# A note from King County Elections

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(nonpartisan office • short and full term)



### Susan Hutchison

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**Occupation:** Executive Director - Non-Profit Arts and Sciences Foundation

Education: B.S. -- University of Florida

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 <u>cut wasteful spending and balance the</u> <u>budget</u>.

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

HELP SMALL BUSINESSES CREATE JOBS. Small businesses are the engine of our economy. <u>I'll fight for tax</u> 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. <u>I'll appoint a leader to coordinate our</u> <u>transportation policy</u> 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

**Education:** Law Degree, Master's Degree in Urban Planning, and Bachelor's Degree, UW; West Seattle High School

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** 

# King County Sheriff

(nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Sue Rahr

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#### Occupation: Sheriff of King County

**Education:** BA, Criminal Justice- Washington State University, Cum Laude

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)



# Graham Albertini

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**Occupation:** Certified Residential Appraiser, Former Appraisal Manager, College Instructor.

**Education:** B.A. University of Washington. UW Certificate in Organizational Communication

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

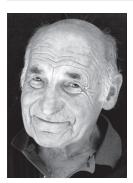
My qualifications and experience are ideal to lead the Assessor's Office. I have been a full-time appraisal professional since the age of 22. At age 26 I was promoted to manage a large appraisal department in Bellevue. I am one of fewer than 700 people nationwide certified to teach the Appraisal Standards 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 <u>high standards are not negotiable</u>.

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. <u>I publicly exposed</u> 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 <u>I'll fight just as hard to protect your interests as property owners</u>.

As your Assessor, I will • Work to ensure homeowners are taxed on a realistic assessment of their home, <u>not</u> 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.



## Gene Lux

10850 Dixon Drive S Seattle, WA 98178 206-772-3177 evlux@comcast.net 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.

# King County Assessor

(nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



# Lloyd Hara

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**Occupation:** Seattle Port Commissioner and Small Business Owner

**Education:** BA in Economics, U of Wash.; Masters in Public Administration, U of Wash.

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 awardwinning 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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Occupation: Retired Deputy Assessor and real estate investor

**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 Ruthe Ridder, Senator Margarita Prentice, Senator Joe McDermott, Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos, and other regional leaders.

# 60 King County Assessor

(nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



### **Bob Blanchard**

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Occupation: Certified Public Accountant Education: B.A., University of Washington

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 82<sup>nd</sup> 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.

# King County Council District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Julia Patterson

206-276-5779

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**.

# King County Council District No. 7 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Pete von Reichbauer

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Occupation: King County Councilmember Education: BA, University of Alabama

#### Accessible...Accountable...Advocacy

Listening is the beginning of understanding. Whether meeting in neighborhoods or gathering in community libraries, I have brought government closer to South King County residents.

While fighting for improved parks and recreational facilities for all ages, I have worked to improve senior services for our community. As a founding board member (1974) of the Auburn-Federal Way Boys and Girls Club, a 12-year trustee on the original board of St. Francis Hospital, and as past president of Kiwanis, I listen and respond to the diverse voices in our community.

The position of councilmember is more than voting yes or no. While I have worked to improve our region through legislation, I believe my primary responsibility is to serve as your personal advocate.

As your councilmember, I will continue to work for increased efficiencies and cuts to non-essential services before impacting public safety or considering new revenues.

I appreciate your support, and I welcome **your** suggestions as we work to make King County Government more effective, more responsive, and more financially responsible in representing the needs of our region.



### Reagan Dunn

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**Occupation:** Prior to election I served the U.S. Department of Justice.

**Education:** I am a graduate of the University of Washington School of Law, Order of Barristers

It has been an honor to represent you on the King County Council since 2005.

In my first term, I have opposed unnecessary tax increases and fought for fiscal responsibility and spending priorities. I am proud to have protected public safety, strengthened property rights, increased transparency in taxation and protected thousands of acres of open space.

There is still much to do. King County faces another \$50 million deficit in 2010. Others want to raise your taxes to cover this deficit, but I oppose new taxes during this recession because our families are burdened enough. In this economy, King County needs to encourage economic growth that will provide local jobs, not reach for more taxes from you.

Over the next four years, I will strive to reform King County's finances, protect public safety services and improve our quality of life by finding solutions to local problems.

All eight mayors in District 9 have endorsed me and I am rated "Outstanding" by the King County Municipal League. In their endorsement, *The Seattle Times* describes me as "a cool head... with a sturdy commitment to public safety and a willingness to challenge council groupthink."

I work for you and would appreciate your vote.



## **Beverly Harison Tonda**

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Occupation: Multi-State Leadership & Financial Services Trainer

**Education:** B.A. Business Administration University of Washington & Senior Professional in Human Resources

I've lived in King County for 50 years, and am second generation Washingtonian. Richard Harison, my ancestor, was the first Attorney General for the state of New York appointed by George Washington. I believe, and I think Richard would agree, that The People have the responsibility to work with their government and at times guestion it. I serve on the Greater Maple Valley Unincorporated Area Council a long-time voice in our community. I'm concerned for our environment; believe that private property rights must be a priority, and King County should be consistent in how it interprets and applies the codes. My work history includes conflict mediation; I train financial leaders across this great nation, and have the skill set to balance a budget. I volunteer, and have brought issues like Ravensdale Park to the attention of our current leaders. I engage in interfaith dialog, and am a leader in diversity initiatives. I didn't grow up in an affluent family, and like Dr. King I believe that you have to work hard and put your dreams into action when you know you're the right person for the job.

