

Commissioners,

My name is Jay Urish and I am the Extra class holder of W5GM. I have held my license for almost 12 years. W5GM is a "Vanity" callsign although it really has no significance to me at all. I opted to apply for it so that I would be instantly recognized as an extra class operator and its nice, short and easy to send in morse code. I had no problem paying the application fee, however I feel the renewal fee is absurd. I do not believe for one second there is more expense in managing a vanity callsign vs. a sequentially issued callsign. If the commission is looking to reduce costs and streamline operations, I would recommend that you revamp the vanity application process to eliminate the lottery process that is in place at the moment. I would also not be opposed to the commission keeping all vanity fee's whether the application was granted or not.

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Urish
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