

A note from King County Elections

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56 King County Executive (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



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This year's election for King County Executive provides voters a clear choice between the old way of partisan politics or the new way of BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER TO GET THINGS DONE – that's my commitment to you.

As the Executive Director of an arts, science and education foundation, as well as years of service in leadership roles at the Seattle Symphony, Children's Hospital and Salvation Army, I've established a successful record of bringing diverse people and interests together to solve complex problems.

I am a **BUDGET REFORMER, NOT A CAREER POLITICIAN**. I do NOT believe the answer to budget problems is a higher fee or new tax. I'll use my leadership experience in the private and non-profit sectors to cut wasteful spending and balance the budget.

I'LL WORK for the PEOPLE of King County to:

HELP SMALL BUSINESSES CREATE JOBS. Small businesses are the engine of our economy. I'll fight for tax incentives for small businesses to create new jobs, encourage businesses to locate here, and keep existing businesses from leaving.

EASE CONGESTION THROUGHOUT OUR REGION. Traffic gridlock is killing jobs. I'll appoint a leader to coordinate our transportation policy so our multiple agencies work together to cut costs and increase efficiency.

PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT. I'll work cooperatively with environmental, labor and business groups toward goals that serve our entire community.

I am proud to be **ENDORSED BY DEMOCRATS:** Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen, State Auditor Brian Sonntag and former Congressman Don Bonker, **AND REPUBLICANS:** Attorney General Rob McKenna, former Governor Dan Evans and former Secretary of State Ralph Munro. If you want positive change, and strong, independent leadership, I humbly ask for your support.

Working together we can again make King County the best place to live and work. Thank you for your vote!



Dow Constantine

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Occupation: Chair: County Council, Sound Transit Operations; former State Senator; Attorney

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Dow Constantine: Real Reform – and Results to Prove It
Dow Constantine is a no-nonsense reformer who knows how to lead on tough issues. Dow was the first candidate for King County Executive to offer a plan to reform King County and cut county benefit costs, praised by *The Seattle Times* as "a dose of economic reality."

Instead of sound bites, Dow leads by example: passing a countywide hiring freeze, slashing administrative costs, and implementing performance measures. His budget plan identifies \$75 million in savings, streamlining bureaucracy and cutting

overhead. **Dow will balance the budget and protect core services, from parks to public safety, without new taxes.** His proposal was hailed by the Times as "the most detailed blueprint to date for balancing the 2010 budget."

A Vision for All of King County: Dow represents suburban, rural, and urban neighborhoods. Dow rejects tired political divisions that pit communities against each other.

A Champion for Jobs: The son of teachers and grandson of a sawmill worker, Dow will cut red tape for small businesses, fight for new careers in clean energy and biotechnology, and protect manufacturing jobs.

Proven Transportation Leadership: Dow helped lead the successful effort to expand light rail across King County. He proposed hundreds of millions in Sound Transit savings, and shifting funds from ferry expansion proposals to save Metro bus service.

Genuine Environmental Commitment: Dow helped stop a multinational mining company from despoiling Puget Sound, and led with action on climate change, preserving open space, and saving parks from threats of closure.

Dow Constantine offers plain-spoken, honest leadership, committed to reform that is true to our fundamental values.

Select Endorsements: Firefighters; Paramedics; Sierra Club; Conservation Voters; County Democrats; business leaders; NARAL Pro-Choice; Planned Parenthood Votes; County Labor Council; Senator Maria Cantwell; Senator Patty Murray.

Highest Rated: Municipal League



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As your Sheriff, I had to cut 87 deputies and critical personnel last year because of the county budget crisis. And more cuts are scheduled for this year. That's why I need your vote and your help now to fight for the protection you deserve.

As the top law enforcement officer of Washington State's largest county, I oversee an organization of over 1000 employees

and a \$150 million budget in a county that spans over 2,100 square miles. This includes providing police services to 12 cities, Metro Transit, Sound Transit, the Muckleshoot Tribe, the United States Forest Service, and the King County International Airport.

It is my job to sound the alarm when police services drop below the level you elected me to uphold. The budget may be in crisis, but I will not stand by silently while deputies are cut and county programs such as the foot ferries and high priced bureaucrats take valuable resources we should be using to protect you. I need you to pay attention to budget talks this year – and join me in telling your County Councilmembers that we cannot cut this Sheriff's budget any further.

It has been my honor to serve you. Together, let's ensure that King County remains a safe place to live.

Sue Rahr spent 30 years rising through the Sheriff's office ranks – from patrol deputy to head of the Gang Unit to Chief of Field Operations. Sue was appointed Sheriff to finish the term of now-Congressman Dave Reichert, and faced the voters in 2005, winning with a 77% majority. She was elected the first female sheriff in King County's 155 year history. She is the only woman on the National Sheriff's Association Executive Board and frequently speaks on behalf of urban sheriffs.

58 King County Assessor (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



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I have the experience and the backbone to be the "Taxpayers' Advocate" - as your next King County Assessor.

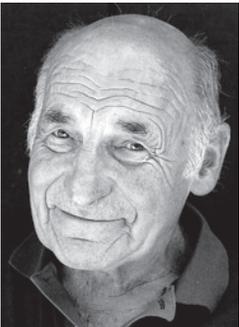
My qualifications and experience are ideal to lead the Assessor's Office. I have been a full-time appraisal professional since the age of 22. At age 26 I was promoted to manage a large appraisal department in Bellevue. I am one of fewer than 700 people nationwide certified to teach the Appraisal Standards course that

all licensed appraisers must pass, and have trained many new appraisers - including some who now work in the Assessor's Office. In addition to working as an appraiser, I serve as an instructor at North Seattle Community College and the Rockwell Institute, instructing my students that high standards are not negotiable.

I know what it takes to stand up for your interests. As a former Washington Mutual employee I was appalled at the sub-standard property appraisals they were using to make bad loans. I publicly exposed their disreputable appraisal practices. The collapse of the banking giant is a potent reminder that lax appraisal standards can have disastrous effects. I fought for fiscal prudence to protect borrowers and shareholders, and, as King County Assessor I'll fight just as hard to protect your interests as property owners.

As your Assessor, I will • Work to ensure homeowners are taxed on a realistic assessment of their home, not on the peak value from the boom years • Maintain professionalism and ethics within our nationally recognized assessor's department • Be a prudent manager of your resources • Bring fresh ideas from the private sector.

King County taxpayers need an Assessor who is competent and fair. I proved with WaMu that I will stand up for what is right. I'm ready to serve as your Assessor. I ask for your vote.



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Gene Lux has been a resident of King County since 1942. After graduating from Cleveland High School and working in the home building industry, Gene took many correspondence courses and attended extension courses at U.W. Gene has served 12 years on the Group Health Coop Board, now serves as the senior caucus representative on the Washington Senior Lobby Board in Olympia.

Gene has been a general contractor and residential property developer since the 1950s.

In the early 1970s and 80s Gene served 13 years in the Washington House of Representatives with two appointments to the Washington State Senate.

Gene has served on the Washington State Health Care Authority, Public Employee Benefits Board and on the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Board.

As a fire Commissioner for Fire District #20 in the unincorporated area of Skyway he is very aware of how critical the Dept. of Assessments affects the district budget.

Gene has served on the board of the King County Fire Commissioners Association as well as the Washington State Fire Commissioners Association.

Gene has lived in the West Hill area for 30 years and serves as a board member on the West Hill Community Council.

Your support is appreciated.



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The work of the Assessor's Office has a direct effect on the property taxes you pay. Your next assessor needs to have a record of solid management skills, integrity, and dealing with taxpayers in a fair and open manner.

I fit the bill. I'm **Lloyd Hara**, and I'm asking for your vote.

I've spent my career working for you – as a national award-winning Seattle City Treasurer and King County Auditor, an Army officer, regional FEMA Director, and currently as a watchdog – not a lapdog – on the Port Commission.

I've successfully run complex public agencies dealing in financial matters, managing hundreds of employees, and holding myself and the agencies to the highest public accountability standards. I'm a proven manager, not just a number cruncher.

Here's what I'll do: **Fight** to get seniors greater property tax relief -- **Ensure** your property is fairly and equitably assessed at current values -- **Reform** the Assessor's office to be more accessible, so taxpayers get questions answered -- **Order** a performance audit to find out what's right, what's wrong, and then fix it.

Times are tough for our neighbors who have lost wages, life savings, even their homes. Plunging real estate values have spurred a record number of property tax appeals. This is no time for unnecessary risks -- King County needs a proven manager with a record of fairness and integrity. I'd appreciate your vote.

I am endorsed by over 700 civic leaders, organizations, former officials, and prominent citizens, including Speaker Frank Chopp, former Auburn Mayor Chuck Booth, King County Democrats, Bull Moose Republicans, Aerospace Machinists Local 751, Builders United in Legislative Development, Seattle Councilmember Richard Conlin, Inlandboatmen's Union, Bellevue Councilmember Conrad Lee, Sea-Tac Fire Fighters, State Representatives Eric Pettigrew, Judy Clibborn, Dave Upthegrove, State Sen. Claudia Kauffman, and Carpenters and Joiners Local 1797.



Bob Rosenberger

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Education: University of Washington, BA Sociology; International Association of Assessing Officers, advanced classes including Assessment Administration

King County deserves an Assessor who will be ready to work from day one. That Assessor is Bob Rosenberger, a widely respected and experienced professional who knows what it takes to ensure that: • You pay only your fair share of taxes • Teachers, firefighters, nurses, and police keep providing needed services through fair and accurate distribution of levies • Senior citizens stay in their homes in the face of changing economic conditions.

Bob is the only candidate with 24 years of prime responsibility

for appraising thousands of complex properties across the county – from the home you might own or rent all the way up to large commercial and industrial projects.

While the Assessor's office has won awards for service and outreach, Bob will place more information on the web and improve communication with other agencies.

Bob Rosenberger understands the technical aspects of tax law. He understands real estate; he spent seven years in brokerage, and now invests in residential property. He knows the importance of reliable results.

Bob served as shop steward and has been a local leader in the International Association of Assessing Officers. He has attended five International Conferences as well as qualifying as an instructor.

In these hard times, Bob knows where to cut costs while improving outcomes. He will run a leaner and greener department to the benefit of the taxpayers.

Bob Rosenberger believes in current value appraising to assure accuracy and fairness. He will work to reduce exemptions that merely shift taxes onto the rest of us.

King County voters need an Assessor who won't create more risk in an already risky economic environment. That is why Bob Rosenberger has the endorsements of former Assessor Ruthie Ridder, Senator Margarita Prentice, Senator Joe McDermott, Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos, and other regional leaders.

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(nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



Bob Blanchard

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Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

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I have the experience to make the tough decisions, to be fair and to operate with the highest integrity. I am a Certified Public Accountant that has conducted audits of public entities, as well as, government programs. I have been an officer and tax manager of a national real estate developer and management company. I have appealed property assessments in various jurisdictions. I am a Vietnam era Veteran. I was a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne. I have the toughness and management skills to head a department undergoing budget cuts.

A June 1, 2009 state audit criticizes the assessor's office for not having adequate policies and procedures over personal property tax refunds. A spokesman at the Assessor's office recently stated that he has only two people to deal with the 13,000+ tax appeals. He is quoted as saying "something has to change." I understand effective internal controls and I will take action to insure that these problems are addressed.

Current and future budget cuts will require the Assessor to re-allocate resources. I will return to reassessing property every two years like many other counties do, saving both manpower and other expenses. My experience working as a CPA auditor will enable me to assess the problems and take corrective actions.

It is clear that government will be required to operate with less revenue. Taxpayers are hurting. The answer is not new taxes. The Assessor's office will need to operate more efficiently and at a lower cost.

I offer King County Voters the opportunity to elect someone who has operated his own business. I know when times are tough you have to make adjustments on the way you operate. My private sector business experience has given me the management skills to provide the leadership needed. I ask for your vote.



Julia Patterson

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Occupation: King County Councilmember

Education: B.A. Society and Justice, WSU; B.A. English, UW

A recognized, award winning leader in regional governance, Julia Patterson serves South King County with hard work, distinction and honor. Julia comes from four generations of Washingtonians, involved in and committed to our community. She has continued this tradition by raising her family here, serving us in the State Legislature, and now on the King County Council.

As Chair of the King County Council, Julia pioneered the creation and initial funding of the new Lake to Sound trail system; eventually connecting the communities of Des Moines, SeaTac, Tukwila, Kent and Renton.

As Chair of the King County Board of Health, Julia successfully passed into law nationally recognized legislation requiring that chain restaurants provide nutritional information on menus, and the elimination of trans fats from our foods.

As a member of the Sound Transit Board of Directors, Julia convincingly advocated for Light Rail's extension to the airport, additional trips on the Sounder rail system, and a new station for Renton/Tukwila.

Chosen Public Official of the Year by the Kent Chamber of Commerce, Julia provides South County communities with a respected, knowledgeable voice on matters relating to transit, public health, transportation/trails, and efficient government.

Julia Patterson - **A RECORD OF RESULTS.**

Court of Appeals, Division No. 1, District No. 1 **Judge Position No. 3** (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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Education: She received her law degree from UW in 1974.

Biographical Information

Judge Ellington was a Supreme Court law clerk, an assistant attorney general, and partner in a local law firm before her election to King County Superior Court, where she served for 10 years and was the first woman elected as Presiding Judge. She was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 1995.

Candidate Statement

Growing up in a large family, Judge Ellington learned to work hard and share the good things. She believes in respect and fairness toward those who appear before her, and strives for justice and clarity in her decisions. She is regarded as a

fair, practical, and hardworking judge and has a reputation for integrity, intelligence, legal ability, compassion, and courage.

Our courts are the centerpiece of our democracy. Without the rule of law, we would have no freedom. Judge Ellington believes our courts must be independent, accessible and responsive. She is passionate about her work and about her efforts to ensure access to the courts and to reduce delay.

Judge Ellington receives excellent ratings ("exceptionally well qualified") and has been honored three times as Outstanding Judge (King County Bar Association, Washington Women Lawyers, and Washington State Trial Lawyers Association). She received the Judicial Leadership Award from the Access to Justice Board, the President's Award from the National Association of Women Lawyers, the White Ribbon Award from the Washington Coalition of Citizens with disAbilities, and was named Distinguished Alumna by UW law women's caucus.

She regards the opportunity to serve on the court as a great privilege and responsibility, and is honored to serve this community. Please vote to re-elect her. Thank you.

Endorsements

Supporters include [Governor Christine Gregoire](#), [Chief Justice Gerry Alexander](#), [King County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Satterburg](#), former [Superior Court Presiding Judge Charles V. Johnson](#), [Ruth Woo](#), [Judy Maleng](#), and the [37th District Democrats](#).

62 Port of Seattle Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



John Creighton

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Re-elect John Creighton: Effective Leadership, Real Reform

An independent, progressive thinker, John Creighton has championed family wage jobs, public accountability and environmental sustainability as your Seattle Port Commissioner. Committed to improving competitiveness and trade, John has worked effectively on transportation and freight mobility issues important to the region.

John understands that one out of every three jobs in the region is based on international trade, yet the Port risks falling behind in its ability to drive economic development in King County. That's why he has worked hard to:

- Increase the number of family wage jobs generated by Port operations.
- Ensure that critical Port infrastructure is built, maintained and protected with the least burden to taxpayers.
- Implement real reform of Port operations, including more accountable contracting, internal audits, stronger staff oversight, and better controls and procedures.
- Strengthen the Port's commitment to the environment.
- Explore productive areas of cooperation with other ports and regional governments in the Northwest.

John is working effectively to bring new energy and leadership to the challenges facing the Port. That's why he has the support of a wide cross-section of our region's leaders, from business, labor, environmental, community and many other sectors, Democrats, Republicans and Independents.

"Creighton has demonstrated a clear vision for the future of our Port and we're confident he'll continue to lead on environmental issues on the Commission." -- Washington Conservation Voters

"John sees the big picture and understands that keeping the Port competitive requires a responsible fiscal policy and a close eye on costs in the interests of both tenants and taxpayers. He has the leadership to deliver for working families, businesses and ultimately for the residents of King County." -- Brad Tilden, President, Alaska Airlines

Please join them in supporting John Creighton for Seattle Port Commissioner!



Rob Holland

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Rob Holland For Port Commission

Direct Port Experience

Rob is the only candidate in this position with diverse, hands-on Port experience—a nearly two decade career working with shipping companies, trucking and freight firms, trade and development offices, and industrial real estate.

Rob is uniquely qualified to bring accountability and a renewed focus on job creation, community protection and environmental stewardship to build a world class Port that drives our regional economy.

A Plan For Jobs

Supported by small business leaders, unions and waterfront industries, Rob is the only candidate with a detailed plan for job creation, with a focus on “green” jobs that make our Port not only competitive, but sustainable.

Caring for Communities

Rob will make sure that communities and neighborhoods around Port facilities are respected and treated fairly. Rob’s goal is to resolve issues BEFORE they become time and resource wasting problems.

Environmental Stewardship

Rob will follow through on commitments to make the Port a partner in Puget Sound cleanup, reduce greenhouse emissions, and meet clean air targets.

Endorsements That Matter

According to *The Seattle Times*, “The Port Commission needs people who are smart, who will do the work, and who have a broad view of the public’s interest and how the Port fits into it. We endorse Rob Holland.”

Also endorsed by Sierra Club, King County Democrats; King County Labor Council; Rep. Adam Smith; more than a dozen legislators, Mayors of Kent, SeaTac, Burien; firefighters; business leaders and hundreds more...



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David Doud will continue reforming the Port, ensure that the work of the Port is done ethically and fight to bring new jobs to King County. David is someone the voters can count on to make sure that Port contracts and leases benefit King County taxpayers.

The Port of Seattle links our state to the world’s economy – and it’s our best hope for creating jobs and getting our region out of this recession. David graduated from a top international business school, has worked here and abroad in business, and understands the importance of family wage jobs to our local economy.

Currently there are no Port Commissioners from outside Seattle, though the Port serves and derives taxes from all of King County. David’s county-wide endorsements demonstrate that he will represent the north, south and east reaches of the county as well as Seattle on the Commission. David has support from over a dozen mayors, including Bothell, Auburn, Bellevue, Enumclaw and Federal Way.

David Doud’s bipartisan endorsements include Democrats like former Governor Booth Gardner, former Seattle Mayors Charles Royer and Wes Uhlman, State Democratic Legislators Judy Clibborn, Deb Eddy, Mark Ericks, Larry Springer and civic leaders such as Ken Bunting and Nate Miles. Republican endorsements include Attorney General Rob McKenna, County Council members Kathy Lambert, Jane Hague, Reagan Dunn, and Peter von Reichbauer. Even Seahawks Quarterback Matt Hasselbeck supports him. Finally, David is endorsed by community leader Al Yuen, his other primary opponent.

Six unions who have labor contracts with the Port have raised over \$120,000 to buy the Port Commission. David’s opponent is being supported by out-of-state labor organizations who want to control the Port. David is an independent voice, not someone in the back pocket of the union bosses. David Doud is running for the taxpayers of King County.