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



# Anne L. Ellington

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**Occupation:** Judge Ellington serves on the Court of Appeals. **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 <u>Governor Christine Gregoire</u>, <u>Chief</u> <u>Justice Gerry Alexander</u>, <u>King County Prosecuting Attorney</u> <u>Dan Satterburg</u>, former <u>Superior Court Presiding Judge Charles</u> <u>V. Johnson</u>, <u>Ruth Woo</u>, <u>Judy Maleng</u>, and the <u>37<sup>th</sup> District</u> <u>Democrats</u>.

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



# John Creighton

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**Occupation:** Business lawyer specializing in corporate financings and cross-border transactions.

**Education:** JD, Columbia University; BA and MA, International Relations, Johns Hopkins University; Interlake High School, Bellevue

# 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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#### Occupation: Biofuel/Truck Fleet Fuel Salesman

**Education:** Masters of Public Administration, Seattle University, 2004

#### Rob Holland For Port Commission Direct Port Experience

Rob is the only candidate in this position with diverse, handson 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...



## David Doud

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#### Occupation: Investment Properties Broker

**Education:** MBA from Thunderbird School of Global Management

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.

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



### Tom Albro

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**Occupation:** Small business owner, Municipal League Chair (former), and Civil Engineer.

**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 <u>both sides of the aisle</u> 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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**Occupation:** Longshore Worker, former four term Democratic Legislator

Education: BA University of Puget Sound; Grays Harbor College, Student Body President

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.



### Pete Lewis

1402 Auburn Way N, Ste 188 Auburn, WA 98002 253-833-8728 www.petelewis.org

#### Occupation: Mayor, City of Auburn

Education: Mesa Junior College, Certificate Institute of Financial Education You have a clear choice in this election to **move forward** or retreat into the past. Together we have made significant progress towards the Auburn our families want and deserve. During this time of crisis my **30 years of management** and leadership have been crucial to maintaining the financial stability of the city. We still face challenges of possible floods, economic concerns, but we are facing them together.

We are making our **neighborhoods safer**, **improving our streets**, **increasing Veterans' services** and establishing **excellent parks**, refurbishing older ones and adding new park programs. We are working together towards **economic development** to support and **expand our business community** in order to **decrease citizen's property tax burdens** and **create jobs**.

You have shared your vision and concerns with me and together we have worked on strategies and solutions. I ask for your vote and support for the future of our families.



# Virginia Haugen

**Occupation:** Boeing retiree, former small business partner, small business management, manufacturing

Education: High School, college courses

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

Virginia Haugen believes the focus of city government should be to provide basic services cost effectively. She has continuously defended taxpayers and local businesses against actions taken by the current mayor.

In the past 6 years the mayor of Auburn and the city council members, with the exception of Virginia Haugen, have spent the millions on a redevelopment plan that is not working. Rental agreements will keep the city in debt for another 12 years. Pete Lewis entered into an agreement to build a \$24,000,000 annex to City Hall that the city cannot possibly afford.

Councilmember Haugen loves Auburn and will sacrifice salary to bring in legal and professional administrators in order to eliminate unnecessary spending.

Haugen stands up for the people she represents in Auburn. She is not intimidated by egotistical politicians and does not need money from special interests. Vote Haugen!

# Gene Cerino

1402 22<sup>nd</sup> NE #28 Auburn, WA 98002 253-939-6889 www.genecerino.com

**Occupation:** Retired but working as a Substitute Teacher.

**Education:** Bachelor degree WSU 5<sup>th</sup> year certificate and over 100 hours advanced study.

Gene has 12 years of experience as a member of the Auburn City Council he understands the procedures and the process of local government, including the problems a city faces dealing with mandates from the County, State and National levels. As a 50 year resident of Auburn he understands the needs and desires of the community. This is a time in which experience in procedure will be very important in dealing with keeping Auburn at the table not an item on the menu.

Gene has served on every standing committee and has been chair of the Municipal Services Committee for the past 6 years. He has served on the Governance board of the Valley Regional Fire Association since its inception. Being a council member means being committed to representing the citizens of Auburn where needed and when needed I stand ready to give 100% effort in fulfilling this office.



# John T. Partridge

43 Pike Street SE Auburn, WA 98002 www.votepartridge.com

**Occupation:** Second generation owner of the Partridge Insurance Agency established 1965.

Education: Auburn Senior High 1982, Bachelor of Science, Multnomah Bible College 1997 JOHN PARTRIDGE is a third generation resident and homeowner in Auburn. John has a long history of community service and has been a local business owner for 14 years. When approached to run for office, John was ready to serve. John has the leadership abilities, skills, and background to face the challenges of city government. John brings fresh perspectives, solid values, and common sense solutions to the council. He's not bound by "that's how we've always done it." He has the citizens' and business owners' best interests in mind. John wants current and future generations to have the same sense of community, safety, and opportunities that his family experienced. He is an ear and a voice for all of Auburn. With Partridge it is business, not business as usual. A vote for Partridge is a vote for our future. Valley Professional Firefighters endorse John Partridge for city council position #2.



