came to realize that there was a separate set of, unwritten guidelines that pertained to her. From being one of only two Black girls attending Harvey Scott Elementary in Oregon, all the way to graduating a straight "A" student at Benson Polytechnic (college preparatory) High school in Portland, she was constantly presented with the realities associated with this prevailing truth.

Ms. As-Salaam (born Shei'Meka Unique Jessica Newman), walked before she was one, talked before she was two and soon after, she ran. Even after a terrible accident in 1979, which deformed her left foot, with her parents being told she might never be able to walk again. Miracles have surrounded BeUtee her entire life. And perhaps the greatest of all of these miracles has been, no matter what challenges might have arisen, she has never failed to recognize the blessings and find the lessons within the momentary struggle.

More recently, she has contended in her role as mother of two little Black girls attending "King" Elementary (Renamed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. School by a PPS School board resolution she pushed for in Sept of 2019). From the moment she stepped in as interim President of the "King" PTA ,she was inspired by the possibility of what could be built as she chose to invite a team of fellow parents and educators to join her in the active engagement of cultivating an exceptionally safe, healthy and loving environment with which parents and teachers could guide the education of their children! She ultimately held the office for a total of 4 years before moving on.

Ms. As-Salaam is now manifesting Real Solutions 4 Life, as she transitions from the administration and facilitation of Life Schooling Academy, an Education & Cultivation Sanctuary she launched in response to COVID-19 (2/2021). Which she further developed and expanded into a center based program (9/ 2022).

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