64 Port of Seattle Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Tom Albro

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Education: University of Washington, BS Civil Engineering; American Marshall Memorial Fellow; Leadership Tomorrow.

Tom Albro has a wide spectrum of support in the region, from **Washington Conservation Voters** to the **Eastside Business Alliance**, from *The Seattle Times* to *the Stranger*. In addition, he has **Allied Arts**, the **Board of Realtors**, and is the only candidate for Port Commission to receive an **“Outstanding” rating by the Municipal League**.

In the primary, special interests bankrolled by out-of-state organized labor called themselves “Port Reform,” putting

\$120,000 in the bank to oppose candidates not partisan to them. But, they underestimated the public’s demand for impartiality and honest debate. Beware of their tactics in the General Election.

Tom won the primary by more than 30,000 votes. Tom Albro is an independent voice, not a career politician, nor a pawn of special interests.

Tom believes that rebuilding the public’s confidence in the Port is imperative, but its key role is being the engine that drives the region’s economy. He says: **“Lots of other Ports want our business and our jobs – from Los Angeles to Vancouver to the Panama Canal: our job is to be more competitive and not be beaten by Ports with lower worker or environmental standards.”**

Tom says, **“I also have a strong, passionate commitment to reducing the Port’s environmental impacts by implementing smart operating practices, more innovation and wise stewardship.”**

Local leaders from both sides of the aisle support Tom Albro: Gov. Dan Evans (former), Rep. Deb Eddy, Rep. Eric Pettigrew, Mayors Ava Frisinger (Issaquah), Grant Degginger (Bellevue), King County Council Member Peter von Reichbauer, and former Council Member Peter Steinbrueck (Seattle).

Tom knows how to move freight and people (owner of Seattle Monorail Services, former manager at UPS) and owned his first business before he was 30. He recently merged his local medical records business with a national firm, preserving the jobs locally.



Max Vekich

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The old ways of doing business at the Port of Seattle are over. It’s time to move forward with experienced leadership committed to reform, job creation and environmental stewardship.

Instead of another insider, we need an advocate who will open doors to trade, improve accountability, and be a true partner for Puget Sound cleanup.

I’ve served eight years as a legislator chairing critical trade and economic development committees, worked on the docks as a longshoreman and marine trade representative,

and spent a lifetime fighting for good jobs and open, transparent government.

On the Port Commission I’ll be a strong, principled voice for change, and bring needed legislative and coalition building skills to this critical position. I’ll be a voice for all the people of King County, not a select few: Transparency and Accountability

The Port has been distracted by scandal and fraud—undermining public confidence. I bring the oversight experience to ensure the Port does what the public asks and pays for. I’ll fight for policies that increase transparency!

Environmental Leadership

I’ll work to implement new technologies that reduce ship emissions, work with truckers to ‘green’ their trucks, make the Port a lead agency in the Duwamish cleanup, and help reduce jet noise and emissions.

Protect and Expand Jobs

I’ll fight to preserve and create jobs at the Port and in the many Port-dependent businesses. I will focus on long term competitiveness and preserve Fisherman’s Terminal and our urban industrial areas to protect jobs.

I’m proudly endorsed by King County Democrats, Senator Maria Cantwell, Congressmen Jay Inslee and Adam Smith, over 35 current and former State Legislators, Rogelio Riojas of SEA MAR, Port Commissioner John Creighton, King County Labor Council, Seattle/King County Building and Construction Trades Council, environmental leaders and many, many others.

I ask for your vote.

City of Burien
Council Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Sue Blazak

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Thanks for the opportunity to serve as your Burien Councilmember and Deputy Mayor. During these past four years, I have met with many of you, hearing your concerns and hopes for Burien. I have worked to maintain public safety, advocated for a much needed community center, supported economic growth, and established relationships with public and private partners to help make the most of limited resources.

Burien continues to be a bright spot, even in these times of fiscal uncertainty. The city has managed its finances effectively and is in a strong position to weather the current economic downturn. I look forward to maintaining this strength. Town Square, City Hall, the Library and Jacob Ambaum Park - these are a few of the completed projects. But there is still much to be done.

I ask for your vote and the privilege of continuing to serve.



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Education: Mt. Rainier High School and Seattle University

During my 2003-2007 term on the Burien City Council I promised I would work for you, and **I delivered**. Four new parks, Seahurst Beach Restoration, Town Square, and early childhood education funding.

Unfortunately, since leaving the council, Burien has become blighted with uncompleted projects, 1st Avenue reconstruction is 3 years overdue, storefronts empty, senior and community centers unbuilt, and police services cut.

Burien needs to get back on track. Zoning code errors have increased crime and perpetuated slumlike conditions, police services must be increased to perform crime prevention, not reaction; protect our most vulnerable citizens through a nonprofit agency service center, and enhance our environment by completing the Seahurst Beach restoration.

As a 3rd generation area resident, I realize the importance of **preserving** the special character of Burien. **I'll work to Build a Better Burien, not another Bellevue.**

Endorsed by Burien Councilmembers Gordon Shaw, Rose Clark, and Kathy Keene.

Council Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Joan McGilton

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Re-Elect Joan McGilton: I have truly appreciated your support for my eight years on Burien City Council and four years served as Mayor. I take this responsibility to serve Burien residents as well as business owners and operators very seriously. I work hard to listen to your concerns and suggestions and take real action based on your priorities. I take my position as a steward of community life to heart in order to protect and advance Burien's quality of life. I value the transformations happening in Burien Town Square, the new City Hall and Library, the magnificent Town Square Park, the new Transit Center and all of the new commercial activity in downtown is extraordinary. I am proud to have been a part of this move to the future.

With your vote, I'll continue to work hard, listen, and be responsive and be accountable to the citizens of Burien.

66 **City of Burien**
Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Rose Clark

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Education: Library Operations classes, Computer Classes, Para Professional Test Complete

During my 8 years as a Councilmember and Deputy Mayor, Burien has moved forward. Implementing our Town Square Vision, the strengthening of neighborhood emergency preparedness, the many festivals and summer programs, have made this a better place to live and raise a family.

I have worked hard to ensure stable property taxes, downtown business vitality and public safety. I worked to include the development principles for the Northeast Redevelopment Area in the adopted Comprehensive Plan of 1997, then helped implement them on Council. I look forward to continuing our forward progress.

I will work to replace crumbling sidewalks, storm water issues, balancing the budget, and keeping our city the wonderful family friendly community we all love. I will also work hard to ensure our city government is as transparent as our new council chambers.

I ask for your continued support and your vote.
Thank you for your support.

Council Position No. 7 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Brian Bennett

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Occupation: Corporate Counsel for F5 Networks, a Seattle-based global technology company

Education: J.D., New York University School of Law; B.A., University of Washington

My family has lived in the Highline area for four generations. Burien is a great place to live and work, but it can be even better.

As a business attorney who has also worked in government, I will bring to the City Council knowledge of the law and public policy. I currently serve on the Burien Planning Commission and am the Chair of the Shoreline Advisory Committee.

Our City government must be responsive and accountable, ensuring that services are delivered efficiently and that every penny of your tax dollars is spent wisely. I will work to protect our environmental treasures and neighborhoods from inappropriate development. I am committed to improving Burien's business climate and increasing the number of family-wage jobs in our city.

I want to make certain that Burien is a city where all its residents and businesses have the opportunity to thrive. I ask for your vote.



Anne Farmer

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Occupation: Oncology Specialty Sales Representative for Abbott

Education: Masters of Business Administration from City University of Seattle

I have a simple plan to bring back the *spirit of the waterland*. First, we must improve the **public safety** and **public image** of the city. As an 8 year resident of Des Moines, I have been forced to contend with increasing drug related crime in my neighborhood. The only way to improve the safety and well being of our neighborhoods is to hire **more police officers** and place more emphasis on community awareness.

Secondly, we must **improve zoning restrictions** near Marine View Drive in order to encourage **new development**. Lastly, the city needs to **reduce frivolous expenditures** and reallocate funding towards activities that will **improve quality of life** and **attract new businesses** to our community.

As your new council representative I will fight all of these issues and represent the best interest of our community. I will not stand by and watch our city deteriorate and neither should you!



Matt Pina

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Occupation: Manager, Information Technology Quality Assurance

Education: Bachelor of Science with Financial Emphasis – Central Washington University

I am a **forty year resident** of Des Moines, an **experienced** elected representative and have a history of bringing community and government together to **solve challenging issues**. My background is in Business, Finance and Technology.

As a city councilmember, I will give **priority** to key government services ensuring **community safety** and **stability**. Additionally, my focus will be on the city's **revitalization** and redevelopment. I will **partner with citizens, community groups and businesses**, to understand their concerns and communicate their input during the decision making process. We **must move forward together** in a way that will improve the city's business climate while being sensitive to the needs and desires of its citizens.

I am proud to call Des Moines my home. I look forward to working together to redevelop and **revitalize this wonderful Waterland city**.

Council Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Melissa Ponder

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Occupation: Consultant, Photographer, Parent

Education: B.A. Liberal Arts - The Evergreen State College

I am an 18 year Des Moines resident and parent of four. During that time I have served as local representative to King County Civil Rights Commission, volunteer at Des Moines Elementary school, and member Highline Advisory Council on Cultural Competency and Academic Achievement. Many of you know me through my small photography business.

Now, I am asking your support to serve as councilmember on our city council. As a councilmember I will work to represent and be accountable to all the people of Des Moines. I will focus on public safety, health, economic sustainability and broadened outreach to the diverse population that makes our city special.

Even in these tough times we can encourage business development that is smart, compatible, and appropriate for our city. Improving economic viability will bring us closer to a sustainable budget that can support services our citizens deserve.

Thank you for your vote.



Carmen L. Scott

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Occupation: Relocation Assistance

Education: Some college, continuing education

In eight years on the council, I have worked to meet the needs of our citizens, and I will continue to work to make Des Moines the kind of city we all want. Des Moines is on the edge of great things - - projects that will help create a tax base that can support the services people want - including police, parks, and services for kids and families. We've faced tough times in the last few years, but we've kept our city working. Now we must concentrate on reducing the heavy tax burden on residents. That means taking advantage of opportunities in Pacific Ridge, the business park, and downtown. Now is not the time to turn your back on our city. Together, we can give Des Moines a vibrant downtown core, safe streets, and a responsive government.

I need your vote on November 3rd to make it happen.

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Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Melissa Musser

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Occupation: Community Association Manager

I've lived in the Des Moines area for over 16 years and have loved all that this small town offers its residents, but I think we can do more. I have been a vocal advocate for kids and families in the Highline District serving in many capacities with Washington State PTA. In my career as a community manager, I have a strong understanding of multifamily housing regulations, land use laws, and what happens when short sighted developers don't have a vision for the future of their housing projects.

I'm running to serve our city to represent the working families who want to see safe neighborhoods in which to raise our kids, a strong and thriving parks and recreation department that allows us to enjoy quality programs in our own back yards and a vibrant downtown corridor allowing us to shop, eat and enjoy a night out without leaving Des Moines.

Council Position No. 7 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Dave Kaplan

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Occupation: Executive Director, Washington Self-Insurers Association; Des Moines City Councilmember

Education: BA in Political Science, University of Washington; MBA, George Washington University

Des Moines is at a crossroads. We can continue on a path toward a sound financial footing, based on thoughtful economic development, or we can backslide into an uncertain future. We have begun to take the steps necessary for a thriving, vibrant community, while maintaining the storied history and the natural beauty that make Des Moines home.

Whether it was streamlining the permitting process, fighting for more police, protecting our streams and shoreline, pushing for needed road and bridge repairs, or working toward a sustainable budget, I'm the councilmember who has taken the lead. I don't believe in governing by gut instinct or emotion. Sound, thoughtful and reasoned analysis and debate are my style.

Four years ago I promised that I would work hard, apply common sense, and make independent decisions with integrity. I hope I've earned your trust. I ask again for your vote.



Susan White

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Occupation: Realtor

Education: Two years, Business and Marketing, Arapahoe Junior College

We're in a time of economic uncertainty. It's time to focus on essential government services. I'm asking you to re-elect me so I can continue to get value for our tax dollars by focusing on essential government services such as public safety, street repair, business development and our parks.

In other words, I will continue to work for a Des Moines City Council that is efficient, transparent and accountable to taxpayers.

In the past eight years, I've worked with the state to preserve Des Moines' historical buildings and was a forceful advocate for constructing new school buildings. I currently chair the South King County Economic Development Initiative working to bring businesses to South King County.

I'm endorsed by the King County Association of Realtors, County Councilmember Julia Patterson, Senator Karen Keiser, Representative Dave Upthegrove, and our local firefighters.

Thank you for your past support. I ask for your vote.



Suzette Cooke

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Occupation: Mayor of Kent

Education: BA degree, Western Washington University; business administration post-graduate work, University of Puget Sound

As Kent Mayor, I delivered on my promise to work with you to build a quality livable city for our diverse population. I initiated 17 **neighborhood councils** to improve communication and service. We have **new businesses** and **safer neighborhoods and parks**. With increased police patrols, burglaries dropped 30% and vehicle crimes dropped 47%. We built **Town Square Plaza** and **ShoWare Center** without increasing taxes. I've secured millions for **railroad/street grade separations** and **Green River levees**.

With your support, I will continue to **reduce spending** to manage the budget through the recession while maintaining your priorities.

Suzette Cooke's 34 years of serving Kent residents include four as mayor, six as state representative, eleven as Kent Chamber of Commerce executive director, six as Kent Senior Center director, 26 years owning a Kent business, and charter president of Kent-Sunrise Rotary.

*Endorsed by Kent Police and Firefighters Unions. Municipal League rating: **Outstanding**.*



Jim Berrios

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Occupation: Owner, Golden Steer restaurant; former Director of Operations for Denny's

Education: Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, CA

I am running for mayor because our city needs more principled leadership in challenging times.

Kent's budget is in crisis. As mayor, **my top priority will be getting the budget under control** by prioritizing critical services and cutting administrative overhead. **The current administration has increased annual spending on mayor's office staff by \$1 million.** That's not acceptable, especially in times like these.

I will lead by example – **my first act will be cutting the mayor's office budget and giving back 10% of my salary to the city.**

As **School Board President**, I helped guide the district through similar challenges. By bringing parents, teachers, and students together, we came up with a plan to ensure our kids get a great education despite budget cuts.

As a **small business owner**, I know what it takes to run a business and balance a budget. I'll take those lessons with me to city hall.

Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



Jamie Danielson

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Occupation: Attorney

Education: Law Degree. B.S. degree, Public Policy and B.A. degree, Political Science.

As a lifetime Kent-area resident, I am invested in our community's future. Just as families are hurting and forced to do more with less in these tough economic times, our city should do the same. Now more than ever, strong leadership is essential. I will work to maintain critical city services while creating a sustainable city budget to ensure that future generations enjoy the same opportunities I have had.

The key to strengthening our city is to keep and create jobs. As the daughter of small business owners, I understand the stresses entrepreneurs face as well as the vital role they play in our community. I will support our local businesses while making our community an inviting destination for new companies. To do this, we must ensure that businesses enjoy solid infrastructure, strong public safety, an educated work force, and a user-friendly permit system.

Thank you for your support.

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Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



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Occupation: Small Business Owner -
Medical Billing Service

I am a lifetime resident of the City of Kent and feel strongly that I have a personal responsibility to be involved in my community.

I am a long time member of the Land Use and Planning Board and currently serve as Chair. I am serving my second term as President of the Kent Arts Commission. I have also served on a variety of committees including the Transportation Master Plan and Short Platt Committee. I have been a member of the PTA since 2001. I am a small business owner and have been in business in Kent for the past 14 years.

I feel that this combination makes me uniquely qualified to serve as a City of Kent Council Member. My experience will allow me to jump right in and make informed decisions from day one.



Dennis R. Higgins

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Occupation: Information Technology
Manager

Education: B.A., Geography, University of
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Dennis R. Higgins has the experience Kent needs on the City Council. An award-winning volunteer and leader in PTA, Dennis has volunteered with the school district to plan facilities, review budgets and boundaries, and on levy-election campaigns.

Dennis is the Client Services Manager of the King County GIS Center, where he implements solutions addressing all aspects of local government, including transportation, zoning, public safety, emergency management, public health and human services. His job is to help citizens and governments make better decisions using maps, data and research.

Dennis wants to help develop Kent's economy, and work to preserve and enhance public safety and the environment. His information technology background and experience as a commuter will help him craft cost-saving and innovative solutions to Kent's problems.

Dennis, his wife Karyn, and their three daughters have lived on Kent's East Hill for 15 years. He is endorsed by Kent Police and Firefighters.

Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Elizabeth Albertson

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Occupation: Executive Director,
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Education: BA degree, Public Policy and
Community Leadership

Re-Elect Elizabeth Albertson to Kent City Council

Elizabeth Albertson is known in the Kent community as a trusted "go to" person when something needs done. Elizabeth is a proven problem-solver who knows how to work WITH people to achieve results.

Elizabeth realizes that making tough decisions isn't easy, but with her experience on the Council during tough economic times, Elizabeth understands a strong economy creates healthy communities. She supports bringing new and innovative clean industry to Kent.

As your Councilmember, Elizabeth will continue to keep our neighborhoods safe and livable, maintain necessary services for residents like fire and police protection, provide quality transportation options and clean water to drink. While making sure our most vulnerable citizens are not left behind.

Elizabeth will work on OUR issues. Elizabeth cares about OUR community.

Re-Elect Elizabeth Albertson---Your Kent Firefighters support Elizabeth. I would be honored to have your vote.



Geoff Koeppe

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Occupation: Financial Planner

Education: B.A. degree in business

Serving on the city council is a responsibility and an honor. You have a clear choice between two resumes in this election. Geoff has dedication and follow-through. He will attend council meetings and fulfill his commitment to participate. That is the difference.

The issues facing our city are great: economic hard times, Green River flooding challenges, and traffic congestion. Geoff's experience as both a project and financial planner has prepared him to be your advocate for common sense solutions.

Geoff has created strong community relationships through involvement with Junior Achievement, chambers of commerce, the board of his homeowners association and on the Long Term Care Advisory Council. He believes our neighborhood councils are the key to building a livable city and will work to strengthen their role to achieve our shared goals.

Vote for substance over talk. Vote for commitment over absence. Vote for a change. Elect Koeppe.

Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



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Occupation: Judge

Education: Seattle University

Courts exist to do justice, to guarantee liberty, to maintain the rule of law, and to provide for equal protection and due process of law. To this end, judges need to be fair and impartial, competent, and honor the judicial office as a public trust striving to enhance and maintain public confidence in our legal system.

I am running unopposed this term. As your presiding judge, I am committed to improving the quality of access to justice and services at the Kent municipal court. The court has a statewide reputation for excellence due in large part to the quality and commitment of the judges and staff. I look forward to another four years serving this community. Thank you for your vote.

Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Glenn M. Phillips

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I am running for re-election to Kent Municipal Court Judge Position 2. I have served as a judicial officer for the Kent Municipal Court since 1994. It has been an honor to serve you as one of your judges.

I graduated from the University of Evansville, Indiana in 1976 with a BS in Law Enforcement. In 1981, after completing my service in the U.S. Air Force, I graduated with honors from Gonzaga University School of Law. I have 25 years judicial experience as a Magistrate, Judge Pro-Tem, Court Commissioner and Judge. I am dedicated to the improvement of the judiciary in Washington. I have been honored by my peers by being elected President of the Washington State District and Municipal Court Judges Association for the year 2009 - 2010 and serve on the faculty of the Washington State Judicial College.

I would appreciate your consideration and your vote. Thank you.

72 City of Normandy Park Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



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Occupation: Captain DAL, retired; WSBA, inactive member; Steward (Cove); local volunteer.

Education: University of Washington, B.A., Economics; University of Puget Sound, J.D.

My first term serving you on the City Council has been interesting and positively educational. I've enjoyed the brilliant moments when a majority agrees and one has steered the city with your vision for Normandy Park. More work than one expects, lots of reading, extra meetings, committees within and outside the city, and even the occasional door slamming. I knew it would be, having volunteered before. The payoff is the satisfaction of helping maintain and improve our city.

We truly are fortunate to live in Normandy Park. My wife and I have lived here since 1979. But it will take conscientious effort to keep what we have and build a future. I support the safety of our own police department. I love the city parks and walking opportunities. I want to see vibrant shopping opportunities in our commercial districts along with community meeting places. Yet, challenges loom as revenues fall.

Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



John L. Rankin

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This year, hundreds of Normandy Park property owners lost valuable remodel rights and resale value when the City Council voted 4-3 to swallow those properties with buffers by passing the new Critical Areas Ordinance. Going far beyond state requirements, the council dramatically expanded "no-use" buffer zones, as well creating entirely new categories of Critical Areas, with draconian penalties in which defendants are simultaneously charged with both criminal and civil offenses, and fines that could total tens of thousands of dollars, unless they enter "voluntary" correction agreements which require they waive their rights to due process.

Surprisingly, it takes only four-member majorities on the City Council and Planning Commission to strip property owners of their rights, and those majorities are hard at work right now, doing just that. If you care about property rights, come to City Hall and fight back - there are still some worth saving.

Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)

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Marion Yoshino

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the good gentlemen of the Normandy Park City Council, who appointed me to fill a council vacancy last November 2008. During this last year I have had the privilege of working alongside some tremendous volunteers, who donate countless hours of their time to make our community a better place to live.

On this election ballot, voters have the opportunity to support our parks by voting "yes" for the Metropolitan Parks District levy. The Proposition One levy will dedicate funds to keep our parks open and maintained during a period of cutbacks in City spending. It was placed on the ballot by the City Council so that voters could decide for themselves whether or not to pay an additional small tax to secure this funding. If you would like appropriations for our parks to continue, please vote "yes" for Proposition One.

City of SeaTac Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Rick Forschler

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Education: Certified Commissioner; Business Administration, E-Commerce Emphasis; Journeyman Machinist; Vocational Instructor's Certificate

I've lived in this community for 35 years and I have more than 20 years of community service and leadership experience. Most recently: Chair-SeaTac Planning Commission, Chair-SeaTac Human Services Committee, Chair-Valley View Sewer District, Chair-WASWD Technology Committee, and Co-Chair-Highway 99 Action Committee. I'm leading a state-wide technology project to protect critical infrastructure against disasters. After 30 years at Boeing I've retired to work full-time on community service.

I'm a STRONG advocate for the RIGHTS of the SeaTac community and creating a City Ombudsman. SeaTac needs fewer regulations, simpler permitting, lower fees, and fairness in code-enforcement. I support greater financial discipline in SeaTac and thus also an Elected Mayor. We need auditable systems with checks and balances to prevent waste and abuse.

VOTE RICK FORSCHLER, SEATAC CITY COUNCIL POSITION 2
Endorsed by former King County Councilmember Steve Hammond.
See web site for additional endorsements.



Jonathan Standridge

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Occupation: Project Manager / Business Analyst for The Boeing Company

Education: BA Liberal Studies, Seattle University; Masters of Science of Project Management

Jonathan Standridge's neighborhood advocacy and business experience gives us the opportunity to elect an outstanding city councilman.

As a **business performance specialist** with the Boeing Company, he brings cutting edge processes that will enhance communication and speed improvements while keeping taxes low.

As **Neighborhood Association President**, Jonathan heard three wishes: safe streets, walkable neighborhoods and a City that assists residents. "This is doable, if we don't set the city back restructuring unnecessarily. The system just needs tweaking."

A former **teacher/director** of latchkey programming, Jonathan understands children and family needs. He will enhance senior programs, form beneficial partnerships with the school district and support after school activities like the YMCA.

A **U.S. Navy veteran**, Jonathan saw incredible results working with people of different cultures when they came together for a common good. He can bring our diverse communities together to enhance understanding and security.

Jonathan Standridge – a Wise Choice.

Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Michael T. Kovacs

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Occupation: Quality Systems Auditor, The Boeing Company

Education: AA Degree in Quality Assurance Technology, South Seattle Community College

My vision is a transparent city government that needs change with more equal representation for each neighborhood. We need to be accountable to control costs and spending while improving the quality of life. Our customers, the citizens of this community need to have their voices heard and acted upon to improve their quality of life, as it has not happened in the past.

I have served for 8 years as Chair, Secretary and Re-Certification chair with the American Society of Quality Seattle Section. I have been employed for 19 years in business management in the areas of outdoor sporting goods, aerospace, commercial products, and government. I have managed business improvement through the use of financial/process metrics measurement, structured problem solving, team building principles, and conducting complex quality system audits holding ASQ Quality Auditor Certification.

To help drive change please vote for Michael T Kovacs and Proposition 1 November 3.



Tony Anderson

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our community. I will bring a new perspective to our City Council.

I will use my experience as a police lieutenant, involved daily with Homeland Security responsibilities at the airport, to ensure that public safety is the primary focus of the City Council. I will partner with our police and fire departments to enhance the wellbeing of our community.

I will use my perspective as a college instructor and youth counselor to be an outspoken advocate for the best senior and youth programs possible. The new Senior Center and YMCA projects have my support.

I will use the wisdom I've gained as a foster parent and the father of four, to be a responsible voice for families. Clean parks, safe streets, and responsible development create a healthy environment for SeaTac.

I'd be honored to serve this community. I respectfully ask for your vote.

74 **City of SeaTac**
Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



Barry Ladenburg

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SeaTac Councilmember

Education: High School, Technical College

Barry has been an active community member for some time, attending school board, SeaTac council, regional transit, and other community meetings as well as volunteering in the schools and serving as President of the Angle Lake Shore Club. Familiar with issues concerning SeaTac, Barry was appointed to the SeaTac City Council. Listening with an open mind to citizens' concerns is key to his work on the council.

Having lived in the area since 1981, Barry understands local issues. His wife of 28 years grew up here and his children attended public schools in SeaTac. Barry intends to retire in SeaTac and would like to make it the best possible place to live. He hopes to help direct its future by serving on the SeaTac City Council.

Endorsed by: King County Councilmember Julia Patterson, SeaTac Mayor Ralph Shape, SeaTac Councilmember Chris Wythe, CASE President Brett Fish, 33rd District Democrats.



Pam Fernald

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Education: Foster HS, Highline
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Pam Fernald stands for citizen rights; greater government accountability/transparency and fiscal responsibility; neighborhood preservation, and citizen participation in government and community.

Pam is an advocate for our senior citizens whose hard work built this community, and for our children--the future of our community. Her superior record of civic commitments include: Neighbors Without Borders Action Committee (a SeaTac/Tukwila grassroots group), Co-founder/Co-chair; SeaTac Civil Service Commission, Assistant Chief Examiner; Highway 99 Action Committee, Member; SeaTac and Tukwila Citizen Police Academies, Graduate; Block Watch, Captain; Annual Night Out Against Crime, Host and National Coalition Building Institute/COPS and Community Leadership Institute, Member.

Speaking as your voice on the council Pam will act with integrity and common sense to serve taxpayer interests, ensure citizen rights, promote public safety and foster a vibrant, clean, livable SeaTac for you. Please vote for Pam Fernald.

Council Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Verna Griffin

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Education: B.S. Political Science, Public Administration

****I BELIEVE IN TUKWILA!**** For the last four years, Verna has demonstrated her commitment to the people of Tukwila not only as a City Councilmember, but through her continued involvement in the community.

Verna continues to be a “go to” person when something needs to be done. She is serving her eighth year as a member of the City of Tukwila’s Equity & Diversity Commission, remains President of the Tukwila Children’s Foundation, and is past President of the Tukwila Rotary Club. She has served as City Council President and on the council committees and is currently the chair of the Community Affairs and Parks Committee.

“I am working toward the vision of a city which balances the needs of neighborhoods and businesses, champions those who serve and protect us, and safeguards our unique quality of life.”

Believe in Tukwila. Re-elect Verna Griffin to the Tukwila City Council.

Council Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Allan Ekberg

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Education: Masters Degree, Business Administration; Bachelor of Science Business Administration; Criminal Justice Associate Degree

Ekberg’s Core Goals: • Stable city budgets • Fighting crime (I was a recent victim) • Increasing residential quality of life • Adequate fire and aid to all citizens • Responsible animal control

Who Allan is: • Tukwila native who raised his family here • Foster HS graduate • Served our nation (USAF) • Annexation leader • Tukwila Day’s family participant • Tukwila City Council (1990-1997); voluntarily left to raise our kids • Highway 99 Action Committee advisor 1998 • Married 24 years • Planning Commissioner (2003-2009) • HS band treasurer • Experienced in Leadership • Consensus builder • Real-world business experience • I love our community and will keep working hard to make it better.

Why Vote Ekberg: • Active for 20 years in our community with the experience and commitment necessary to keep our neighborhoods strong.

Allan is accessible: Call him; email him. He will represent your concerns!



Jeremy J. Eide

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I was born and raised in Tukwila. I have a daughter in Tukwila elementary, and a son soon to start kindergarten there. I have volunteered in the United States Marine Corps to serve our nation, and now I would like a chance to volunteer for our wonderful city to help make it the best place it can be! Since I have children of my own, I am excited to be part of Tukwila’s plan for the next 20 years.

Since I’m not a politician, I will look at the policies that are before the council with fresh eyes and new ideas! I will leverage citizens concerns to create solutions!

My focus will be to strengthen: *Public safety- Police and Fire *Emergency preparedness *Community involvement

By listening to the citizens of Tukwila and looking at each issue on an individual basis we can make a positive difference for us all.

Council Position No. 7 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



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Occupation: Regional and Local Affairs Director

Education: Bachelor’s Degree

It is an honor and a privilege to serve my community. I work for you and I continue to be committed to making a positive difference. I am willing to listen, make hard decisions and put my experience to work for all in this community. Strong consensus- and relationship-building skills and understanding of the complexities facing our region help me to represent the residents of Tukwila. I want to continue to preserve what makes Tukwila great, while enhancing and developing its resources to strengthen the community. I will continue to protect our unique neighborhoods while promoting smart growth that will add to our quality of life.

Working together, we can provide for Tukwila’s economic vitality, developing fiscally responsible solutions to problems, and ensure a bright future for ourselves and our children. We must make smart choices now together to create the future we want for Tukwila.

*** No statement or photo was submitted for the following candidate:**

Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)
Joe Henry Duffie Sr.

76 **Seattle School District No. 1**
Director District No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Michael DeBell

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Occupation: Business owner

Education: BA Economics UCSD, MA Social Studies HSU, PhD Candidate Political Science UW

I am proud to serve as President of the Seattle School Board, governing a good school district on its way to becoming a great school district. Over the past four years, I have sought to improve academic performance, spend taxpayers' money wisely and sustainably, reform district policy and priorities to align with children's needs, and increase parent engagement and confidence in our schools. As we move forward, I will continue to work hard toward these important goals.

It is critical, however, that as a Board and as a community, we set our sights higher still. Seattle needs high quality schools with innovative programs in every neighborhood. We need high expectations and rigorous standards in every school. We must hold all employees accountable. We must foster engagement, public-private partnerships, and healthy debate on our Board and across our city.

The goals of our Strategic Plan, "Excellence for All," can produce consistent, high quality instruction across the District. The heart of this plan is a performance accountability system for teachers, principals, administrators and schools. We must revitalize our low performing schools quickly and decisively. We must measure the quality of our work and reward excellence.

Change is difficult but worth the effort. All our children, who collectively are Seattle's future, must be given the tools for success so that they may thrive in a challenging local and global economy.

I will continue to listen to students, parents, taxpayers, staff, my fellow elected officials and community leaders across the city to guide my decisions. Great schools require that we all work together. Thank you for the chance to serve our wonderful children. Please support our public schools in every way you can!



Kay Smith-Blum

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Occupation: Butch Blum Inc., CEO (former Neiman Marcus Executive)

Education: University of Texas, Bachelors of Business Administration, Marketing Major

We need to reframe the conversation. This is about an achievement gap – a city not providing a 21st Century education for all our children. Since 1992, Kay Smith-Blum has created community-building strategies that have generated thousands of volunteer hours and poured millions of dollars into our Seattle Public Schools. She knows we can bridge the gap by engaging ALL stakeholders NOW.

We must hear the community's voice PRIOR to policy

proposals that affect the client – our students. We must reach out to new parents and provide pre-school for economically strapped children. From kindergarten on we need: • Foreign language • Rigorous academics • Daily PE • Arts & Music curriculum • Courses for fiscal literacy, citizenship, vocational & entrepreneurial training, environmental and wellness training.

Simple, but bold, changes would include teaching core academics during the hours when students actually learn according to age and creating public/private partnerships so ALL students are prepared for a global marketplace.

Kay and Butch Blum, are Capitol Hill residents, with 3 sons, all of whom attended Seattle Public Schools. Kay has balanced multi-million dollar budgets since age 23 and been a business owner for 28 years. She has served on the PTSA boards of Montlake, WMS and Garfield.

Kay has the best Municipal League rating for her position, rated Very Good. She is endorsed by *The Seattle Times*, *The STRANGER*, the Young Dem's of King County, The KCDCC Exec board, the 43rd Dem's, the Hon. Mary Lou Dickerson, Hon. Jamie Pederson, Hon. Ruth Kagi, Hon. Bobbe Bridge, Hon. Skip Priest, Hon. Jeanne Kohl-Welles, former SSD Directors Don Nielsen and Barbara Schaad Lamphere, Trish Millines Dziko, TAF founder, Tina Podlodowski, James Kelly, Urban League President, Debbi Brainerd, Islandwood founder, community leaders Gayle Johnson, Craig Dawson, Oscar Desper and numerous teachers, principals and activists in Seattle Schools.



Mary E. Bass

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Occupation: Project/Program Manager, King County Department of Transportation

Education: B.A. Economics, UW; Masters Public Administration, focus in Public Policy and Environmental Economics, UW

Mary Bass believes public education is the cornerstone of our democracy. It enables our students to make choices and decisions which lead to a successful life and society.

For eight years, Mary has been a model community leader. Her leadership has connected families to our schools. She has worked tirelessly for fiscal accountability and oversight and for the means to close the achievement gap.

She has taken strong positions to serve all children, advocating for: the strongest high school math program; a neighborhood student assignment plan which build enduring school

communities; the implementation of each academic audit's recommendation for Special Education, Alternative Education, and Bilingual Education; increased state funding (in 12 years Washington State has gone from #26 to #46 in nation); and the implementation of the strongest water remediation plans in the nation. In her advocacy, she has remained resolute.

Corporatization is the single most concerning, overarching issue public education is facing today. As Board President, she led the Board to a 6-1 vote against statewide charter schools and fought against school closures three separate times.

Given another four years, Mary Bass will: • demand that challenging academic programs be placed across the city in all neighborhoods • promote bi-lingualism and multi-lingualism in our schools • ensure that all students get the necessary tools to excel in math and science • champion Washington schools attaining the national average of state financial support.

Keep Mary Bass' experience, compassion and integrity working for all of Seattle's children.

Selected endorsements/rating: King County Democrats, 37th District Democrats, 11th District Democrats, Metropolitan Democratic Club, Highest rating from SEAMEC, Women's Political Caucus, Operating Engineers Local 609, PubliCola.net, Sen. Adam Kline, Rep. Sharon Tomiko Santos, Rep. Eric Pettigrew, King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, Charles Z. and Elie, George Griffin, III, Justin Simmons. Highest rating in SEAMEC

78 **Seattle School District No. 1**
Director District No. 7 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Betty Patu

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Occupation: Retired after 32 years of working for Seattle Public Schools.

Education: BA Educational Leadership, now completing Master's Degree in Education Administration from Antioch University.

There are few who understand the challenges of today's classroom as well as Betty Patu. She has been the trusted friend and professional to whom families, students and administrators have turned to keep kids in school and graduating.

Many at-risk students now come back to school to graduate with their diplomas, thanks to Betty.

Proven Experience

Betty worked tirelessly to create after-school tutoring programs for students, recruiting highly-qualified University students to tutor. She created individual programs to help student's make-up failing credits and successfully directed award-winning programs

to close the achievement gap, grow the number of college-bound students and reduce gang violence.

Proven Leadership

Betty has served as a program administrator and community leader for Seattle Public Schools. She has learned how to find creative solutions for tough budget decisions without compromising her high standards for students. Board membership includes: Asian Counseling Referral Services, Rainier Beach Community Empowerment Coalition, Rainier Beach Foundation, Parent Teachers, Students Association and Founder, Islanders Children & Youth Services.

Proven Results

Betty's efforts have directly increased graduation rates, lowered drop-out rates, and increased family and school partnerships. Her work has won her local and national acclaim: Big Sister "Role Model" Award; Women's Funding Alliance, "Dorothy Bullitt" Award; Asian Counseling Referral Services "Community" Award; Alliance for Education, A+ Excellence in Education Award; International Examiner, "Community Voice" Award; Rainier Beach Community Empowerment Coalition "2007 RB" Award, and Sen. Patty Murray's "Golden Tennis Shoe" award for outstanding community contributions.

Betty's most personal accomplishment: all five of her children graduated from college.

KEY ENDORSERS: NWPC-WA, Metropolitan Democratic Club, 37th and 11th District Democrats, Former School Board Director Michael Preston, State Representatives Sharon Tomiko Santos, Bob Hasegawa, and Eric Pettigrew, Former State Representative Dawn Mason, King County Councilman Larry Gossett, Former Seattle City Council Member David Della.



Wilson Chin

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Occupation: research scientist

Education: bachelor of science University of Washington

My family has a long history of commitment to Seattle Public Schools. My brothers, sisters and I are all products of Seattle Schools. I graduated from Cleveland and earned my BS from the University of Washington.