### Nancy Backus

1803 Fourth Street NE Auburn, WA 98002 206-459-9680

**Occupation:** Auburn City Councilmember & Financial Accounting Manager, The Boeing Company

Education: A.A. Green River Community College & B.S. in Accounting at City University **Qualified:** I bring fiscal responsibility and experience to the Auburn City Council as Chair of the Finance Committee and Vice-Chair of the Planning & Community Development Committee. I have represented Auburn on local, regional and national committees. Especially now, during difficult economic times, I believe accountability and experience are imperative, but my compassion and dedication are also perfect complements for our city!

**Involved:** I volunteer for numerous community organizations and events. I believe it is my responsibility and honor to give back to my community. I was part of a team that completed the Breast Cancer 3 Day Walk last year. It's amazing what can be accomplished when working together for a common cause. Let's continue working together to make Auburn the best place to call "home."

My husband Kemon and I have been married for 12 years; and are proud parents of an 11 year-old daughter Alexis (Lucky).

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



# Rich Wagner

PO Box 813 Auburn, WA 98071 253-939-7332 rkwagnerr@comcast.net

Occupation: Research Engineer, retired

Education: Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Washington State University, MS Engineering, Santa Clara University City Councilman Rich Wagner has lived in Auburn for 31 years. He is recognized as fair, intelligent and hard working. A retired technology manager, Rich has business knowledge and engineering skills. He knows how to change and improve the way things are done in government, especially during this time of economic uncertainty when expenditures and taxes must be minimized.

Rich's priorities are: Honoring Auburn's small town heritage. Budgeting conservatively. Protecting neighborhoods. Encouraging sensible growth that will provide jobs and civic benefits. Soliciting citizen input. Providing outstanding police and fire service. Improving streets. Seeking county, state and federal grants for roads, transit and social services. Expanding parks and recreation opportunities. Encouraging arts and historic preservation. Balancing long-term planning and current problem solving.

Rich and Kay have four grown children. His 97-year-old mother, Beth, lives in Auburn. He is a member of the Washington State University Engineering Board and the Backcountry Horsemen.

### Municipal Court Judge (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Patrick Burns

253-670-0506 PatrickBurns5@gmail.com

Occupation: Municipal Court Judge

Education: BA University of Washington; JD Seattle University School of Law

It will be an honor and a privilege to continue to serve the citizens of Auburn as their municipal court judge for another four years. Over the past twelve years, your municipal court has led the way in establishing innovative and effective programs to deal with offenders. Auburn's court has the best programs of any community in the state for dealing with drug addicted and/or alcoholic criminals. In addition, our city operates the only mental health court in the Puget Sound region outside of Seattle. The results have benefited our community greatly. Offenders who have been through treatment are less than 20% likely to reoffend in Auburn compared to those who don't receive treatment. A decade ago, of all the cities in the state, Auburn's crime rate per thousand was the 4<sup>th</sup> highest. Last year Auburn was rated 26<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your continued support.

# City of Black Diamond Mayor (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Howard Botts

PO Box 261 Black Diamond, WA 98010 360-886-2692 hbotts@comcast.net

Occupation: City Councilman, Planning Commissioner, Mayor

**Education:** Highschool, Trade school, Taught College

It has been my honor to serve the citizens of Black Diamond for over 40 years. There are many challenges we have faced in implementing the city's goal of keeping Black Diamond "Rural by Design." We have kept a balance between large corporate land owners and the needs and desires of the people of Black Diamond. I will treat all entities fairly, but will check and verify all plans that might hinder our Healthy Growth or our Green Environment. The challenges are large; developers with their plans, spring water purchase attempts, and the list continues to grow.

Change in Black Diamond is here and we have been leading the way in addressing those changes. Transparency in City Government and its leadership is a must. I will not accept any monetary support from large corporations. I ask for your vote to continue as mayor of the great City of Black Diamond.



# Rebecca Olness

30432 227<sup>th</sup> Place SE Black Diamond, WA 98010 360-886-1853 www.olnessformayor.com

**Occupation:** Retired Educator; Black Diamond Councilmember

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree; Master of Education Degree, University of Washington As a resident of the area for over thirty-five years, I am committed to maintain the quality of life our citizens enjoy. I believe that public safety must be a top priority and that we need to remain fiscally responsible. Black Diamond is about to experience great growth and development. Yes, growth is necessary for survival, but we need to protect the environment and maintain the rural charm of our city as we acquire and welcome new businesses, services, and residents. With conscientious planning, we can make thoughtful and intelligent decisions that will provide for smart development.

