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John Day City Manager
John Day City Council
450 East Main Street
John Day, OR 97845

Re: Letter of Resignation

Dear City Manager Green and City Councilors:

Effective this date I am resigning from the position of John Day City Councilor due to ongoing changes in health issues presently and other personal circumstances that are not conducive to continuing in the position at this time.

I have served as a John Day City Councilor since March of 2013 and I would hope that in my tenure with the City that I have contributed to the sustainability, livability, and progress of our community.

I would take this opportunity to commend our City Manager and Council for all the hard work over these many years to try to represent the best interests of our citizens and community by taking action to address the many issues that we face as a community.

The work for the City is challenging and ongoing. The many infrastructure developments we are seeing coming into fruition are critical for City sustainability including our new wastewater system development, transportation planning, industrial land and housing development, economic and revitalization efforts, and recreation and livability planning. It is my hope that in the best interests of public safety for our community an agreement between the City and the County can be reached soon to adequately support police services.

Further, if we can put divisions aside, we are truly one community looking out for the best interests of a thriving and sustainable City and larger County community. Disagreements come with change, but if we can keep this thought before us in all matters, we are all wanting the best for our community, and working together beyond our differences toward this higher goal we all desire, will achieve the most beneficial outcome.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Smith", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Smith