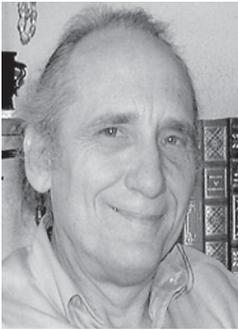
My wife is Tina Young, an educator at Seattle Central Community College. Our four children have always attended south end schools.

Professionally I'm a research scientist at the University of Washington developing HIV trial vaccines. I coach youth basketball and serve on the Building Leadership Team at Kimball Elementary.

I believe Seattle school kids deserve an equitable, quality public education. As director, I'd focus on respecting the rich diversity that all of our students possess; crafting a rigorous, accountable educational environment that prepares college students, skilled workers, and artisans.

I ask for your vote.

Endorsements: Ruth Woo, Garry Owens, Kip Tokuda, George & Pat Robertson, Melinda Mann, Ai Sugiyama



Bill Pirkle

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Occupation: Retired

Education: College Degree in Mathematics

I was a substitute teacher in Federal Way for 3+ years. I have seen and experienced what is going on in schools. As a board member I will be a change agent. I will stir up the mud to get the water to flow again. I will visit schools on a regular basis to inspect. I will sit in on classroom instruction to observe teachers. I will give the kids my phone number and ask them to call me in confidence if they are having problems with school or teachers. No other school board member does this. I will write articles for the *Mirror* and tell the public what is happening, I will expose the stifling politics. I will make board meetings exciting events that the public will want to attend and not the boring meetings that they are now. We can change this. Visit www.bpirkle.com. Please vote.



Ed Barney

Some would have you believe that our district fails to meet the needs of our students. And yet, student performance continues to improve in our District. We have a ways to go and we must continue to build on our successes.

It is the paramount duty of the state to fully fund education; basic education, special education, transportation, etc. The District and the Board continue to fight for equal and ample funding from our legislature.

Our levy dollars are to be used for educational enhancements and extra curricular activities. More and more of these levy dollars are being spent on basic education. We must hold the legislature accountable for education and all unfunded mandates.

We cannot continue to lose Fine Arts, sports and extra curricular programs. They add variety to education. They teach time management, create good study habits, and provide leadership opportunities.

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Director District No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Angela Griffin

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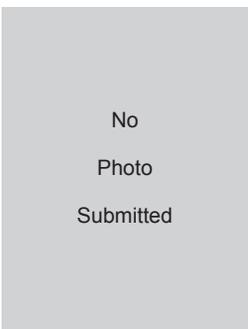
Occupation: Regional Director, Early Childhood

Education: Master of Arts, Education

I am the married mother of three children enrolled in the district's most rigorous academic programs. My experience includes being a Para educator, middle school teacher, and managing non-profit programs in collaboration with public schools. I also have a Master's degree in Education.

Whether it is ensuring my own children receive the best education or supporting the engagement of parents in their children's academic success; children, families, and education are my priority in serving the community. As a parent advocate, I have helped families address complex school issues and our district engage parents in their children's education.

As a member of the Federal Way School Board, I strive to ensure achievement of our district's mission to educate all students in academic knowledge, skills and ability. I am dedicated to make certain our district is maintaining high academic standards, enlisting highly qualified educators, and actively engaging parents at all grade levels.



Steve Skipper

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Occupation: Educator

Education: BS Mathematics, Georgia State University

Are we interested in improving academic achievement? What is the plan to do this? I believe the answer starts with the basics. We need to be teaching basics. Our students need to know at least what our grandparents had learned by the time they had left school. This does not require more money. It requires an emphasis on rigor, not volume of homework. All our students should know their multiplication tables, how to diagram a sentence, write a concise paragraph and be able to place the Korean Conflict in history.

The school producing students that have some of this knowledge is the Federal Way Public Academy. This school has a waiting list (many parents in the district are not aware it exists) and yet there are no plans to duplicate the school.

Solutions to education involve parental choice and responsibility.

I will work to get parents more good choices!

80 **Federal Way School District No. 210**
Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



Tony Moore

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Occupation: Small Business Owner
Education: College Graduate: BS Business Administration

I firmly believe that the future of this country rests firmly in our ability to equip our children with a 21st century international education. I am excited about the opportunity to help in this endeavor.

Highline School District No. 401
Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



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Our community is a beautiful place to live and I feel privileged to be able to call the Highline area my home. As a parent and community advocate, I have been working to better the lives of our children, and **that is why I have decided to run for Highline School Board.**

I envision a school district that works toward creating a world-class education system and provides our children with the tools needed to be successful in the 21st century. **My priorities on the Highline School Board will include:** *Academic success for all children regardless of their ethnic and social background *Bridge the gap between early learning and the school system. We should be converting that potential into reality *Educational leadership at the school level.

I am endorsed by Tom Slattery, Sili Savusa, and Rep. Dave Upthegrove, Susan Goding.

Director District No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Susan Goding

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Occupation: Process Lab Specialist, King County Wastewater
Education: B.S., Soil Environment, University of California College of Natural Resources, Berkeley, CA

I am running for reelection for another 4 years on the School Board. My son attended Hilltop, Chinook and Tyee. I have seen a change for the better in these schools as the District has focused on increased academic rigor and community partnerships. I will continue to advocate for a budget that prioritizes student centered, individualized, rigorous academics. I believe that technology can be used to change how students are taught. I support maximizing the use of the web and email to improve communication between students, parents and teachers. Education needs to change with the times and I believe Highline has begun to make those changes. I plan to make the most of my next four years on the School Board helping to make Highline one of the top-notch school districts in the country delivering a 21st century education that enables all students to achieve their dreams and potential.

No
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Submitted

Bob Hennessey

No statement submitted.

Director Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Jake Jacobovitch

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Occupation: Engineer

Education: University of Buffalo

I ask for your support to serve on the Vashon Island School Board. I will work hard to build upon the current successes of our school district to ensure it is a place where: each child receives an education that prepares them to achieve their hopes and dreams; our educators are provided the resources required for them to excel in their profession; and our school system is accessible, responsive and accountable to you.

I am a 33-year Island resident whose children attended Vashon Island schools. I have served you with integrity, honesty and straightforwardness on various boards in service to our community including the VISD school board, Vashon Park District, Community Council, and Vashon Island Jr. Basketball. I have coached and mentored our Island youth for more than 25 years. Providing our children with what they need to grow to their fullest potential is of the utmost importance to me.



Steve Ellison

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Occupation: engineer - small business owner

Education: Master of Mechanical Engineering, Certificate of Finance

Sound Finances - Academic Excellence – Program Diversity

With the oldest of my three children in third grade, I am committed to ensuring that diverse, excellent academic and co-curricular programs remain available or are expanded. Accomplishing this with the ever tightening budgets and decreasing on-island enrollment will require a willingness to understand and confront challenges. My background in engineering, quality assurance, finance, and business management will bring a fresh perspective and solutions to these problems. My involvement with school issues, serving on a curriculum alignment committee and coaching Tball have led various people to encourage me to run including parents, coaches, teachers, staff, home-school parents, and current PTSA and VISD board members. Reasons for their encouragement include: "You are involved, and you care," "You listen to teachers and staff" and "You are focused on the long term, big picture." Please support me to improve our schools and our community.

82 **Renton School District No. 403**
Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

No
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Submitted

Albert Talley Sr.

No statement submitted.

Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Jim Grossnickle

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Occupation: Research Scientist at the University of Washington, researching alternative energy.

Education: B.S. (Physics, Electrical Engineering) - PLU; M.S. (Aeronautics/Astronautics Engineering) and Ph.D. (Plasma Physics) - UW.

As a research scientist, my primary reason for running for this position is to improve math and science education in Renton schools. I strongly favor the traditional, direct instruction of math over discovery learning (new math). If elected I will lead the effort to ensure Renton schools adopt the traditional approach. We must do more to ensure our children can compete in a high tech global economy. A strong math and science education is vital to accomplishing this.

I believe a strong education is the greatest gift we can give our children and our community as a whole. I have a long term, vested interest in Renton schools as the first of my three children starts kindergarten next year, beginning our family's 17 year journey through Renton schools.

Our children and our community can no longer afford the status quo.
It is time for a change!



Pam Teal

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Occupation: Renton School Board Director

Pam Teal was appointed to the Renton School Board in February, 2009, to fill a vacancy. She is now running for a full term of her own.

Pam is truly a leader in Renton education circles. She has been volunteering for the past 13 years in numerous PTA leadership roles, including Renton Council President. Pam currently chairs the Education Committee for the Renton Chamber of Commerce, and is on the Renton Community Foundation's Board of Directors.

She is a firm believer in public education, seeing it as the foundation of our community. She has two sons who have attended Renton schools, one now in college and one a student at Hazen.

Pam believes that parent/teacher/community partnerships are critical for the success of our students. Pam asks for your vote so she can continue her role on the Renton School Board.

Director District No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Mary Fertakis

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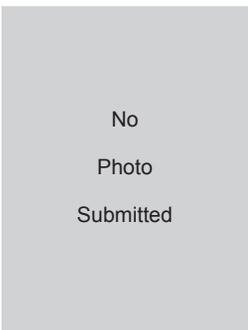
Education: UW, Political Science/
International Studies; Seattle University,
ELL Teaching Certification; Peace Corps,
Cross-Cultural Trainer

It has been an honor and privilege to serve our community's children on the Tukwila School Board for 14 years.

You can be proud of the district's work these past four years: Responsible management of the budget, and retention of almost all staff during an economically challenging time; Providing a safe and supportive environment for student learning; Implementing District initiatives to systemically address staff professional development needs and technology access issues, and embed the use of data to increase student achievement; Successful refinancing of bonds – saving our taxpayers over \$300,000; Continued expansion of our after school programs - providing positive activities in that critical time period; and passage of a four-year levy and three-year staff contracts - creating a stable environment for teaching and learning.

Our Board and Superintendent team will maintain our focus on student needs and how to best address them. Our children deserve nothing less.

Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



Steven Mullet

No statement submitted.

84 **Tukwila School District No. 406**
Director District No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



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Occupation: Homemaker; Community Volunteer

Education: B.S. Business Administration, Central Washington University

First and foremost I am a proud Wife and a Mother. Both of my children attend Tukwila School District, and over the years I have spent many hours volunteering at our local schools. I've listened to our educators about their needs and concerns, and how that affects our children. I want to make sure that decisions made are right. We must give them proper educational foundation to ensure they have every opportunity to be successful. I believe in the system but I also understand that we must adapt to the ever changing world of new technology and different teaching methods. I want to ensure that our district has a balance for those students who need extra help, as well as those children who are highly gifted. I will work diligently to ensure that the board, the schools, the community and the parents are all in partnership to achieve this goal.

Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



Dave Larson

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Occupation: Retired software engineer

Education: MS Computer Science UW, AB Math UC Berkeley

I am committed to fulfilling the mission of the Tukwila School District to educate all students to achieve academic and personal excellence. I have volunteered teaching math in the District for the last 9 years. I have worked to increase the availability of technology to our students by membership on the District Technology Committee and teaching a unit in robotics. I was on the committee that developed the District Improvement Plan. I will work to more effectively use technology to prepare our students for 21st century jobs. I will also work to improve the accountability of the District's educational system via the use of data. Our district has been named by the *New York Times* as the most diverse district in the country. We can use this to provide all our students with a great educational experience and prepare them to succeed in the global job environment.



Bill Boyce

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It has been an honor to serve as your board member for the last 14 years. Throughout that time, our school district has seen tremendous growth and rich diversity changes. We have successfully addressed challenges such as improving instruction, revising curriculum to ensure that it is up-to-date, maintaining and constructing efficient facilities, and providing programs which meet needs of all students and bridge the achievement gap.

Given continual challenges relative to state funding, it is critical we bring together expertise from parents, community, and staff. I look forward to continuing to serve you as we build on the excellent partnerships we have with PTAs, the cities of Covington and Kent, and local service clubs. My goals for the next four years include continuing to ensure the best use of your tax dollars, and working closer with our legislature to fully fund Basic Education and to raise teacher pay, especially for new teachers. I ask for your support—working together we will make sure our kids are well prepared for their future.

Bill has worked for Boeing for 21 years. He and his wife Debbie have four children who are Kent School District graduates and one that is a sophomore at Kentwood.

Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



Tim Clark

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Occupation: Kent City Councilmember;
Adjunct Faculty Highline CC; Retired Public
School Teacher

Education: Seattle University, BA;
Pepperdine University, MA; CWU Principal's
Certificate

I lived my dream as a classroom teacher for thirty years, teaching social studies the last half of my career at Kentridge HS. I served on various district committees from teacher/administration relations to levy and school renovation issues. As a public official, I understand the complexities of budgets, facility needs and policy making. My two grandsons attend Kent schools.

I believe: • We need to hire and retain staff with high standards who can relate to our diverse population. • Technology plays a key role in preparing for the future. • Real student achievement requires innovation, skill development, and appropriate benchmarks to assure success. • Athletics and the arts play a critical role in education where diversity is admired and achievement is rewarded.

My experience will contribute to developing good schools, strong leadership, and fiscal management of resources so that the next generation will stay in school and be successful.



Dale Smith

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Education: B.A., Political Science, Wheaton
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The Kent School District (KSD) and its school communities are amazing places where students, families and education professionals come together to pursue the KSD mission to "Successfully Prepare All Students for Their Future." My family has benefited from those pursuits as Scenic Hill Elementary, Kent Junior High, Mattson Junior High and Kent-Meridian High schools helped prepare our daughter and son for their futures. Along the way, we have been active supporters and champions as leaders in our schools' PTA, LIT, and athletics and activities support organizations. I have served as a community leader representing Boeing's relationship with KSD and participation in the Business Education advisory committee, and I currently serve as the community co-chair for the district's Alliance for Diversity & Equity. In the process, we have encountered and actively participated in addressing three disturbing KSD characteristics related to preparing all students: (1) growing inequities in programs and facilities between school communities; (2) continuing lack of staff diversity that reflects student populations; and (3) absence of candid, transparent and respectful KSD processes and communication for community involvement to address the inequity and diversity issues. If elected to the KSD Board, these will be my priorities.

86 North Highline Fire District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Ray Austin

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Occupation: Firefighter

Education: B.S. Psychology, Washington State University

Ray Austin will deliver quality fire protection. **Ray Austin** is a professional firefighter in the Puget Sound area and for nearly 10 years he has been working on the front lines providing EMS and fire response. This real-world experience gives him an understanding beyond the bureaucracy.

Austin is endorsed by the North Highline Firefighters IAFF local #1810. **Austin** understands there are no cutting corners when it comes to your family's safety, and will provide strong support for our great Fire Department.

Austin will push for continued improvement in our Medic One coverage and service, providing faster advanced life support and heart attack response.

Ray Austin and his wife Susie are homeowners and long-term residents of the North Highline community. Using his proven leadership skills, **Ray Austin** will produce results for our community.

Ray Austin thanks the voters of North Highline for giving him a decisive win in the August Primary!



David Lawson

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Education: BA in Business

The fire district will lose almost 20 percent of its operating revenue for 2010 because of property valuation reductions. It now faces the loss of a substantial portion of the district, and the related revenues, by annexation to Burien. As a result, the fire district can no longer afford its excessive management and administration costs. The solution for saving effective services is for the district to consolidate its operations and place management of the service with Fire District No. 2 in Burien. The district is at the maximum of its allowable taxing authority and district officials have not taken actions necessary to improve revenues for 2010. Strong policy direction and effective financial management leadership is needed now to reverse this unacceptable condition. I have extensive fire service policy and financial management experience and can bring badly needed improvements to the district. I need your support to accomplish this. Say no to business as usual. Thank you.

South King Fire and Rescue Commissioner Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Mark Freitas

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Education: B.S. in Commerce, M.A. Social Sciences/Human Relations, Various Emergency Management Local and National Certifications.

I am running for re-election to the Position 2 as Commissioner at South King Fire and Rescue. I have actively worked to see that ALL interests are represented by policy makers administering of YOUR fire department.

Fire and Life Safety are among the most important services provided by your government. It needs to continue to be done in the most efficient manner with ALL concerns being voiced, ALL questions being asked, and answered. The services provided by Your Fire Department, are made up of good budgeting, good policies, and Good Leadership. I am not afraid to voice Your Concerns in a Leadership Role at South King Fire and Rescue.

I have represented the entire community in which I live and serve. I have been a Business Leader, planning commissioner, emergency management volunteer, Ham radio operator, and soccer coach. Please Re-Elect Mark Freitas.

Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



John Rickert

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Occupation: Retired Professional Fire Fighter

I retired from my position as Captain with the Federal Way Fire Department (South King Fire and Rescue) after 32 years of service in 2000. I began my fire service career as a firefighter/dispatcher and was one of the first paid firefighters hired by the Federal Way Fire Department. I have been a dispatcher, firefighter, lieutenant, captain, training officer and acting battalion chief. I was fire commissioner for South King Fire and Rescue from 2000 through 2006.

I am running for the position of Fire Commissioner because I believe my knowledge and experience will help the board make decisions which will maintain South King Fire and Rescue's position as one of the best departments in the state. It is important for the department to maintain its high standard and to improve service for the future.

The challenge we face in the future includes the need for expanding services in the midst of uncertain funding. We must find a way to get better within the limits our taxpayers set for us.

Endorsed by:
30th District Democrats
South King Fire Professional Firefighters



J. Roger Hershey

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Occupation: I am a retired Boeing engineer.

Education: I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Washington.

Since 1972 I have served as a volunteer firefighter/fire investigator (27 years) and fire commissioner (12 years) with Federal Way Fire/South King Fire and Rescue. I serve on many fire department committees including the merger of Des Moines Fire into Federal Way Fire which became South King Fire and Rescue. I serve on the finance committee of the fire district and our strong financial condition enabled us to achieve a AA+ bond rating, allowing us to refinance Des Moines Fire capital improvement bonds, saving the citizens more than \$320,000. I served as president of the King County Fire Commissioners Association and represent them on King County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee. Our residents now have two Medic One Paramedic units in our fire district.

My background and experience uniquely qualify me to make informed decisions providing direction to the department and effective use of taxpayer funding for our community.

88 Vashon Island Fire and Rescue Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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Occupation: Lawyer

Education: J.D. University of Montana
School of Law; A.B. Wabash College

I have lived on Vashon for twelve years. I am a lawyer with over 35 years of experience. I have served on boards for both profit and nonprofit entities, including The Northwest School where I was President of its board for eight years. I was President of the Vashon Island Rotary Club, and serve on the Boards of Trustees of the Vashon Island Rotary Foundation and Vashon College. I am a NERO captain, an active member of CERTs and a member of the VashonBePrepared Board of Directors.

I strongly believe that we must support VIF&R and our community's emergency response organizations in every way we can. In 2008, I qualified as Fire Support and have been an active member of VIF&R for the past year. My continuing goal is to serve our community as best I can through active involvement in Vashon Island Fire & Rescue as a Fire Commissioner.

Commissioner Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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David D. Hoffmann

No statement submitted.