With my background in education, leadership skills and experience as a City Councilor, I believe that I am the person to guide the City as we approach new challenges. This is a time for energetic and impartial leadership based on solid principles of integrity and innovation. **It's Time For a Change!** 

### Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Geoff Bowie 26052 Lawson Street

Black Diamond, WA 98010 360-886-7051

**Occupation:** Construction Estimator for 20+ years.

Education: High School Graduate.

I have been a resident of Black Diamond since 1988. My wife Emmy & I moved to Black Diamond, her hometown, to raise our two boys. In the 12 years that I have served on the council the City has seen many changes. It has been my first priority to make sure that **growth will be controlled**, **environmentally sound** and **at the least cost and impact to the existing citizens**. I have always believed that growth should pay for growth. Many of our residents can't and should not have to bear the increased burden. In the next few years we will continue to feel the effects of the economy. Being mindful of how we spend funds and making sure our City budget is sustainable will continue to be a major priority.

With your vote I will continue to represent the citizens of Black Diamond.



# Craig Goodwin

29044 222<sup>nd</sup> Place SE Black Diamond, WA 98010 360-886-1847

Occupation: Business Manager

Education: Masters in Business Finance - WSU Our city is currently faced with unprecedented growth. Given the annexation of adjacent land into the city by our city council, we are now faced with needing to accommodate over 6,000 new homes and 18,000 new residents over the next 20 years. Unfortunately, the horse is out of the barn and we can no longer stop or even slow the developers. It's time for a new and strong voice on the council! Working together, let's hold the developers accountable for their promises. Let's stop Nestle from stealing our spring water rights. Let's bring openness and transparency to the council. Let's retain the character of our community.

With many years of experience in land use planning and providing water and sewer infrastructure to communities around the country, I will bring a fresh, informed and vital community perspective to our city council.

# 70 City of Black Diamond Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



## Jim Kuzaro

I am a lifelong city resident and business owner and I served on the planning commission. I am familiar with development issues and understand the importance of economic development. I raised three kids as a single father and am aware of the need for local services and recreation. I plan to retire in Black Diamond but I know that if I want my children, and grandchildren, to live here too the City must provide greater services and amenities. I want to make sure the city grows in a manner that is beneficial to existing residents and mindful of our quiet country charm. Though an outdoorsman, I was disappointed by the way the City Council discounted the will of the citizens in adopting the SAO. I want to give a voice to my fellow citizens who are often too busy to attend meetings. I will listen to and inform my neighbors.



# William Saas

32524 McKay Lane Black Diamond, WA 98010 360-886-5254 www.williamforcitycouncil.com

Occupation: Sales and Marketing for 11+ years

Education: High School Graduate, Business Leadership Graduate and currently Berean School of the Bible College Are you informed of the changes our city of Black Diamond will make over the coming years? Are you aware of the possible impact it may have on you and your family?

My name is **William Saas** and I am asking for your vote for the **Black Diamond City Council Position #4**. My passion as your city councilman is to bring to you a greater awareness on matters that directly impact you and your family's quality of life.

Case in point, our city was recently in jeopardy of losing much of its pure spring water to a large corporation and most of our citizens were completely unaware. As we are poised for residential and commercial growth, I seek to preserve the small town culture we have all grown to enjoy. I look forward to meeting you in the upcoming months, listening to your story and understanding your perspective.

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



# Fawn Sieger

1150 Raymond Avenue SW Renton, WA 98042 253-630-8822 fawn@accessfloorcorp.com

Occupation: President and CEO of Access Floor Corp

Education: B.S. Mechanical Engineering

I have lived in Covington, WA since 2004 and have been privileged to watch a tremendous amount of growth occur throughout the city. Keeping with this trend, I would like to have an active part in the future growth, development and maintenance of Covington. With a degree in Mechanical Engineering, 10 years work experience in commercial construction and 5 years experience owning a manufacturing company, I feel that I possess the skills, knowledge and understanding necessary in making decisions to help better our city. I have the potential to be a valuable asset to the City of Covington. A vote for me will not be wasted.



### Mark Lanza

26414 199<sup>th</sup> Place SE Covington, WA 98042 253-630-3284 re-electmarklanza.com It has been an honor and privilege to have served you. As your elected representative I will continue to represent your interests in the growth and management of our great city.

I will continue to be a fiscally conservative steward of your tax dollars. I opposed the recent utility tax believing that it should have been placed on the ballot for **YOU** to decide. With the exception of the **voter approved** one percent increase, I have voted against every property tax increase.

Transportation is still a top priority. We have completed four major road projects during my tenure on the council and a fifth one beginning this fall. I will do everything necessary to make sure our six year transportation improvement plan is completed.

Obtaining funding to develop Covington Community Park (240<sup>th</sup> &  $180^{th}$ ) will also remain a top priority for me.

Thank you for your past and continued support.

### Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



# David Lucavish

26219 188<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Covington, WA 98042 253-639-5729 dlucavish@gmail.com

#### Occupation: Computer Store Owner

Education: Woodrow Wilson High School, Tacoma Community College

I am invested in the Covington community. I have served 6 years on the Covington Economic Development Council, 5 years on the Kent School District Career and Technical Training Committee, and am on the Kent School District General Advisory Committee and I am on the board of the Covington Chamber of Commerce. Last year I was selected as the City's "Citizen of the Year" and the Covington Chamber of Commerce "Volunteer of the Year."

