Notice of Recommendation for Honorary Citizenship of Seoul

No. 2022-1821

                                         June 20, 2022

The Seoul Metropolitan Government confers honorary citizenship upon international residents in Seoul in recognition of their contributions to the city and the local community, including being a role model to Seoul citizens as well as other foreign residents.

**1. Qualification for Honorary Citizenship of Seoul**

  1) Current foreign residents who have resided in Seoul for more than three consecutive years and current or former foreign residents who have or had resided in Seoul for five cumulative years, having contributed to:

     • Improving the status of the City of Seoul at home and abroad,

     • Enhancing the quality of life and promoting cultural activities of citizens,

     • The economic development of Seoul, or

     • Introducing cutting-edge technologies in science and other industries.

  \* Note: *Foreign residents* refer to those who completed alien registration with the Immigration Bureau of the Republic of Korea. Those who are exempt from alien registration in accordance with applicable law/regulation, such as the holders of Official & Diplomatic passports, are also eligible.

2) Foreign residents who have resided in Seoul for three consecutive years or less (or current or former foreign residents who have resided in Seoul for five cumulative years or less) but have made significant contribution to the City of Seoul otherwise than aforementioned

  \* Note: The contribution made to the City of Seoul shall be independently assessed and determined by the deliberation committee.

**2. Nominators ※ Select one from 1~3**

1) Heads of public organizations (Heads of national organizations and local governments, or those of corporations and public organizations whose purpose of existence was authorized by the heads of national organizations and local governments),

   2) Heads of civic organizations, or

   3) More than 30 citizens of Seoul. (Joint signatures are required)

**3. Required documents**

1. A recommendation form: attached to this notice.
* A recommendation form shall be written up to 3 pages in A4 size, and there is no limit in length for the additional documents attached.
* Please include nominee’s personal information and key achievements (including detailed supporting materials) in Korean or English. You may attach additional documents if necessary.
* If more information about nominees is needed, the Committee will contact nominators to request additional information or confirm facts.
1. A photo of nominees (3.5cm\*4.5cm) taken within a six-month period.
2. Certificate of Alien Registration
* Please include all records of the residential address change.
1. Written Pledge as an Honorary Citizen of Seoul: attached to this notice
2. Consent to Collection and Use of Personal Information: attached to this notice

**4. Submission**

  1) Period: May 9 (Mon), 2022 ~ June 26 (Sun), 2022

  2) By email or postal mail/in person

     - Address: International Relations Division, 8F, Seoul City Hall, 110 Sejong-daero, Jung-gu, Seoul (04524), Korea

- E-mail: seoulhonorary@seoul.go.kr

* In case of submission by e-mail, please submit the soft copies (duplicated copies) of recommendation form and additional documents no later than June 26, 2022, and the hard copies (original copies) of such documents MUST be submitted by postal mail or in person no later than July 1, 2022.
* In case of in person submission, please visit within working hour(until 6pm on June 24) and submissions are not accepted on weekends.

**5. Selection process**

   The nomination is brought to the *Selection Committee for the Honorary Citizenship of Seoul and Seoul Metropolitan Council* for deliberation.

    • The Selection Committee will be convened in July of 2022 (tentative).

    • Seoul Metropolitan Council will confirm in August of 2022 (tentative).

**6. Benefits for Honorary Citizens**

• Will be provided the certificate, card and medal of honorary citizenship.

    • Will be provided the opportunity to participate in city administration, i.e. invited to attend city-organized events or be appointed as a member of city-led committees, etc.

    • Will be given free admission/access to Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul Museum of History, and Seoul Grand Park, etc.

  \* As for individuals who have engaged in activities that are recognized as going against the purpose of conferring the honorary citizenship, their honorary citizenships may be revoked according to Article 7 of the Ordinance on Seoul Honorary Citizenship.

**7. Others**

1. Recommendation form can be downloaded at "Seoul Metropolitan Government (English)" website.

    • Visit <http://english.seoul.go.kr/>

Click "2022 Notice of Recommendation for Honorary Citizenship of Seoul."

     • Visit <https://www.seoul.go.kr/news/news_notice.do> (Korean)

1. The result of the selection of 2022 Seoul Honorary Citizenship will be notified to both nominees and nominators within seven days following the approval of the Seoul Metropolitan Council. (This may be subject to change due to internal situations.)
2. The conferment ceremony of 2022 Seoul Honorary Citizenship will take place this November or December. (The exact date is yet to be determined.)
3. Submitted documents will not be returned. For more information, please find the contact information.

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