Fire Protection District No. 2 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Chris Elwell

Occupation: Contract Administration /
Labor Relations

For the past six years it has been both an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of Burien and Normandy Park as one of your elected Fire Commissioners. Over those six years we have accomplished many important things. While maintaining fiscal responsibility, we have enhanced our level of service, improved and updated our equipment and increased the training for our personnel.

As we look to the future, we will be faced with the challenges of constructing new fire stations, serving a larger population, and experiencing higher call volumes all with tighter budgets. We are ready and prepared to face those challenges.

I am proud to have earned the support and endorsement of your firefighters (IAFF Local 1461), and I ask for your support and vote as well.

Questions or comments? Please feel free to contact me:
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Water District No. 19
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Bob Powell

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Our water resource is precious: it must be protected, valued, and used with care. We need to keep in mind both human needs and natural limits, if we hope to balance our environmental concerns with our community's economic health.

I advocate meeting future demand through conservation, in particular by providing greater incentives to invest in efficiency.

I'm an engineering graduate of MIT and worked as a software designer for 20 years. Today I own a small business that manufactures tools for sustainable agriculture.

Since moving to Vashon ten years ago, I've volunteered with VMICC, Vashon College and other community and environmental organizations. I also once managed a small public water system.

The Beachcomber published my article, "Sensible Growth for our Island Home," outlining solutions for the water and land-use challenges we face. You can read more at <http://dogpatch.com/kcprop/>.

I need your help in this effort and ask for your vote.

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Marty Liebowitz

No statement submitted.

Water District No. 20
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Kathleen Keene

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Eighteen years ago, you elected me as Commissioner to represent you at Water District 20. During my tenure, I have worked to ensure the wise and prudent use of your money, planned for emergencies and helped manage our continuing pipe replacement program by utilizing low interest loans or general revenue funds. As your Commissioner, I have a proven record of leadership and the ability to work successfully with other public entities and the Legislature. My knowledge, experience and most significantly, your trust in me, have helped to make Water District 20 a well-run utility.

Governor Gregoire appointed me to serve on the Public Works Trust Fund Board where I help oversee a \$2.3 billion fund that loans money for infrastructure projects. I'm Treasurer for our sewer/water Association.

I would like to keep serving as your Commissioner and ask for your ongoing support and vote. Thank you.

90 Highline Water District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Kathleen Quong-Vermeire

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Education: B.A. Evergreen State College,
Paralegal Highline Community College

Kathleen is running for re-election for the Highline Water District. She is a voice of experience for the Highline Water District. Kathleen served as a Normandy Park City councilmember for 12 years prior to her 12 years of service as your water commissioner. She has the experience and knowledge to continue serving as your commissioner.

Kathleen has been elected to serve as a board member on the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts. She was instrumental in getting the water/wastewater utilities in the state of Washington to adopt and sign the Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network agreement, WAWARN.

Her involvement with the WAWARN members has given Highline Water District ratepayers an even greater voice when it comes to emergency response. Kathleen will continue her work on the Seattle Operating Board and the Washington Water Utility Council.

Please re-elect Kathleen Quong-Vermeire as your commissioner for the Highline Water District.

Commissioner Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education: AA, AAS Quality Control

I am very proud to be a Commissioner at Highline Water District. Most of us take for granted that when we turn on a tap we can be sure that good, clean, safe water will come spilling out. This doesn't happen by magic. It takes a hard working management team and a well seasoned staff to give you that dependability. Highline Water District is very fortunate to have personnel working tirelessly to ensure you have just such a supply of water. I have never dealt with a more professional, hard working and dedicated staff. Highline Water has just been given a AAA bond rating, the best in the world, which means it is a very very sound operation. Thank you for allowing me to be your Commissioner.

Lakehaven Utility District Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



Leonard Englund

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Occupation: System Administrator

Education: Bachelor of Science Degree in
Computing Systems, Networking Specialty

I would like to continue effectively serving you as Lakehaven Commissioner. As a lifelong Federal Way area resident; my heart belongs to our community! I represent the people of Lakehaven in order to ensure we all continue to have excellent quality drinking water, effective waste management, and affordable prices. We enjoy some of the best utility rates in the area and our customer service is second to none. My pledge is to continue working with the board to maintain those high standards. As a former business owner and now a computing professional, I bring 25 years of business management and large enterprise computing systems experience to the Board of Commissioners. I look forward to continuing my efforts in applying sound judgment and working effectively with our board. I ask for your vote to retain me as your Commissioner. Please vote for Leonard Englund.



Ronald Hall

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Occupation: General Manager, Southwest
Suburban Sewer District

Education: Wastewater Technology,
GRCC. Organizational Leadership,
Human Resource Management Masters
Certificates, Villanova University. Numerous
Finance Certificates.

As Commissioner, my 24 years in the wastewater industry with the past 19 years in utility management, coupled with my stewardship for the environment, will benefit the ratepayers of Lakehaven Utility District.

In my position as General Manager for a large sewer district operating two wastewater treatment plants, we have been able to maintain the second lowest rates in King County, while expanding and improving the treatment plants and sewer system. I have experience working with local and state level elected officials. My experience as a certified operator and district manager with an education focused on utility management provides a solid background for long term planning, solid financing and balancing a multi-million dollar budget.

I commit to the continued provision of high quality drinking water and the proper treatment of wastewater while assuring low rates.

I look forward to serving you as Commissioner and would very much appreciate your vote.

Lakehaven Utility District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Charles Gibson

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Occupation: Retired

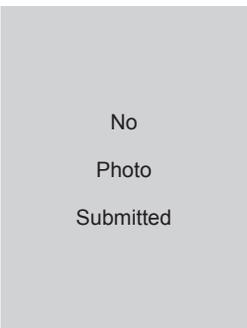
Education: BA, MS, PhD Marine Sciences

As a Lakehaven Utility District Board Commissioner I represent you to assure that the District operates efficiently and effectively. My responsibility is to see that you as a customer continue to receive quality water and sewer service at a reasonable cost. As a Commissioner I am committed to ensuring that the district continues to have staff and systems to maintain uninterrupted high level of service.

My 20 years of experience managing organizations that delivered high quality service to customers provides an excellent background for representing you on the board. My education includes a Master's and PhD Degree in Marine Science.

I ask for your support and vote in re-electing me as a Commissioner for Lakehaven Utility District.

Commissioner Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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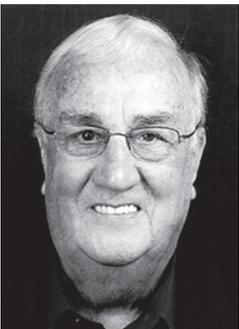
Occupation: Retired Engineer

Education: BS & MBA

I want to continue as your Commissioner because I am making a difference. I was appointed to the Lakehaven Board in July of 2006 after a thorough review process. My family and I moved to Federal Way in 1980 and we have been a customer of Lakehaven ever since. I owned and operated an environmental engineering firm for over 23 years and still retain my registration as a Professional Engineer.

Commissioners are responsible to provide adequate supplies of clean, safe drinking water and environmentally responsible wastewater systems, now and into the future. We must also provide the best service possible for the rates charged. We must maintain our existing facilities to comply with all present regulations and we should seek to be in the forefront of emerging environmental regulations. Please allow me to continue to make a positive difference.

Midway Sewer District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



George Landon

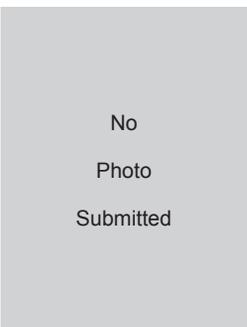
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It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Commissioner. I will continue to represent you, with the goal of keeping the quality of service high and your sewer rate one of the lowest in the state.

During my service as Commissioner, the District has increased capacity, upgraded aging infrastructure, modernized mapping and information services and utilized available technology enhancing our services to you. We were recently recognized by the Dept. of Ecology with an award acknowledging our exemplary performance.

I currently serve as President of the Midway Board of Commissioners and on several committees of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts. I am also a member of the VFW, Chamber of Commerce, Water Pollution Control Federation, and American Water Works Association.

I am committed to serving you with the best environmentally friendly service and competitive rates. Thank you for your support.



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Shane Young

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Occupation: Office Manager King County Water District 125

Shane Young is running for Midway Sewer District Commissioner to help make positive changes in our community. He has lived in south King County for the past 25 years and currently serves as Office Manager of King County Water District 125.

Shane Young has worked with special purpose Districts for the past 8 years in a variety of roles. He is currently certified in National Incident Management Systems and Department of Health's Water Distributions Management. He also actively attends the Washington Association of Sewer and Water District conferences on an annual basis.

Shane looks forward to contributing at Midway Sewer District by working to keep low cost sewer rates while replacing aging infrastructure. The overall goal is to see local citizens getting the best quality service at an affordable rate.

92 **Southwest Suburban Sewer District**
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Tony Genzale

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Occupation: Owner of Tony's Market

It has been my honor to serve as your commissioner the past six years, and I ask for your vote in this election. When I took office I promised ratepayers I would bring respectability back to our district after a period of chaos and discord. Working with my fellow commissioners we achieved that goal by treating employees fairly and honestly, and giving them the tools necessary to efficiently operate our facilities. As a third generation businessman in the community and operator of Tony's Market, I bring business sense to the table. I understand that the commissioner's role is to create the proper balance between moving forward with necessary upgrades while keeping rates affordable for our ratepayers. Ignoring our aging infrastructure is irresponsible, and I am proud of the line rehabilitation program initiated during my first term, which has been achieved while keeping our rates among the lowest in the region.

Valley View Sewer District
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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As a customer for over 35 years, I want to ensure that the Valley View Sewer District continues to maintain its excellent reputation as a well-run district that delivers value to its customers. For that reason I have chosen to run for Sewer Commissioner.

Over the last 25 years, I've worked hard to improve my community. I'm a teacher, a community leader, and neighborhood activist. As a longtime Tukwila City Councilmember, my job was to ask tough questions and demand real answers about critical project and financial decisions. As a former Chair of the Tukwila City Council's Utility Committee I provided oversight and policy direction for the City's sewer utility.

As your sewer Commissioner, I promise to ensure that the Valley View continues to offer low rates while also making the prudent and necessary investments required to maintain and upgrade the system.

I ask for your vote.



Carolyn V. Parnell

Occupation: Educator & Author

YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE IN HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION, through various Councils and Boards such as the Renton Youth and Family Service, Secretary of your Hospital District Commission, etc. resulted in Carolyn Parnell's nomination for Renton's Citizen of the Year. Along with Commissioner Mike Miller, Carolyn believes Access to Quality Health Care is a Right for everyone... Establishing 12 neighborhood clinics while expanding Emergency and Urgent Care reflect their commitment to Accessible Healthcare.

CAROLYN'S COMPASSION AND COMPETENCE DEFINE HER CHARACTER AND SUCCESS. As Secretary of the Hospital Commission, she partnered with Commissioner Mike Miller to champion a new Birth Center, **LEVEL III TRAUMA (ER)**, Joint Center, Breast Center, and GoldenCare for seniors. Carolyn's devotion to people has translated into Valley Medical being the only Hospital recognized as Washington's Best 100 Places to Work - while ranking #35 among all hospitals nationally!

Through Carolyn's practical oversight and common sense the District received citations for merit from the State Auditor for 7 straight years...An unprecedented distinction among all Public Hospital Districts! **RE-ELECT CAROLYN PARNELL** – The candidate that has collaborated successfully with Commissioner Miller and others to get results!

Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Mike Miller

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Occupation: Senior V.P. Valley Bank

Education: B.S. Washington State University in Business Administration

Valley Medical Center continues to provide quality medical care, advanced emergency services and state of the art medical technology including **Robotic Assisted Surgery, World Class Joint Replacement** and **Children's Health Care** because of the work of dedicated citizens like **Commissioner Mike Miller.**

His experience and oversight as Vice President of the Hospital Board is obvious. A new Birth Center, expanded Level III Trauma ER in a new seven story tower and 12 neighborhood clinics are all evidence that Mike Miller is willing to make bold decisions and gets things done!

An active leader and experienced businessman, Mike remains committed to clinical quality, cost containment and responsible stewardship of resources.

And that is why Mike is supported by Renton Mayor Denis Law, Kent Mayor Suzette Cooke, Covington Mayor Margaret Harto and County Councilperson Julia Patterson. He is endorsed by hundreds of nurses and every major medical group at Valley, three current hospital board members, all nine retired board members and the Volunteers in Action at Valley. He has the bi-partisan support of Senator Margarita Prentice and former Senator Steve Johnson, Fire Chiefs Jim Schneider and Lee Wheeler (retired), the Renton Chamber of Commerce, and Firefighters Local 1747. Please Re-Elect Mike Miller.



Aaron Heide

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Occupation: Dr. Heide's an outstanding neurologist, who founded Valley's stroke center.

Education: Born and raised in King County, Heide is a graduate of U.W. Medical School

As a physician, I've devoted my life to helping patients get the best health care possible. Now, I'd like to serve you on the Valley Medical Center Commission. I would be the only medical professional on the Board, and I could help ensure quality care.

Protecting Taxpayers

As a taxpayer, I will put a stop to the unnecessary tax increases and wasteful spending.

Holding Government Accountable

Valley Medical Center provides excellent medical care, but behind the scenes, there are problems. In 2007, Valley was forced to pay the largest fines in state history for two illegal campaigns to raise taxes and expand their taxing area. Taxes have shot up by 600% and money is being wasted daily.

My opponent sat on the Commission and approved all this activity. It's time to make Valley administration healthy again.

Born and Raised in King County

My wife and I live in Kent with our beautiful daughter. I want to bring positive changes to Valley; good staff morale can promote better patient health. If we are open with the community, we can restore trust.

• Check out www.heideforvalley.com for more about our campaign.

If you want open and honest governance, I would appreciate your vote.

94 King County Airport District Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



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Occupation: Const. Co Pres

As a general aviation pilot, an Island resident and business owner, I understand the special concerns of the island. The media has made us aware of changes scheduled for our airport. I am by experience the most qualified to manage these upcoming projects. My extensive history in commercial construction, project and contract management specifically includes the type of work to be performed.

I additionally bring proven past experience of successfully performing work issued under a federal grant. How the work is contracted, executed and managed will determine the long-term success of the intended project.

Washington State Chapter 14.08 RCW "Municipal Airports Act of 1945" and the rules of the FAA create the guidelines that govern and protect our airport. The commissioners are your elected voice between you and the aviation community. I pledge to bring a new level of accountability and transparency, not seen before as your elected representative.



Phillip McClure

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Occupation: Retired military; Real Estate Associate Broker

Education: BA business administration- Oregon State University; MBA-Sanford University

As a 22 year resident of Vashon and a pilot for 34 years I am very interested in the care, maintenance and operation of the Vashon airport. I was involved in the development, implementation and enforcement of airport rules and regulations, a building permit process, negotiating air easements with airport neighbors and working with community members to solve complaints.

The airport provides both business and pleasure opportunities to local residents, and would be invaluable if a civil disaster should strike. I do not support expanding or changing the family nature of the airport but do support improving safety, enforcing the rules and maintaining a co-existing environment within the community. The airport is self supporting and I will keep it this way; no financial burden on our citizens.

Commissioner Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



Alan Paxhia

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Occupation: Retired

As your incumbent Airport Commissioner, I have taken tough stands at the airport. I have spoken out for what is right regardless of the political consequences and will continue to do so in the future. I represent Vashon voters' interests in our local airport and have been an advocate for safe aviation. I worked successfully to secure a federal grant to make Vashon's airport safer and am committed to completing that job. The Commission has never asked island taxpayers to help pay for the airport, and I am committed to keeping it that way. Those who use the airport should continue to finance the cost of operating and maintaining it.

I retired from Boeing after a 35-year career, had a second career as a pilot, and retired in 2006. I fly regularly and keep an airplane on Vashon. My wife Deborah and I have four adult children and six grandchildren.



George Kirkish

Occupation: Owner, Vashon Island Air, an FAA approved part 135 operation.

It is an honor to come before you in our democratic process to run for Airport Commissioner. The Vashon airport is a valuable community asset that must be managed safely, fairly, and in the best interests of the people of Vashon Island.

Why am I running?

The current commissioners have run unopposed in the past and been in office too long. The longer they are there, the bossier and more dictatorial they have become. It's time for a CHANGE!

Background: Commercial Pilot, Certified Flight Instructor, and holder of an FAA approved Part 135 Air Carrier Certificate. It has been a privilege to help numerous members of our community to realize their dreams of flight.

Position: Less is more. Many life lessons can be learned by flying. The best pilots use small corrections early and often. The last thing you need is a big jerk on the stick!

King County Airport District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Submitted

Liz Otis

No statement submitted.

King County Cemetery District No. 1 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

No
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Submitted

Lisa Ryan Devereau

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Occupation: Funeral Director/Registered Nurse

Education: AAS Degree

For the last six years I have worked to keep the historic look and feel to the Vashon Cemetery. I would like the opportunity to continue this work for the next six years. Vashon continues to grow and change as do the needs of our residents. The cemetery needs to be a place of honor for our loved ones, that grows to meet those changing needs, while still keeping that small town feeling. As a lifetime Islander I can help guide those changes through my work at Island Funeral Service and as a member of the Cemetery Board. Feel free to contact me or my Campaign Director Austin Hitch with any questions.

96 **Vashon-Maury Island Park and Recreation District**
Commissioner Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Lu-Ann Branch

No statement submitted.

Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



David Hackett

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Occupation: Prosecutor

It has been my privilege to serve our community as a Vashon Park District (VPD) Commissioner. VPD operates and maintains nearly 500 acres of parks, natural areas, and athletic fields on our island. VPD regularly multiplies our levy dollars by facilitating the efforts of numerous volunteer groups and by obtaining grants for community projects. The facilities and parks that VPD maintains are used by thousands of islanders -- children, adults, and seniors -- for a wide range of activities from ping pong to forest preservation. In order to carefully steward our island tax dollars, we have partnered with other island districts to share equipment, expertise and maintenance responsibilities. For example, VPD recently took over responsibility for maintenance of the school district athletic fields, thereby allowing for greatly improved field conditions and more dedicated dollars for education. *VPD works for our community.* I greatly appreciate the opportunity to work for you!

Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • interim term)

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Gene Achziger

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Occupation: Journalist

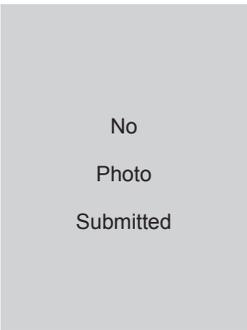
Education: WSU, BA; Highline and Tacoma
community colleges.

Mount Rainier Pool is a gem. It provides swimming lessons for our children, low-impact exercise for our seniors and safe recreation for families. But it is a gem that must be polished to realize its greatest value. When voters approve Proposition 1, we're going to need commissioners who understand the need to market the pool to maximize its use and therefore reduce the need for public subsidy.