My interest is to be part of the plan that shapes Covington in the next 20 years and to be that conduit of communication between the citizens of our community and the City of Covington. My favorite phrase is "common sense is not too common." I ask for your vote in November.

#### No statements or photos were submitted for the following candidates:

Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term) Wayne Snoey

Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term) James A. Scott Sr.

# 72 City of Enumclaw Mayor (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# John Wise

1214 Harding Street Enumclaw, WA 98022 360-825-7917 www.WiseForMayor.com

Liz Reynolds

Enumclaw, WA 98022

253-709-3815

Member

liz@lizlistens.com

718 Griffin Avenue, PMB 331

Occupation: Retired Airline Captain

It has been an honor to serve as your Mayor for the past 8 years. My wife and I have been long time residents. We enjoy and support the many wonderful functions that take place in our town. During my term as Mayor, I have been able to accomplish: transfer of the golf course, swimming pool, fair grounds and \$2 million from King County to Enumclaw, upgrade and expansion of the waste water treatment plant, an overdue facelift for downtown and new public restroom, and a much utilized trail. There is much more that needs to be done including the Welcome/Transit center, Community/Senior Center, trail expansion, tourism plan, road improvements, signage, community center, stadium improvements and more. I am excited about what has been accomplished and what is still left to be done. I have the vision, energy and relationships to make things happen. I would appreciate your vote. www.WiseForMayor.com

Our city needs new, effective, transparent leadership. I am that leader. I have listened to your concerns and will meet the challenges. As Mayor, I will create trustworthy partnerships necessary to move Enumclaw forward in a smart, responsible manner. Priorities include implementing a cost effective plan for streets, storm water public safety, and responsible management of our utilities. Creating

water, public safety, and responsible management of our utilities. Creating an efficient, accountable, team-oriented administration is essential. Working together with all stakeholders of our community, we can build upon diverse recreational opportunities to attract commerce and create jobs ensuring Enumclaw will be a sustainable community for future generations.

Elect me as your Mayor and get Enumclaw back on track. It is time to move forward together!

Endorsed by: Enumclaw Firefighters Local #3931, Enumclaw Police Officers Association, King County Fire District #28 Commissioners, Washington State Council of Firefighters. Majority of Enumclaw City Council. Visit www.lizlistens.com for more information and endorsements.

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

Occupation: Small Business Owner,

2005-current Enumclaw City Council

AS Culinary Arts Johnson and Wales

Education: BA Business Management,

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# Glen B. Jensen

University, Providence RI

360-825-5816 glen@electjensen.com

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Education: BA University of Puget Sound

Glen was born and raised in the city and is the third generation in his family to live here. Preserving the quality of life we all enjoy on the plateau is one of Glen's main concerns. He believes in maintaining the city's infrastructure ensuring the safe delivery of city services to its residents. Glen knows the issues facing our community. He will encourage economic prosperity through the promotion of small business which will cultivate a stronger tax base for the City of Enumclaw.

Glen has been involved in various organizations within the city: Former City Council Member (two terms), Enumclaw Chamber of Commerce past board member and president, and Mount Rainier Business Alliance board member. "I believe that to preserve the quality of life in Enumclaw, residents need to be aware of the challenges facing us and support the leaders in our community that have integrity."

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

	Kevin Mahelona	
No	kevin.mahelona@gmail.com	
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	Occupation: Director Revenue Accounting - Eddie Bauer LLC	
	Education: BS - Business Management & Accounting BYU-Hawaii	

It has been a privilege to serve on the Enumclaw City Council for the past 7+ years. I've used the following principles to guide my actions as your elected representative:

Listen to all points of view. Use common sense when making decisions and not letting "the process" make the decision. Work in an engaged cooperative manner with other governmental and private agencies to leverage limited resources for the mutual benefit of our community. My priorities are:

Provide the basic core services we all rely on to keep our community safe and a place in which we want to live and raise our families in. Support economic development activities which will improve our community and not jeopardize our future.

I'm asking for your support once again on Election Day - Thank you.

Council Assignments: Mayor Pro Tem, Chair Public Safety Committee and Fire Oversight Board, Finance Committee.

# City of Enumclaw Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

# Michael Ennis

No Photo Submitted 712 Victor Street Enumclaw, WA 98022 360-825-0170 michaelnwa@hotmail.com

Education: B.A., M.P.A.

I would appreciate your vote for Enumclaw City Council. I am running to continue my effort in returning the city's focus back to basic services and transparency. Thank you.

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



PO Box 1237 Enumclaw, WA 98022 360-825-8324 seankrebs@gmail.com

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner: Real Estate/Home Improvements

**Education:** Association of Washington Cities Certified Municipal Leader I'm running for Enumclaw City Council to use my skills and experience to benefit the City in these critical times. As a small business owner, I'm acutely aware of the challenges facing Enumclaw's residents and businesses, and as a former two-term Council Member, I have the experience to guide Enumclaw on a prudent and sustainable path for the future. In eight years, I was a member of every Council committee. I was Chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee, which will be useful as issues of annexation, business development, and land management are increasingly important. As King County Fair Board Past-President, I will make well-informed decisions regarding the Expo Center. Because of my experience, and my service through eight budget cycles, I'm current on the issues Enumclaw faces. In fact, I've attended so many classes and workshops pertaining to City government, I'm recognized as a Certified Municipal Leader.

