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TAYLOR vs. CHAPMAN

MAYORAL CANDIDATES TO DEBATE APRIL 11

Janet Taylor will seek re-election to a fourth term as Mayor of Salem, and Lloyd Chapman will oppose her, at the May 20th primary election. They will debate each other, and the issues facing the city, at our meeting Friday noon, April 11. City Club is proud to host this debate in conjunction with the League of Women Voters of Marion and Polk Counties.

They are likely to address a long list of issues before the Salem City Council. These include, among others, a multi-million dollar gap between budget requests and available revenue, a proposed bond issue to improve streets and small bridges, various issues relating to planning, zoning and the environment, issues of job and economic growth, and the city's role in promoting and funding a Willamette River bridge.

Mayor since 2003, Taylor has lived in Salem since 1956. She graduated from North Salem High School and attended Chemeketa Community College. Her work career included customer service and accounting for an insurance company and as a manager for an equipment manufacturer. She and her husband, Duane Taylor, established Taylor Metal Products, which she managed prior to its sale in 2003. She has chaired her neighborhood association and SEDCOR, and has served on the boards of the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce, the League of Oregon Cities, and the Oregon Mayor's Association.

Chapman has lived in Salem for 31 years. He grew up in Eugene, graduated from Oregon State University, and served in the Peace Corps in Sri Lanka. He earned a Masters of Public Administration from Syracuse University and worked in the New York City Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Government. After returning to Oregon, he worked 25 years for the Dept. of Land Conservation and Development, in citizen involvement, forest land planning and computer administration, prior to retiring. He has been active in two neighborhood associations, and served for eight years on the Salem-Keizer Transit Board, including five years as its President.

We will invite both candidates to discuss their qualifications and plans, and to respond to questions from the chair, from each other, and from our members. Don't miss it.

When: Friday, April 11, 2008; 11:40 lunch | Noon Program
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