As a former Redondo Community Club president and activist for more than 30 years, and as a leader in the Woodmont and Redondo annexation campaign, I know the value of working WITH people and doing so on tight budgets. I pledge to bring those same organizing skills and commitment to "doing more with less" to the Board of Pool Commissioners.

I respectfully ask for your vote and a **YES vote for Proposition 1.**

Commissioner Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • interim term)

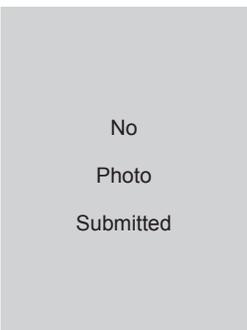


Eric Kasnick

Des Moines, WA 98198

The Mt. Rainier public pool is a valuable asset, one that, if we allow its removal, we will likely not see another. It is a community center appreciated by a great many in the area, and staffed with good people. Our youth, disabled, veterans, families, singles, athletes and our elderly seasoned citizens all benefit by having it here. It provides so much for us all, Swim lessons, water exercises, therapy, swimming for fun or fitness for everyone. Support it, and avail yourself to what it offers. I'm running for a board position because I want to help see to its proper care. Thank you for your attention. Eric.

Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • interim term)



Bernadette Barrett

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Occupation: Diagnostic Ultrasound

Education: Seattle University

I have been involved with Mt. Rainier Pool since it opened in 1975. I have seen Mt. Rainier Pool change lives due to its devoted staff and diversified programming. We, as a community, have an obligation to our citizens to provide fun, safe, educational and healthy experiences. To maximize the pools potential, we need commissioners who are passionate about maximizing Mt. Rainier's tradition of quality programming as well as maintaining the facilities structure while minimizing the need for public subsidy.

I respectfully ask you to vote **YES** on Proposition 1.

98 **Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District**
Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • interim term)



Marty Martinson

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Background: BS-Civil Eng WSU, MBA UW, retired (Director of Facilities), community volunteer.

Our community is rich in assets, one of which being an indoor swimming facility. Since retiring, I have used it regularly, as have others (e.g., learning to swim, swimming competitively or just trying to stay healthy). The need is there.

But an entity, be it public or private, must be able to financially stand on its own. Proposition 1 will bring into focus its value, affordability and accountability to the community it serves.

Commissioner Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • interim term)



Nancy N. Kuehnoel

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Occupation: retired Human Resource Manager; currently part-time, self-employed as Consultant—Employee Relocation.

Education: BA from Western Washington University and an MBA from Oregon State University.

The Mt. Rainier Pool has quietly provided value to many within our community for many years. Through its aquatics programs, many groups have been served—youth and adult swimming lessons and competitions, exercise programs for all ages and abilities, and year round recreation for all. With the approval of Proposition 1, we will need commissioners who understand these valuable attributes and provide fresh energy and perspective to maximize their value.

With my 25 years of leadership experience as a manager with a Fortune 500 company and volunteer work in my community, I bring a package of skills and experiences to this position—working with people to solve problems, managing tight budgets, analyzing situations and leading effective changes. I will bring these attributes to the Pool Commissioner position. I ask for your vote of YES for Proposition 1 and your vote for me as Commissioner.

Official Ballot Title

King County

Charter Amendment No. 1

Repeal of Section 350.20.30 and Portions of Article 9 – Transitory Provisions

Shall those no longer relevant portions of King County Charter Article 9 relating to the county’s prior transition to a home rule charter and King County Charter Section 350.20.30, relating to the county’s transition to a metropolitan form of government, be repealed, as provided in Ordinance No. 16484?

- YES
- NO

Article 9 of the King County Charter relates to the 1969 transition from the pre-charter form of government to the form of government established by the charter. King County Charter Section 350.20.30 relates to the county’s 1992 transition to a metropolitan form of government. Both of those transitions are complete, and the applicable charter language is obsolete. If adopted, Charter Amendment No. 3 would repeal Section 350.20.30 and all of Article 9 except certain provisions in Section 990, relating to the effect of the May 1, 1969 charter adoption on prior county laws, actions and obligations.

Statement for

When the King County Charter was first enacted, the mechanics of moving seamlessly to a new form of government was a major concern. Article 9 of the Charter, entitled “Transitory Provisions,” by its own terms is “related to the transition from the existing form of government to the form of government established by this charter.” In 1992, the County government merged with Metro and Charter section 350.20.30 was added to deal with the merger process. As Charter government has been in place for almost 40 years and the Metro merger is complete, these provisions are virtually all obsolete.

Removing obsolete material from the Charter makes the document clearer and more understandable to the public as well as less expensive to print and distribute. Citizens, including historians and other researchers, will retain archival access to the deleted material. The 2007-2008 Charter Review Commission, on which we each served, supported this amendment without dissent. We urge voters to support this essentially housekeeping measure.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Bryan Glynn, Doreen Cato, Lois North

Statement against

No statement submitted.

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Official Ballot Title

King County

Charter Amendment No. 2

Repeal of Charter Section 475 – Work Programs and Allotments

Shall King County Charter Section 475, relating to preparation of work programs and requested allotments and to appropriation transfers, be repealed, as provided in Ordinance No. 16546?

YES

NO

Explanatory Statement

Section 475 of the King County Charter requires all county agencies, except the county council, to present work programs and requested allotments to the county executive to control expenditures and prevent deficits. It also contains provisions regarding the transfer of appropriations by the executive and the council. Section 475 was originally adopted in 1969 and since the budget processes that are referred to in Section 475 are no longer used, the section has become obsolete.

At the request of the county executive and the county council, the King County Charter Review Commission recommended repeal of Section 475. If approved, this charter amendment would repeal Section 475.

The repeal of Section 475 is not intended to affect existing legislation or to limit the power of the council to adopt legislation regarding the matters addressed in Section 475.

Statement for

When it comes to a “constitution” such as the King County Charter, flexibility, including the freedom to adapt to changing times and circumstances, is critical. This is especially true with respect to tools used to monitor and control expenditures. Charter Section 475 addresses the fiscal control issue by means of a system of quarterly allotments and other devices. These devices were crafted to work with a budget control system that no longer exists. This Charter Amendment frees up present and future elected officials to enact by ordinance systems of fiscal control that are responsive to contemporary needs and which build upon modern budget monitoring methods without unnecessary Charter restraints.

Both Executive and Council staffs agree that allotments are cumbersome, outdated and add nothing to effective fiscal control. Moreover, the recently convened King County Financial Policies Advisory Task Force recommended that the allotment provision be removed from the Charter. The 2007-2008 Charter Review Commission, on which we each served, concurred without dissent. We urge voters to support this needed fiscal reform.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Bryan Glynn, Doreen Cato,
Mike Lowry

Statement against

No statement submitted.

Official Ballot Title

**King County
Charter Amendment No. 3
Amendment of Section 800 – Charter
Review**

Shall King County Charter Section 800 be amended to clarify that charter commission appointees are to be confirmed by the council and to provide that the council is required to consider proposed charter amendments and act on them at an open public meeting, as provided in Ordinance Nos. 16547 and 16599?

- YES
- NO

Section 800 of the King County Charter sets forth a process for review and amendment of the charter. Pursuant to this section, at least every ten years, the county executive appoints a citizen commission of at least 15 members to review the charter and submit a report to the county council recommending amendments, if any, that should be made to the charter. If Charter Amendment No. 2 is adopted, it would clarify that the executive’s appointees to the charter commission are subject to confirmation by the council. The amendment would also require the council to consider the commission’s report and recommendations and to decide at an open public meeting how to proceed on the commission’s recommended charter amendments.

Statement for

There are two provisions in the current Charter which speak to the formation and appointment of individuals to serve as commissioners. Section 340.40 stipulates that appointments by the county executive are subject to confirmation by a majority of the county council. Section 800 likewise states that the county executive is responsible to appoint a commission, but does not mention any need for confirmation by the County Council.

These discrepancies led to some disagreement and confusion. It was the unanimous recommendation of this Commission to amend the Charter so as to establish a clear appointment process.

Once seated, the Charter Review Commission deliberates for over a year on current needs and changing concerns within the charter that have developed over the previous ten years. It then makes recommendations for changes to the County Council. The second part of this Amendment requires the Council to respond publicly to these recommendations.

For the foregoing reasons, we urge you to vote yes to amend Section 800 so as to ensure that appointees to future Charter Review Commissions are confirmed by a majority vote of the County Council, and that the findings and recommendations of future Commissions are considered in an open public meeting.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Sarah Rinlaub, Tara-Jo Heinecke, Lois North

Statement against

No statement submitted.

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Official Ballot Title

King County

Charter Amendment No. 4

Adding New Section 897 – High Conservation Value Properties

Shall the King County Charter be amended to add a new Section 897 that would provide enhanced protection for certain county properties designated as high conservation value properties by prohibiting the county from conveying or relinquishing its interest in those properties or authorizing their expanded use, except in specified circumstances, as provided in Ordinance No. 16600?

YES

NO

Statement for

Vote "Yes!" for the Open Space Preservation Act. It amends the King County Charter to enhance protection for over 156,000 acres of land already owned or held in a conservation easement by King County.

These irreplaceable properties include treasures such as Cougar and Taylor Mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, wildlife, and salmon habitat. They are truly special places, whether to walk, bike, bird watch, or simply enjoy their beauty from a distance. With high conservation and resource values, they are also working forests, preserving jobs and nearby natural riches.

The amendment requires no new land to be purchased and involves no direct costs – the properties are already publicly owned. The amendment strengthens protection against the sale or transfer of these properties by requiring a 28-day public comment period, finding of facts, and a supermajority vote (7 of 9) of the County Council before any change in property status can occur.

The Open Space Preservation Act is unanimously supported by the County Council, Executive, environmental groups and community leaders. Check the website for a complete list. It provides strong protection to our most cherished green spaces through a defined public process and leaves a legacy for future generations to enjoy.
www.openspaceamendment.org

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Terry Lavender, Bob Ferguson, Reagan Dunn

Explanatory Statement

King County has acquired interests in a number of open space properties in the form of fee simple ownership, conservation easements, and development rights. If approved, Charter Amendment No. 4 would provide enhanced protection of certain open space properties deemed by the county to have high conservation value. The county would not be permitted to convey or relinquish its interest in these properties or to authorize them to be used in a manner that was not permissible at the time the county acquired its property interest, except under certain circumstances as outlined in Charter Amendment No. 4.

The initial inventory of high conservation value properties would be established by an ordinance that is approved by a minimum of seven affirmative votes of the nine-member council. Additions to or removal of properties on the list would be by ordinance and would require seven affirmative votes of the council, specific findings of fact supporting the modification, a public hearing, and reasonable effort by the council to consult with the executive regarding the modification. An ordinance removing a property from the list would have to include certain findings of fact as set forth in Charter Amendment No. 4. Seven affirmative votes of the council would be required to override an executive veto of an ordinance establishing the initial inventory or modifying the inventory.

Statement against

No statement submitted.

Proposed No. 2009-0259.2

Sponsors Ferguson

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to Section 990 of the King County Charter; repeal of Section 350.20.30 of the King County Charter, regarding the county's prior transition to a metropolitan government; and repeal of Section 900 of the King County Charter, Section 910 of the King County Charter, Section 920 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.10 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.30 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.40 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.30 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.40 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.50 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.60 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.70 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.80 of the King County Charter, Section 920.30 of the King County Charter, Section 930 of the King County Charter, Section 940 of the King County Charter, Section 950 of the King County Charter, Section 960 of the King County Charter, Section 970 of the King County Charter, Section 970.10 of the King County Charter, Section 970.30 of the King County Charter, Section 970.40 of the King County Charter, Section 970.50 of the King County Charter and Section 980 of the King County Charter, regarding the county's prior transition to home rule charter form of government; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2009 general election.

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to the King County Charter, amending Section 990 of the King County Charter and repealing Section 350.20.30, Section 900, Section 910, Section 920, Section 920.10, Section 920.10.10, Section 920.10.20, Section 920.10.30, Section 920.10.40, Section 920.20, Section 920.20.10, Section 920.20.20, Section 920.20.30, Section 920.20.40, Section 920.20.50, Section 920.20.60, Section 920.20.70, Section 920.20.80, Section 920.30, Section 930, Section 940, Section 950, Section 960, Section 970, Section 970.10, Section 970.30, Section 970.40, Section 970.50, and Section 980 of the King County Charter, as set forth herein:

Section 990. Transition.

~~((Except as provided by this article, the terms of office of elective county officers subject to this charter holding office on April 30, 1969, shall terminate on the effective date of this charter. All appointed officers and employees holding office on the effective date of this charter shall continue in the performance of their duties until their successors are appointed or until their duties are transferred, altered or abolished in accordance with the provisions of this charter. All boards and Commissions whose functions have not been transferred by this charter to another agency of county government established by this charter shall continue to function for one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this charter, at the end of which time they are hereby abolished unless re-established or continued by ordinance.))~~ All ordinances, resolutions and other official actions of the board of county Commissioners (~~(which)~~) that are in effect on the May 1, 1969, effective date of this charter and (~~(which)~~) that are not inconsistent with this charter shall continue in effect until they are amended, repealed or superseded in accordance with the provisions of this charter. All rights, claims, actions, orders, obligations, proceedings and contracts existing on (~~the effective date of this charter~~) May 1, 1969, shall not be affected by the adoption of this charter.

Section 350.20.30 repealed. Section 350.20.30 of the King County Charter, "Metropolitan Services Department Transitory Provisions," is hereby repealed.

Section 900 repealed. Section 900 of the King County Charter, "Effective Date and Elections," is hereby repealed.

Section 910 repealed. Section 910 of the King County Charter, "Councilman Districts," is hereby repealed.

Section 920 repealed. Section 920 of the King County Charter, "Administrative Offices and Executive Department," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.10 repealed. Section 920.10 of the King County Charter, "Administrative Offices," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.10.10 repealed. Section 920.10.10 of the King County Charter, "Office of Budgets and Accounts," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.10.20 repealed. Section 920.10.20 of the King County Charter, "Office of Personnel," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.10.30 repealed. Section 920.10.30 of the King County Charter, "Office of Systems Services," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.10.40 repealed. Section 920.10.40 of the King County Charter, "Office of Property and Purchasing," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20 repealed. Section 920.20 of the King County Charter, "Executive Departments," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.10 repealed. Section 920.20.10 of the King County Charter, "Department of Public Works, Utilities and Transportation," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.20 repealed. Section 920.20.20 of the King County Charter, "Department of Public Safety," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.30 repealed. Section 920.20.30 of the King County Charter, "Department of Public Health," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.40 repealed. Section 920.20.40 of the King County Charter, "Department of Records and Elections," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.50 repealed. Section 920.20.50, "Department of Finance," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.60 repealed. Section 920.20.60 of the King County Charter, "Department of Parks," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.70 repealed. Section 920.20.70 of the King County Charter, "Department of Planning," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.20.80 repealed. Section 920.20.80 of the King County Charter, "Department of Building," is hereby repealed.

Section 920.30 repealed. Section 920.30 of the King County Charter, "Modification of Administrative Offices and Executive Departments," is hereby repealed.

Section 930 repealed. Section 930 of the King County Charter, "County Commissioners," is hereby repealed.

Section 940 repealed. Section 940 of the King County Charter, "County Assessor," is hereby repealed.

Section 950 repealed. Section 950 of the King County Charter, "Commencement and Terms of Office," is hereby repealed.

Section 960 repealed. Section 960 of the King County Charter, "Compensation," is hereby repealed.

Section 970 repealed. Section 970, "The Personnel System," is hereby repealed.

Section 970.10 repealed. Section 970.10, "Personnel Board Members," is hereby repealed.

Section 970.30 repealed. Section 970.30 of the King County Charter, "Elective County Officers," is hereby repealed.

Section 970.40 repealed. Section 970.40, "County Employees," is hereby repealed.

Section 970.50 repealed. Section 970.50 of the King County Charter, "Sheriff's Civil Service System," is hereby repealed.

Section 980 repealed. Section 980 of the King County Charter, "Board of Appeals," is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the county elections director, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney for the proposition listed below:

Shall the King County Charter be amended to remove no longer relevant transitional language relating to the county's prior transition to a home rule charter and metropolitan form of government?

Ordinance 16484 was introduced on 4/13/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 4/27/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Gossett and Ms. Patterson
No: 0

Excused: 2 - Ms. Hague and Mr. Dunn

104 King County Charter Amendment No. 2

Ordinance 16546

Proposed No. 2009-0282.2 **Sponsors** Ferguson

AN ORDINANCE proposing to repeal Section 475 of the King County Charter pertaining to work programs and allotments, and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2009 general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to the King County Charter repealing Section 475, as set forth herein:

Section 475 repealed. Section 475 of the King County Charter, "Work Programs and Allotments," is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the county elections director, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

Shall the King County Charter be amended to repeal Section 475, "Work Programs and Allotments"?

SECTION 3. The repeal of Section 475 of the King County Charter is not intended to affect existing legislation or to limit the power of the council to adopt legislation regarding the matters that were addressed in Section 475.

Ordinance 16546 was introduced on 4/20/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/8/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn
No: 0
Excused: 0

King County Charter Amendment No. 3

Ordinance 16547 as amended by Ordinance 16599

Proposed No. 2009-0348.2 **Sponsors** Ferguson and Lambert

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to Section 800 of the King County Charter, to provide for council confirmation of charter review commission members and to require council consideration of charter review commission recommended charter amendments; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2009 general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to Section 800 of the King County Charter as set forth herein:

Section 800 Charter Review and Amendments.

At least every ten years after the adoption of this charter, the county executive shall appoint a citizen commission of not less than fifteen members whose mandate shall be to review the charter and present, or cause to be presented, to the county council a written report recommending those amendments, if any, which should be made to the charter. Appointees shall be subject to confirmation by a majority of the county council. This citizen commission shall be composed of at least one representative from each of the county council districts. The county council shall consider the commission's report and recommendations and decide at an open public meeting how to proceed on each of the commission's recommended charter amendments, as provided by ordinance.

The county council may propose amendments to this charter by enacting an ordinance to submit a proposed amendment to the voters

of the county at the next general election occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of the ordinance. An ordinance proposing an amendment to the charter shall not be subject to the veto power of the county executive. Publication of a proposed amendment and notice of its submission to the voters of the county shall be made in accordance with the state constitution and general law. If the proposed amendment is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become effective ten days after the results of the election are certified unless a later date is specified in the amendment.

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the county elections director, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

Shall the King County Charter be amended to provide for council confirmation of charter review commission members and to require public council consideration of the charter review commission's recommended charter amendments?