No Photo Submitted

# **Cleet Christianson**

1916 Lowell Avenue Enumclaw, WA 98022 360-825-9513 cleet1@comcast.net

**Occupation:** Automated Control Specialist, Port of Seattle

Education: BS Physics, Western Washington University

I will carry out the position of councilman to serve the citizens of Enumclaw. I am committed to logical and practical decisions that best support the community. We must keep focused on maintaining the city's infrastructure, emergency and community services. As your councilman I will emphasize a sustainable budget and policies that support the needs of the people.

# 74 City of Kent Mayor (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



### Suzette Cooke

25307 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Kent, WA 98042 253-631-5021 www.suzettecooke.com

#### Occupation: Mayor of Kent

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



### Jim Berrios

PO Box 6454 Kent, WA 98064 253-350-1811 www.jimberrios.com

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

Education: Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, CA

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: <u>Outstanding</u>.

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

25860 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Kent, WA 98042 206-383-9234 www.electjamie.com

#### 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.

# City of Kent Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Dana Ralph

23307 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue S Kent, WA 98031 253-332-0760 www.danaforcouncil.com

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

PO Box 5605 Kent, WA 98064-5605 253-508-9999 dennis@dennisrhiggins.com

Occupation: Information Technology Manager

Education: B.A., Geography, University of Washington

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.

# Elizabeth Albertson

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

PO Box 541 Kent, WA 98035 206-595-3627 elizabethalbertson@comcast.net

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Communities in Schools of Kent

**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 problemsolver 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 Koepp

4307 S 220<sup>th</sup> Place Kent, WA 98032 206-380-1152 koepp4kentcouncil@comcast.net

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 Koepp.

# 76 City of Kent Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Robert McSeveney

PO Box 50532 Bellevue, WA 98015-0532 425-264-0165 www.judgemcseveney.com

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

10216 SE 256<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 103 (PMB 170) Kent, WA 98030 253-740-7091 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.

# **City of Maple Valley** Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Jim Flynn

22301 SE 236th Place Maple Valley, WA 98038 206-948-0168 jimflynnlovesmv.com

Occupation: commercial property and economic development management

Education: Tahoma High School, Washington State University (BA), and Seattle University School of Law (JD)



# **Bill Allison**

PO Box 996 Maple Valley, WA 98038-0996 206-437-7842 bill@bill2009.com

Occupation: Small Business Manager Education: North Central University

My long record of community service demonstrates my dedication to my home town and shows that I am independent, honest, unbiased, and ethical and that I represent the community rather than special interests. I embrace change but remain true to our community's values. I have the vision to see the "big picture" without losing sight of the details.

I will bring a new style of leadership to the council, a change that will provide well-informed, meaningful deliberations and collaboration. I will work to forge compromise when needed to get things done.

I will push for revision of the city's comprehensive plan to include expanded economic development and more family-friendly amenities. A more flexible approach by the city is needed to attract businesses desired by the community.

I will do the "heavy lifting" needed to make living in Maple Valley a "lifelong" experience.

Please see my website at: jimflynnlovesmv.com .

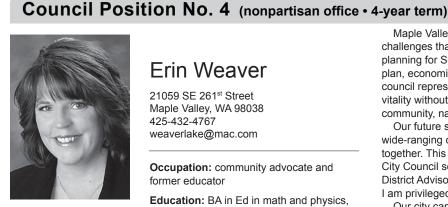
For too long now our city council has been broken... it's time for a positive change.

We all know the issues facing Maple Valley; the development of Summit Place, our property taxes having to be raised because of business leaking to other communities, a shortage of sports fields for our youth and just an overall lack of vision. Maple Valley has been turned into a "hotel" where we wake up each morning and drive elsewhere to work, shop, and eat.

As your councilman, I will focus on getting the projects done that have been promised to us for the last 12 years, reduce our dependence on new housing construction, and create a vision to attract the right businesses, while building a truly connected community in Maple Valley.

It is time for Maple Valley to move forward with New Leadership, not fall back into our old habits.

Get more information: www.bill2009.com



# Erin Weaver

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Occupation: community advocate and former educator

Education: BA in Ed in math and physics, minor in history from Western Washington University



# David Pilgrim

25607 220th Avenue SE Maple Valley, WA 98038 425-432-6348 www.maplevalleycitycouncil.com

Occupation: Hardware Store Manager

Education: Purdue University - BS in Computer Science

Maple Valley is an exceptional community. We are facing key challenges that require effective decision making. These include: careful planning for Summit Place (Donut Hole) and the 4-corner sub-area plan, economic development, and transportation improvements. As your council representative, and working together, we can ensure economic vitality without losing the essence of Maple Valley, found in its friendly community, natural setting and small town atmosphere.