Ordinance 16547 was introduced on 6/1/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/8/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn
No: 0
Excused: 0

King County Charter Amendment No. 4

Ordinance 16600

Proposed No. 2009-0245.2 **Sponsors** Ferguson, Phillips, Hague, Patterson, Constantine, Dunn and Lambert

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to the King County Charter; providing enhanced protection for certain high conservation value properties that are designated by a supermajority vote of the council, by prohibiting the county from conveying or relinquishing its interest in those properties or authorizing their expanded use, except in specified circumstances; adding a new Section 897 to the King County Charter, and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2009 general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

A. King County has acquired interests in open space properties in the form of fee simple ownership, conservation easements and development rights. The county has done so using funds from various funding sources, including conservation futures taxes, Forward Thrust, real estate excise taxes, surface water management fees, the river improvement fund, the salmon recovery funding board, the interagency committee for outdoor recreation, voter-approved open space bond funds and state and federal conservation-oriented grants.

B. The primary purposes of acquiring open space properties are to conserve, preserve, protect, or enhance natural or scenic resources, timberland devoted primarily to the growth and harvest of timber for commercial purposes, streams, rivers, wetlands, soils, beaches, tidal marshes, fish or wildlife habitat, water quality, passive recreational opportunities, visual quality along highway, road and street corridors, and scenic vistas for current and future generations of King County residents.

C. Preserving the character of open space properties also reduces urban sprawl, provides natural corridors in urban areas, and serves to mitigate the effects of human activities that contribute to climate change.

D. The county council wishes to provide enhanced protection of certain high conservation value, open space properties that King County currently owns, or in which the county owns a conservation easement or

development rights, without increasing current restrictions on the use of those properties or requiring the county to purchase additional properties.

E. An effective means of providing enhanced protection is to require approval by a county council supermajority of at least seven affirmative votes (out of nine councilmembers) before the county may transfer or relinquish its interest in those properties or authorize their expanded use beyond what was permissible when the county acquired them, except in specified circumstances, and before properties are added to, or removed from, the inventory of protected properties.

SECTION 2. There shall be submitted to the voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, the addition of a new Section 897 to the King County Charter to read as follows:

Section 897. High Conservation Value Properties.

The county council may, by a minimum of seven affirmative votes, adopt an ordinance establishing an inventory of those high conservation value properties that are to be preserved under the terms of this section. Such an ordinance may be adopted before, on, or after the effective date of this section. The inventory shall include only properties in which the county has a real property interest. The inventory may not be modified by the addition or removal of a property except by an ordinance adopted by a minimum of seven affirmative votes and including specific findings of fact supporting the modification. An ordinance removing a property from the inventory shall include findings of fact that one or more of the following factors exist: (1) the property no longer provides the open space values initially contemplated, for specific reasons set forth in the ordinance; (2) maintaining the property in public ownership is no longer practical, for specific reasons set forth in the ordinance; or (3) open space values will be enhanced by substituting the property interest for another property interest. At least twenty-eight days after the introduction of a proposed ordinance modifying the inventory, except an emergency ordinance, and prior to its adoption, the county council shall hold a public hearing after due notice to consider the proposed ordinance. Before the county council adopts an ordinance modifying the inventory, the chair or other designee of the county council shall make a reasonable effort to consult with the county executive about the modification. Seven affirmative votes are required to override the veto of an ordinance establishing or modifying the inventory following the effective date of this section.

The county shall not convey or relinquish its interest in an inventoried property or authorize an inventoried property to be converted to a use that was not permissible when the county acquired its interest, as evidenced by deed, easement, covenant, contract or funding source requirements, except that this section shall not prevent: the conveyance of the county's interest in an inventoried property to another government or to a non-profit nature conservancy corporation or association as defined in RCW 84.34.250, as currently adopted or hereafter amended; the conveyance of the county's interest in an inventoried property under the lawful threat or exercise of eminent domain; the grant of an easement, license, franchise or use agreement for utilities or other activities compatible with use restrictions in place when the county acquired its interest; or the use of an inventoried property for habitat restoration, flood control, low-impact public amenities or regionally significant public facilities developed for purposes related to the conservation values of the property, road or utility projects or emergency projects necessary to protect public health, welfare or safety. This section shall not affect any contractual obligations entered into as part of the county's acquisition of an interest in an inventoried property.

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the county elections director, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

Shall the King County Charter be amended to add a new Section 897 that provides enhanced protection for certain high conservation value county properties that are designated by a supermajority vote of the council, by prohibiting the county from conveying or relinquishing its interest in those properties or authorizing their expanded use beyond what was permissible when the county acquired them, except in specified circumstances?

Ordinance 16600 was introduced on 4/6/2009 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/20/2009, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn

No: 0

Excused: 0

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Official Ballot Title

City of Des Moines

Proposition No. 1

Formation and Funding of Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District

Des Moines Resolution No. 1109 proposes creation of the Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District coextensive with the City's boundaries pursuant to 35.61 RCW, including the authority to levy a general tax on property within the District each year not to exceed twenty cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, for the purpose of acquiring and operating a pool facility. A five-member board of commissioners, elected at large, shall govern the District.

- FOR THE FORMATION OF A METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT TO BE GOVERNED BY A FIVE-MEMBER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO BE ELECTED AT LARGE
- AGAINST THE FORMATION OF A METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

Statement for

MOUNT RAINIER POOL SAVES LIVES... AND MORE

Nine Americans drown every day... three of them are children. Childhood obesity has tripled since 1980 and lack of low-impact exercise threatens our seniors.

The No. 1 way to remedy this? Teach our kids to swim and get seniors in the pool.

For 40 years at our Mount Rainier Pool, we've been doing that... and more. We:

- Teach lifesaving and CPR.
- Provide safe, year-round recreation where community members of all ages, genders and races can participate in healthy, life-improving activity.
- Give senior citizens and the infirm access to low-impact aquatic exercise that extends their lives... just ask 104-year-old Faith Callahan.
- Give our high school swimmers – annually amongst the best in the state – opportunities to compete and further their educations; and
- Train world-class athletes... like Ariana Kukors, who just shattered a world's record in Rome, and two-time Olympic gold medalist Megan (Quann) Jendrick.

All this is lost if the pool closes on Dec. 31. By voting yes, we can continue our proud tradition for just 20¢ per \$1,000 in property value. For the average homeowner, that's \$56 a year... about a dollar a week.

VOTE "YES!" SAVE OUR POOL

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: *Kenneth Spencer, Gene Achziger, Schell Ross*

Explanatory Statement

The Mt. Rainier Pool is located in the City of Des Moines. Current funding and operating agreements for the pool expire on December 31, 2009. Due to budget constraints, a new source of funds is needed to continue pool operations. In response, several alternatives were considered culminating in the Des Moines City Council passing a resolution to place the question of a metropolitan park district on the ballot. If this proposition is approved, the Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District would be created to acquire, maintain, operate, and/or to provide money for capital improvements or construction for the Mt. Rainier Pool or other pool facility. The District would include all of the area currently within the boundaries of the City of Des Moines and be governed by five commissioners, who will be elected from among the residents of Des Moines.

The Des Moines Pool Park District would be a municipal corporation with all the powers provided in chapter 35.61 RCW, including the power to levy an annual tax on all taxable property within the district in an amount not to exceed \$0.20 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The District would also have the power to issue debt, either as general obligation bonds or revenue bonds, and to exercise the right of eminent domain.

Statement against

No statement submitted.

Official Ballot Title

City of Normandy Park Proposition No. 1

Metropolitan Park District

The Normandy Park City Council passed Resolution No. 817 in order to allow voters to decide whether to create a Normandy Park Metropolitan Park District with boundaries coterminous with the boundaries of the City as now or hereafter established and to be governed by the Normandy Park City Council as the ex officio board of commissioners to support parks, aquatics, and recreation programs. Shall the Normandy Park Metropolitan Park District be so created and governed?

- FOR THE FORMATION OF A METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT TO BE GOVERNED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF NORMANDY PARK AS THE EX OFFICIO BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
- AGAINST THE FORMATION OF A METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

Statement for

Normandy Park residents live in a distinctly unique community intertwined with wonderful parks and green spaces that enhance our quality of life.

The current economic climate presents our City with an approximate \$400,000 budget shortfall. Our City's situation is similar to many other municipalities. We must make tough choices by reducing services, including maintaining parks facilities and infrastructure.

Approval of Proposition 1 will allow us to **keep our parks open** as well as improve, maintain and expand our City's park system, **NOW!**

- Improve hiking/walking trails throughout the City, remove invasive ivy, and enhance salmon and wild life habitat.
- Increase capacity and improve safety for existing play fields, outdoor sport courts, maintenance and operation of existing recreation facilities.
- Support continued community and arts events, youth, adult and senior recreational programs.
- Maintenance and operations of and improvements to the Mt Rainier Pool.

If approved, the estimated cost to a homeowner of a property with an assessed value of \$500,000 about \$225 per year, or 45 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. The Park District levy would be subject to the 1% cap for any future increases.

Please support Proposition 1.

Keep the "Park" in Normandy Park!

Rebuttal of statement against

Proposition #1 is providing residents with fiscally responsible choices:

PROTECT EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE, PAST INVESTMENTS, PROPERTY VALUES

- **Keep Open** Mount Rainier Pool, ball fields • **Fix and Complete existing or approved** infrastructure improvements: Marvista, City Hall, Brittany, Nist Parks, Walker Preserve • **Take Care** of **existing, but degraded** parks, forests, streams, beaches, green spaces • **Finish** trails for seamless walking/running/biking.

Please invest in our children's neighborhood!

Dedicate funds to keep the "Park" in Normandy Park!!!

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Linda Peterson Hughes, Walter Hunt, Earnest Thompson

If approved by the voters, this proposition would create a metropolitan park district to manage, control, improve, maintain, and acquire parks, parkways, boulevards, and recreational facilities, and to provide recreation programs. All property in the City of Normandy Park would be in the metropolitan park district.

The City of Normandy Park currently owns five destination parks, one neighborhood park, one low-intensity nature preserve, and twelve mini-parks. Most City parkland consists of passive parks and open space, but approximately eighteen acres are developed for active recreation. The City also owns and operates a recreation center and provides recreational programs. All expenses for these facilities and activities are currently paid from the general tax revenues of the City. In recent budget years, rising costs of providing other City services has limited the City's ability to adequately fund parks and recreation.

If this proposition passes, acquiring, improving, maintaining and operating parks and park and recreation programs would become the responsibility of the separate metropolitan parks district. The Normandy Park City Council would act as the metropolitan park district's board of commissioners but the district would acquire, improve, maintain and operate its facilities and programs separately from the City. To pay the cost of doing so, the metropolitan park district would have the authority to levy a general property tax of up to 75 cents for each one thousand dollars of assessed valuation. All revenues generated by this tax would be used to acquire, improve, maintain and operate parks and park and recreation programs.

Statement against

The new Parks District isn't about parks, it's about revenue. It's about creating another taxing district "pocket" for the City, with the revenue being controlled by the same elected officials and administration, and for the same purposes. It's really all about creating a larger tax base for city government.

Unfortunately, that's not the whole story. The current administration wants more city staff and facilities. A new city hall, a new rec center, a new maintenance facility and commensurate additional staff have all been under discussion at the city, and all can be at least partially funded by this new Parks District levy.

Complicating this is the apparent inability of our administration to appreciate the dangerous state of the economy, with plummeting revenues and skyrocketing personnel cost, and a state and county government which will be continually pushing large portions of their deepening budget shortfalls down onto us, making our financial situation even more precarious. This is a time for fiscal restraint, not expansion.

A "Yes" vote without an individual commitment from the voter to vigilantly work to restrain city spending will result in much higher taxes and an unmanageable deficit in our immediate future.

Tread carefully.

Rebuttal of statement for

No rebuttal submitted.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: John Rankin

Official Ballot Title

City of SeaTac**Proposition No. 1****Change in Plan of Government**

Shall the City of SeaTac abandon its present Council-Manager plan of government under which it currently operates under RCW 35A.13 and adopt in its place the Mayor-Council plan of government under the provisions of RCW 35A.12?

YES

NO

Statement for**Vote YES to Elected Mayor!**

- The head of SeaTac city government **IS NOT ELECTED**. The hired City Manager and 97% of staff live outside SeaTac.
- An elected Mayor must live in SeaTac, would have firsthand knowledge of issues, and be directly accountable to citizens. It's our RIGHT to ELECT our mayor.

YES to saving MILLIONS annually!

- The average City Manager budget is **\$8 MILLION MORE** than Elected Mayor budgets.
- City Managers and department heads enhance their resumes by building empires. New regulations result in more staff, larger fees, bigger budgets, and higher taxes.
- The SeaTac City Manager salary is **\$165,000 plus benefits**. Elected Mayors average \$78,000 LESS.

YES to checks and balances!

- Currently, the City Council holds both Executive and Legislative powers, resulting in unchecked authority over budgets and unequal code-enforcement. An elected Mayor (Executive) and elected Council (Legislative) provide checks and balances to prevent either from abusing power.
- Recently, the State Auditor found SeaTac violated contracting law and falsified bid tabulations while building a fire station; currently \$2 MILLION over budget. Two more fire stations are planned.
- The lack of checks and balances costs us MILLIONS.

<http://www.scfem.com/proof/> **MILLIONS WASTED ANNUALLY**

Rebuttal of statement against

Facts do not support the opposition's claims. High crime, graffiti, neglected neighborhoods, code enforcement, indifferent government, increasing taxes, fees, and over-regulation prove SeaTac isn't working effectively. Under hired City Manager government, expenses exceeded revenues by \$43 MILLION over the last five years. (<http://www.scfem.com/proof/>)

Claims that services will be disrupted and a Mayor would be inexperienced are fabricated. Most Washington cities (85%) select the more economical Mayor/Council government. Elect local, non-partisan, accountable leadership.

YES-PROPOSITION 1

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Earl Gipson, Pam Fernald, Cynthia Volkman

Explanatory Statement

SeaTac is authorized by state law to be governed under one of two plans of government. SeaTac now operates under the Council-Manager plan. If approved, this proposition would change the plan of government to the Mayor-Council plan.

Pursuant to RCW 35A.13, the Council-Manager plan of government, now in effect, consists of an elected city council which is the legislative body of the city. The council appoints the city manager who is the chief executive officer of the city government. The councilmembers choose a chairperson from among their number who has the title of mayor and who presides at meetings of the council and is recognized as the head of the city for ceremonial purposes.

Pursuant to RCW 35A.12, the government of a city which adopts the Mayor-Council plan is vested in an elected mayor and an elected city council. The council is the legislative body of the city. The mayor is the chief executive officer. The mayor may appoint a chief administrative officer. The mayor also presides at council meetings, but with a vote only in the case of a tie, and with right of veto subject to override by a majority of all councilmembers plus one.

A "Yes" vote is in favor of changing to the Mayor-Council plan of government.

A "No" vote is against the change and favors retention of the Council-Manager plan.

Statement against

VOTE AGAINST INCREASED CITY SPENDING. An elected mayor could require additional budget for salary, benefits, administrators, and support staff; as much as \$250,000. A full-time administrator would still be required to manage the city's day-to-day operations. A change of government disrupts city services thus increasing cost.

VOTE AGAINST INEXPERIENCED, UNQUALIFIED CITY MANAGEMENT. A City Manager is hired through a nationwide search. The job legally requires business experience and expertise. There are no qualification requirements for an elected mayor. Removing an ineffective elected mayor requires a costly recall leaving the city floundering during a long period of uncertainty. A hired City Manager can be removed by a majority Council vote.

VOTE AGAINST PARTISAN POLITICS. An elected mayoral campaign invites financial support by outside special interests. An elected mayor can hire whomever they want; inviting corruption. Our current Council-Manager form of government has 7 elected individuals who represent us. They share power and control equally; not one person control.

Our current form of government promotes accountability and transparency of elected officials. Our city budget is balanced and our finances are in order. SeaTac's city government is working effectively.

Rebuttal of statement for

The argument for abandoning our current, successful form of government is not convincing. Through our 7 elected council members our city government is approachable, accountable, and efficient. **SeaTac's budget is balanced.**

Our 7 elected council members provide responsive, balanced and effective representation. Vague references to runaway cost and cost savings for a strong mayor are unsubstantiated and false. 83% of the highest ranked cities use our Council/Manager form of government. **SeaTac's government works.**

<http://seatacworksnow.com/>

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Oren Hadaller, Scott Gregerson-Dahle, Tom Layden

Official Ballot Title

**Transportation Benefit District No. 1
Proposition No. 1
Vehicle License Fee**

The Board of Transportation Benefit District No. 1 passed Resolution No. 1 concerning this proposition for transportation improvement funding. The Transportation Benefit District was created by the City of Burien through City of Burien Ordinance No. 516 to provide funding for two transportation improvements described in the City Ordinance. This proposition would authorize the Transportation Benefit District to impose an annual vehicle license fee of twenty-five dollars within the District for the sole purpose of funding the costs of the bicycle and pedestrian improvements described in Exhibit A to the City Ordinance. Shall the vehicle license fee be authorized?

YES

NO

Statement for

As part of an ongoing effort to make Burien a great community, over 400 residents participated in a public process to identify primary routes that connect residential neighborhoods with parks, schools, and downtown. The result, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Master Plan, acknowledged our serious need for more sidewalks and bike lanes and prioritized projects to improve Burien residents' ability to get around town safely.

Now we have the opportunity to move forward on the most critical projects. These projects will improve east-west connectivity within Burien, support local businesses by making them easier to access on bike and on foot, promote physical activity, and establish safe routes to school.

The cost of these improvements is less than seven cents a day. For less than the price of a single tank of gas per year for the next two years, you can help build a diverse transportation system—whether you drive, ride the bus, bike, or walk. Improving our bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure will improve Burien's livability, air quality, community health, and economic vitality.

Endorsed by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, Cascade Bicycle Club, Transportation Choices Coalition, Futurewise, Senator Joe McDermott, and Representatives Dave Upthegrove and Sharon Nelson.

Rebuttal of statement against

Burien's property tax rate is 19th out of 39 King County cities, not 2nd. That will not change.

The projects' cost is known – estimated between \$850,000 and \$1,050,000. The vehicle license fee would raise about \$1,200,000 in two years, more than enough to complete both projects.

7 cents a day is worth it to give kids safe routes to school, to improve Burien's community health, and to get cars off our roads and highways.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Tara Grumm, Gloria Gould-Wessen, Joe Fitzgibbon

Statement against

Burien surveyed 404 people in 2008; the majority did not mention the need for more sidewalks and bike paths. Only 20% of the respondents to the 2008 Burien Community Survey suggested the improvement of walkways and paths/ bike lanes. East of Ambaum (the proposed projects areas), only 13% of the respondents suggested these improvements.

The actual cost of the projects is unknown; the vehicle fees will continue until projects are paid for. Fees may not end in two years. All citizens will use these improvements and should pay for them. In most cities, homes getting new sidewalks for the first time are assessed a sidewalk fee. None of the proposed projects is critical; this is the city's wish list at the expense of the resident vehicle owners. There is money in the current budget to cover critical sidewalk repairs.

Burien is the second highest property taxed city in King County. It did a \$20 million property tax give away to the Town Square condos. It asked for a \$25 million bond for a new fire station. A \$35 million Community Center tax will be coming. Currently Burien has a possible \$4 million shortfall. Burien needs to live within its existing revenue.