Our future success will require collaboration and partnerships. My wide-ranging community involvement assists me in bringing people together. This includes; Chair of the Planning Commission; previous City Council service; participation in Tahoma School District; PTA's; Fire District Advisory committee; Communities That Care; soccer and scouts. I am privileged to be endorsed by the local firefighters and police unions.

Our city can no longer postpone serious decision making. I seek your vote and your support in making Maple Valley successful; now and in the future. www.erinweaver.com.

As your incumbent Councilor, I take pride in working with my fellow Councilors and City Staff to ensure that Maple Valley is financially sound, has a low crime rate, provides recreational opportunities, has a plan for upgrading our roads, and is positioned to support economic development. Our city has many challenges ahead, (Donut Hole and the economy) that will affect our future. I will continue to provide oversight, vision, policy setting guidance and effective decision making with you (our citizens) in mind. I feel strongly that we should recruit "living wage" jobs to our city and that further Economic Development is needed for the City's continued financial stability.

I have served on the City's Public Safety Oversight Committee and currently serve on the Audit Committee, been the City's representative on several Tahoma School District Committees and King County's Landmarks Commission. I work for you!

Please vote Pilgrim on November 3rd.

# 78 City of Maple Valley Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



### Victoria Jonas

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**Occupation:** Retired in 2007 from the Seattle Police Department.

Education: South Seattle Community College

Victoria Jonas is an effective and experienced Maple Valley City Councilmember, a dedicated community leader and devoted volunteer. She understands our community's needs and concerns and has a proven track record of fighting for our priorities. During these tough economic times, it is more important than ever to have proven leadership you can trust representing you on the City Council.

Victoria was honored as the 2004 "Citizen of the Year." She is President of the Maple Valley Food Bank and Co-founder of Maple Valley's new Farmers' Market. She has earned the endorsements of our Firefighters and Police Officers.

Victoria's priorities for the next four years include: public safety, fiscal accountability and stability, economic development and the "Summit Place/Donut Hole."

Endorsements: Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen, King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, State Representative Jay Rodne, and former Maple Valley City Councilmember Chuck Hardaway. Join your friends and neighbors in re-electing Victoria Jonas.



# Stanette Marie Rose

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Occupation: Investment Executive and Financial Advisor

Education: San Francisco State and UC Berkeley

The Citizens of Maple Valley are my top priority. I grew up here and care deeply about Maple Valley's future. I will be of service to you and your family by always listening to you. I will put your needs first so that your families and businesses will thrive. I promise to work diligently to provide a city that Maple Valley Citizens will be proud of for many generations to come. Maple Valley, it is truly time for a change! The opportunity to elect someone who understands how to build with balance and consensus, while not squandering your valuable dollars and natural resources, is available to you by voting for me, Stanette Marie Rose. Hometown Maple Valley is a wonderful place to live, work and play. As your new Council Woman, I promise to always listen to you. Thank you for the opportunity to serve our home town.

# Enumclaw School District No. 216 Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Cathy Dahlquist

1348 Florence Street Enumclaw, WA 98022 360-825-0484 cathydahlquist@comcast.net I have had the privilege of serving you as School Board President for the last two years, helping to guide the direction of the district with clear goals. I was instrumental in hiring a new superintendent that has brought a renewed energy and action for improved student learning. As a team, we have become united in our effort in making the Enumclaw School District the best in our state. We have opened the lines of communication in all areas of our district and my vision is, as a community, we can come together around children. I am persistent in the pursuit of high quality education for all students. It has been an honor to serve the Enumclaw School District communities for the past four years. I thank you for the trust in which you have placed in me and I ask you for your vote and continued support.

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

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# Chris Van Hoof

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No statement submitted.

# 80 Auburn School District No. 408 Director District No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



### Janice Nelson

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Occupation: Senior Employment Consultant/Program Specialist, Trillium Employment Services, Auburn

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Speech Communications, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida Janice is currently in her third term as President of the Auburn School Board. She was appointed in May, 1997, elected in November, 1997, and re-elected in 2001 and 2005. Since 1995, she has been working at Trillium, promoting inclusive community and employment opportunities for people with disabilities. Janice has lived in Auburn since 1992 with her daughter, Rebecca, a 2009 graduate of Auburn High School. She has been an active member of Soroptimist International of Auburn since 1998, and has co-chaired the Uniquely Auburn Celebration since its inception in 1995. She is a former member of the Auburn Downtown Association Board and the White River Museum Board. As an Auburn School Board Director, she is passionate in her commitment to the youth of Auburn. She looks forward to continuing her service to the Auburn School District and community.

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



## Lisa Connors

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**Occupation:** Administrative Assistant for a private company, 20 years business experience

Education: I am currently attending the University of Washington receiving my Bachelor's Degree in Political Values. As the only board member with children in the district, <u>I am your</u> <u>voice</u>. My priority is to provide an outstanding education for all students. Our students have unique backgrounds and deserve an education that understands their diverse needs. In these fiscally challenging times, my experience has helped me weigh financial decisions with student driven needs. It is crucial to keep district resources in the classroom. By providing highly qualified teachers and a broad range of opportunities, we give our students the ability to achieve their goals.