Rebuttal of statement for

The 2004 Citizen Master Plan group always planned that sidewalks and bike lanes would be funded by general tax dollars; not by new imposed vehicle taxes. These improvements only affect Burien's eastside. Newly annexed citizens will not be required to pay vehicle fees. Pro-statement Endorsers should be Burien residents who are willing to be taxed. Burien is in serious financial problems and is just creating new taxes rather than rethinking its spending priorities.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Chestine Edgar

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Official Ballot Title

Vashon Island School District No. 402

Proposition No. 1

Facilities and Technology Capital Projects Levy

The Board of Directors of Vashon Island School District No. 402 approved a proposition for capital project levies in Resolution No. 627. This proposition would fund renovations, improvements and preventative maintenance set out in the District's facilities and replacement plan and provide for instructional technology upgrades, and authorize the following excess levies on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2010	0.34277/\$1000	\$900,000
2011	0.34277/\$1000	\$900,000
2012	0.34277/\$1000	\$900,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES

NO

Statement for

We, the community, told the Vashon School Board, that we wanted preventive maintenance along with a fully funded maintenance program. Well, they heard our voices. This capital levy does just that. Almost one-third of the money collected will be used for maintenance. This levy allows for the purchase of necessary materials and equipment, and hires more staff to implement a comprehensive maintenance plan to extend the life of our facilities and equipment. This will save us money. The levy will also put away \$75,000 a year into a reserve, to be used for unforeseen emergencies.

The remaining two-thirds of the levy will be used for technology equipment and operations. Technology is always changing and we want our students to be adequately prepared with the technology tools for college and the world of work. This levy provides money for technology staff as well as computer replacements and updated programs. Having two system-wide wireless programs enhances security by allowing separate systems for the staff and students. Teachers will be able to continue to have professional development and enhance their classroom instruction with more knowledge and equipment.

This is the levy we want, money for maintenance and money for instructional technology. Vote Yes.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Hilary Emmer

Explanatory Statement

Passage of Proposition 1 would authorize the Vashon Island School District to levy annually for three years excess property taxes to pay costs for school improvements and instructional technology. The taxes collected by this levy will be deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund and used to fund renovations, improvements and preventative maintenance set out in the District's facilities maintenance and replacement plan and to provide for instructional technology infrastructure and equipment to improve student learning.

The proposed three-year capital levy would authorize the collection of taxes to provide \$900,000 in 2010, \$900,000 in 2011, and \$900,000 in 2012. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$0.34277 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2010, \$0.34277 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2011, and \$0.34277 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2012. The tax rate of approximately \$0.34277 per \$1,000 of assessed value projected for the first year of collection in 2010 would equate to \$171.39 per year (or \$14.28 per month) for a \$500,000 home.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to homeowners who are 61 or older, or disabled, and who meet certain income requirements. For more information, call the King County Department of Assessments 206.296.3920.

Statement against

No statement submitted.

Official Ballot Title

Vashon Park District

Proposition No. 1

Park District Levy for 2010 through 2015

Shall the Vashon Park District be authorized to impose a regular property tax levy of not more than \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation in each of 6 consecutive years beginning with collection in 2010, to pay operation and maintenance costs associated with the District's facilities, as provided in Resolution No. 09-030?

YES

NO

Passage of Proposition 1 would authorize the Vashon Park District to levy annually for six years excess property taxes to pay costs for operation and maintenance costs associated with the District's facilities. This levy will replace the District's expiring levy.

The proposed six-year capital levy would authorize the collection of levy amounts estimated to be not more than \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value in each of the years between 2010 and 2015. The tax rate of approximately \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value projected for the first year of collection in 2010 would equate to \$50.00 per year (or \$4.17 per month) for a \$100,000 home.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to homeowners who are 61 or older, or disabled, and who meet certain income requirements. For more information, call the King County Department of Assessments 206.296.3920.

Statement for

Vashon-Maury Islands' rural atmosphere is defined in large part by its 18 wooded, landscaped and waterfront parks, all maintained by the Vashon Park District via its tax levy. In addition to parks maintenance, this six-year levy will support development of existing properties and programs according to the community's goal of sustaining the Islands' current quality of life. This year's addition of the Senior Center underscores the District's comprehensive value to the community. Playgrounds, athletic fields, picnic areas, a boathouse, horse trails, youth, and adult sports programs, concerts and outdoor theatre all reflect our islands' true nature and that of its citizens.

Like its citizens, Vashon's Park District is uniquely independent. These are not King County parks. They are the property of Vashon-Maury Island residents. And, with every tax levy Vashon-Maury residents renew their ownership of Island parks. Unlike other taxing bodies on the Islands, the Park District has no other income source.

In other words, the Vashon Park District will NOT exist without the levy; it will go away.

A vote in favor of the Park District levy is a vote to sustain the quality of life that makes these islands our cherished home.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Bill Ameling

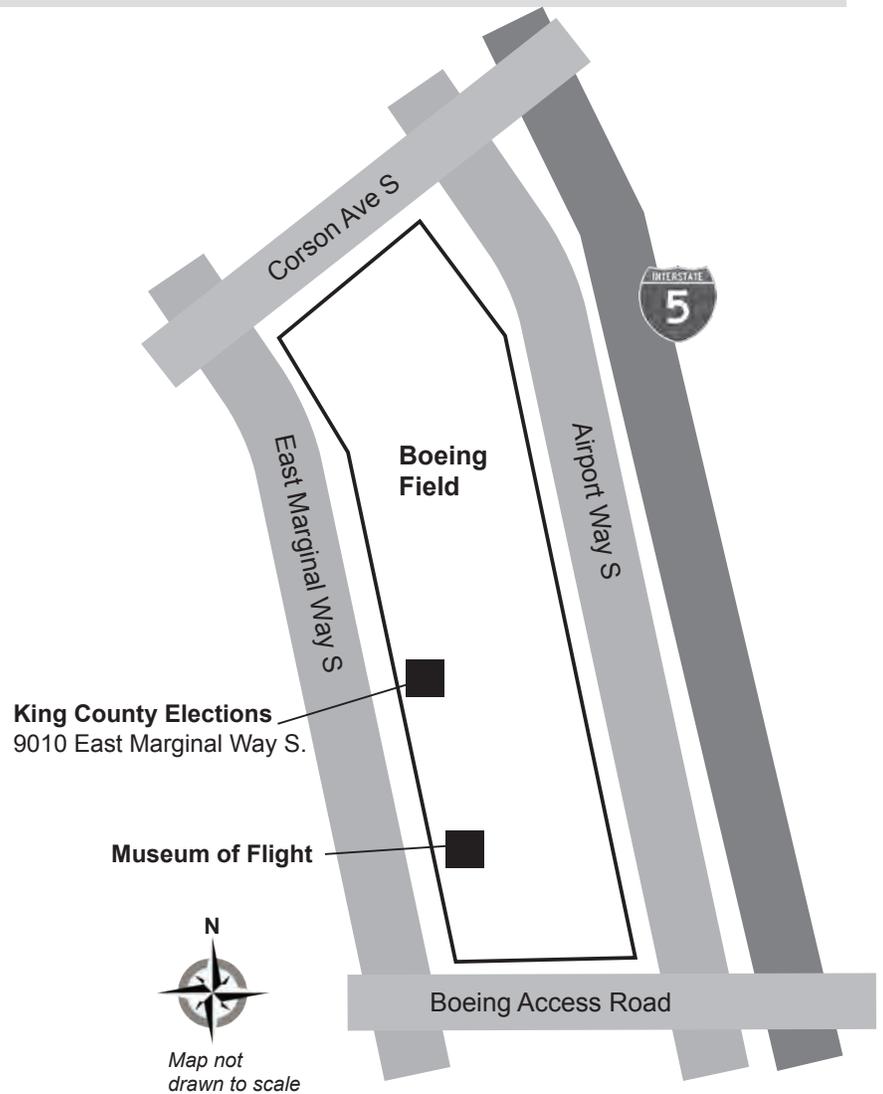
Statement against

No statement submitted.

We moved!

As a response to possible flooding associated with needed repairs at the Howard Hanson Dam, King County Elections has temporarily relocated all operations to a new location in Tukwila, near Boeing Field.

The new facility offers accessible voting during all elections.



King County Elections

- 9010 East Marginal Way S, Tukwila, 98108
- Open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- 206-296-VOTE (8683)

vote!

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King County now votes by mail

Your ballot will come soon in the mail.

All registered voters will be mailed a ballot for this and all future elections. Voters will have plenty of time to study the candidates and issues and return their ballot by mail or at a secured, 24-hour ballot drop box.

King County voters have been successfully voting by mail since February 2009. Voted ballots must be received at a designated drop box by 8 p.m. on election night, November 3, or be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before election day.

Track your ballot online!

Voters can use the King County Elections' Web site to track their ballot's progress online, as it is processed.

Learn more at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Instructions

Making selections

Use a dark pen to completely fill in the oval next to your choice.



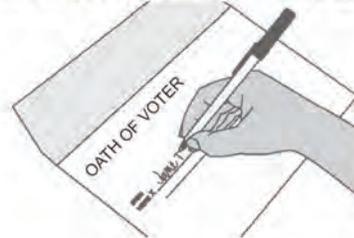
! Do not cut, tear or damage ballot.

Returning the ballot

Insert completed ballot into security envelope.



Insert security envelope containing completed ballot into return envelope. Sign the oath on the return envelope.



Optional

Write-in

To vote for a write-in candidate, write the name and darken the oval.



Making corrections

To make a correction, draw a line through the candidate's name. You then have the option of making another choice.



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24-hour ballot drop boxes

Return your ballot without postage at one of the ballot drop boxes located throughout the county by 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 3.

King County locations

Auburn Library

1102 Auburn Wy S, 98002

Library Connection@Crossroads

(Crossroads Shopping Center)
15600 NE 8th St, Bellevue 98008

Black Diamond Library

24707 Roberts Dr, 98010

Covington Library

27100 164th Ave SE, 98042

Des Moines Library

21620 11th Ave S, 98198

Earlington Business Center

919 SW Grady Wy, Renton 98057

Fall City Library

33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024

Federal Way Library

848 S 320th St, 98003

Kent Regional Library

212 2nd Ave N, 98032

Lake Forest Park Library

17171 Bothell Wy NE, 98155

White Center Library

11220 16th Ave SW, Seattle 98146

Woodinville Library

17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072

Seattle location

King County Administration Building

500 4th Ave, 98104

Seattle Neighborhood Service Centers

Ballard

5604 22nd Ave NW, 98107

Lake City

12525 28th Ave NE, 98125

Central

2301 S Jackson, 98144

Southeast

3815 S Othello St, 98118

Delridge

5405 Delridge Wy SW, 98106

University

4534 University Wy NE, 98105

Accessible voting centers

Voters with disabilities can cast a private and independent ballot at the following locations, dates and times.

King County Elections-- New location!

9010 East Marginal Way S, Tukwila, 98108

Weekdays, October 14 – November 2:

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 31: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Bellevue City Hall 450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, 98009

Seattle, Union Station 401 S Jackson St, Seattle, 98104

Friday, October 30: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday, October 31: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Monday, November 2: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.



206-296-VOTE (8683)

Frequently asked questions: vote by mail



What is vote by mail?

Vote by mail is a method of distributing ballots in an election. Instead of using traditional polling places where voters go to cast ballots, a ballot is mailed to each registered voter. The ballot is then voted and returned to King County to be counted.

What do I have to do?

If your address and registration is current, your ballot packet will automatically be mailed to you. Once you vote the ballot, place it in the security envelope and seal it in the return envelope. Be sure to read and sign the voter oath on the return envelope.

When must my voted ballot be returned?

The voted ballot must be received at a designated drop box by 8 p.m. on election night, November 3, or be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before election day.

What if I make a mistake?

If you make a mistake, correct it using the instructions on the ballot.

How do I know if my ballot is received?

Visit www.kingcounty.gov/elections to track your ballot at several points as it is processed.

What if I lose my ballot?

If you lose your ballot, call King County Elections at 206-296-8683 and request a replacement ballot. Your ballot has been cast as soon as you deposit it in the mailbox or at a drop site. After that, you cannot receive a new ballot to re-vote.

What if my ballot doesn't come?

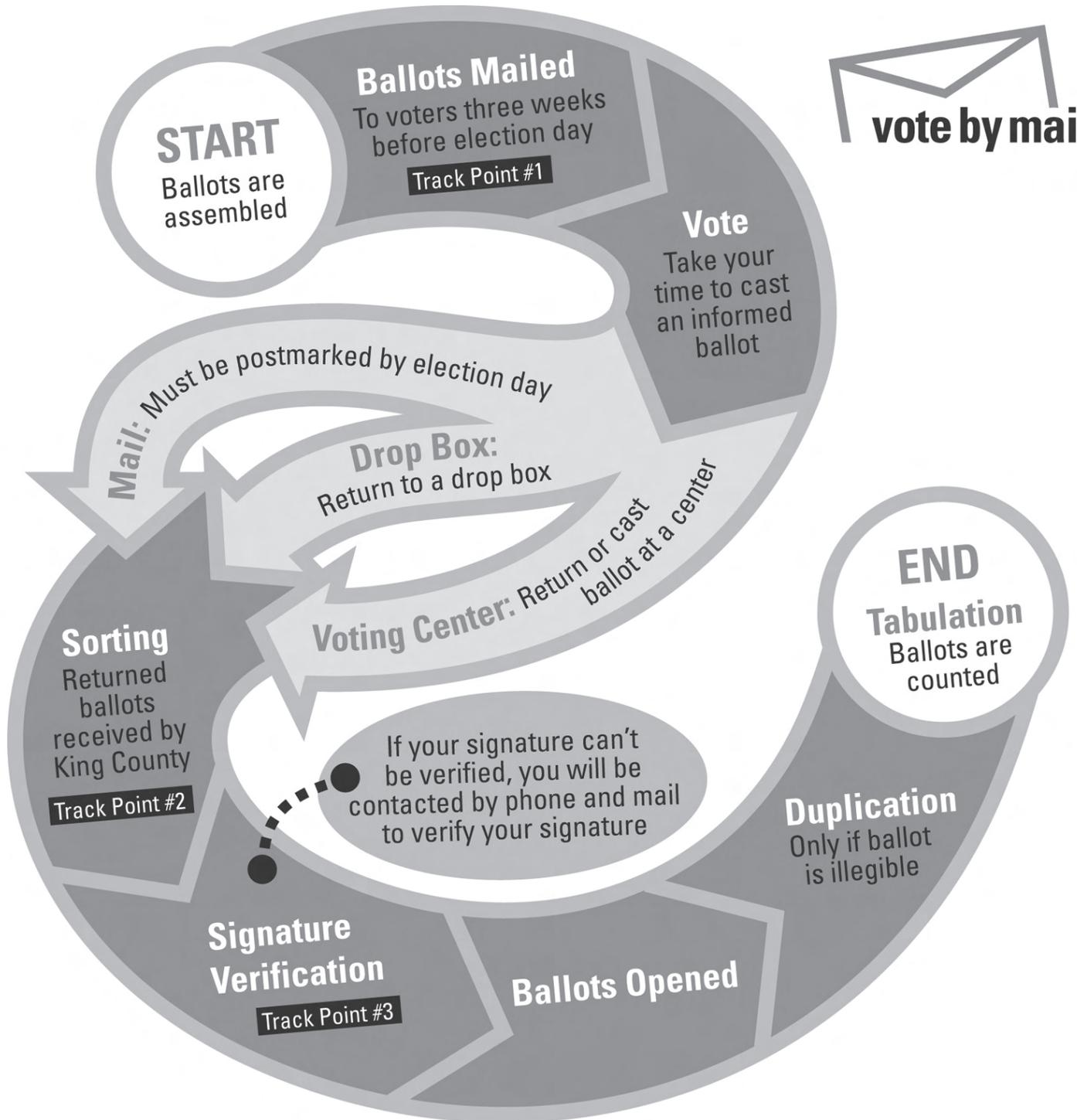
If you have not received your ballot by October 23, call us and we will mail you a replacement ballot.

Will my vote still count if I forget to put my ballot into the security envelope?

Yes, your ballot will still be counted.

When will election results be known?

Ballot counting cannot begin until election day. Initial results are released after 8 p.m. on election night and will be updated once a day in the days that follow until all ballots have been counted. Final certification of results will occur on November 24.



Chinese language assistance is available

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In compliance with Federal law, King County produces all election materials in both English and Chinese.

Federal law requires counties to provide language assistance if more than 10,000 or 5 percent of voting age citizens in a jurisdiction are members of a single-language minority group who do not speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process.

If you need language assistance or would like your ballot or voters' pamphlet in Chinese, call 206-296-8683 or visit www.kingcounty.gov/election/chinese.aspx.

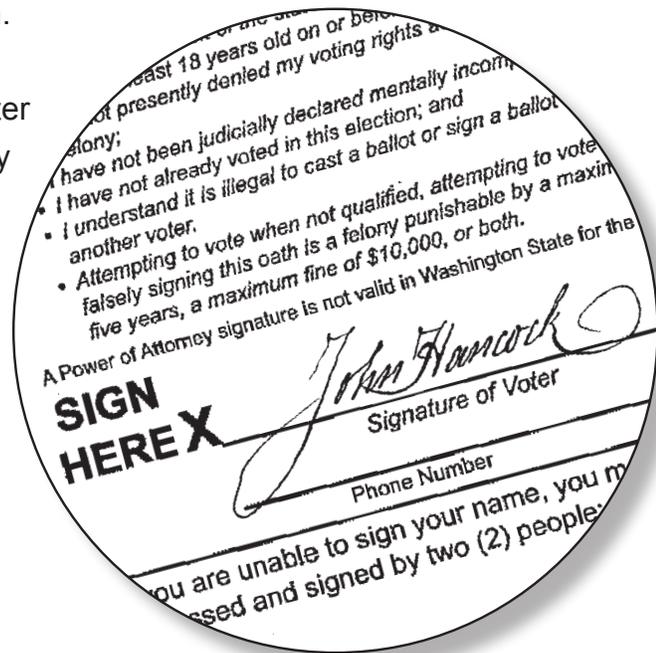
Alternative formats of this voters' pamphlet are available upon request. Contact King County Elections at 206-296-8683, TTY 711, for more information.

Your signature is as important as your vote

Before any ballot is counted, trained staff compare the signature on every mailed ballot envelope with the signature on the voter's registration.

If the signature does not match, the voter is contacted by phone and mail to verify their signature. If this happens to you, make sure you respond quickly, so your ballot counts.

While there are many reasons this could occur, common reasons include the length of time that has passed since the voter first registered to vote, the voter initialing instead of signing or simply forgetting to sign.



Your role

- › Take your time to carefully sign the voter oath on your return envelope.
- › Keep your address current. If you move, let us know.
- › Your signature is as important as your vote. Make sure it's up-to-date.