I currently serve on the Legislative, Student Achievement, and Board Policy sub-committees and am actively involved in PTA. I also serve on the Auburn Youth Resources board. My education and community service as well as my business experience makes me a highly qualified candidate for this position. I am passionate about continuing the work I began this year. We must do better!



# Clarissa Ruston

PO Box 54 Auburn, WA 98071 253-880-4926 www.vote4ruston.com

Occupation: Recreation Coordinator

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Western Washington University; Graduate, Leadership Institute of South Puget Sound I have had the opportunity to create positive and meaningful experiences for our community as a recreation coordinator for the City of Auburn for over 17 years and service on the Auburn School Board will allow me to ensure that our children have the best educational experience in our schools and that teachers are afforded the best tools to make that happen.

I have been actively involved in the district for many years and currently serve as co-chair of the Auburn Citizen's for Schools; on the board of Communities in Schools of Auburn and the White River Valley Museum. I served on the district's 2004-05 Citizen's Ad Hoc Committee and the 2008 Facilities Master Plan Steering Committee.

I am a graduate of the Leadership Institute of South Puget Sound and a Washington State PTA outstanding service award recipient. My husband and I have two children in the Auburn School District.

# Tahoma School District No. 409 Director District No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Tami L. Henkel

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Occupation: Office Manager

**Education:** Associate Degree, Bellevue College

I am honored to have served the Tahoma School District as a Director for six years. With a professional background in accounting and finance, I am dedicated to representing our community by making decisions that are educationally sound *and* fiscally responsible. As a Tahoma parent in the classroom for 14 years, I understand the increasing demands on students, families and educators. I am committed to keeping kids safe in a quality environment while helping them achieve their academic goals and preparing them for a successful future. Together, we can meet the educational needs of every student with a curriculum that stresses basics yet challenges them with high-level problem solving. Preparing our students for lifelong learning requires employing and retaining quality educators. Collaboration—of teachers, parents, administration, support staff, community groups and the school board—creates the synergy that ensures continuous improvement of the district. I appreciate your vote and support.

As a parent of 2 children, an experienced math educator, and the Lake Wilderness Art Docent program co-chairperson, I bring a unique and necessary perspective to the Tahoma School Board. I have spent my entire adult life committed to the education and development of children, including 7+ years teaching secondary and college level math. Recently, my community volunteer efforts were recognized with the PTSA Golden Acorn award.

I would consider it a privilege to represent and serve you as a school board member. I will ensure the district's focus remains on meeting the educational needs of the entire spectrum of our district's students. I will maintain the high standards that our children need to compete today and prepare for tomorrow. I am committed to building a strong representative school board, drawn not just from business, but also including an educator's perspective to balance what is both fiscally and educationally valuable.



# Melissa Greenstein

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Occupation: Parent, Math Teacher, Art Docent, Soccer Coach, Girl Scout Leader

Education: Bachelor of Science & Master of Science in Secondary Math Education



# Timothy J. Adam

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

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**Occupation:** Director, Training Development - The Boeing Company

Education: Executive Masters Degree - Business Administration, University of Denver; Bachelor of Science - Aviation Technology, Purdue University I intend to take the corporate executive, leadership and financial management skills I have acquired during my professional career and apply them for the benefit of *all* students in the Tahoma School District. I support providing a positive educational experience for students of all abilities and backgrounds, regardless of their financial means, special needs and/or gifts. Students, as our future leaders should be given access to the latest technology and be assured that their teachers and administrators have the right tools and support to provide the quality education that each student deserves.

As Director – Training Development for the Boeing Company, my responsibilities include directing the development and deployment of all curriculum and courseware used in flight training programs. As an airline Captain, I also held an executive position with United Airlines, managing multi-million dollar operations, complex budgets and building efficient teams.

# 82 Issaquah School District No. 411 Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# Wright A. Noel

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**Occupation:** Attorney; Founding Partner at Carson & Noel, PLLC, of Issaquah

Education: BA Managerial Economics BYU; JD UW School Of Law I believe in public education's power to create opportunities. It allowed me to go from the dairy farm to graduating from UW Law School with high honors. I have five children in the Issaquah School District, coach wrestling, and lead a regional youth organization. I see firsthand how the District impacts our youth.

I believe in our community's ability to improve our schools. Our community is comprised of talented people and businesses. As a business owner active in numerous local organizations, I am committed to enhancing the relationship between the community and the District.

I believe in the power of measurable goals. The District has high ideals but needs to translate those ideals into specific measurable goals. I will see that the District establishes a process for evaluating its successes. With your help, I am committed to improving the District to make it the envy around the state.



# Marnie Maraldo

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Occupation: Former Project Manager, Cisco Systems, Inc. Current Advocacy Volunteer

**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Applied Mathematics

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



# Chad Magendanz

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Occupation: Software Design Consultant, Jetstream Software (former Microsoft Lead Program Manager)

**Education:** BS in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University, U.S. Navy Nuclear Power School, Microsoft Certified Professional Our district needs to focus resources to meeting the needs of students across the education spectrum, closing the achievement gap, and providing innovative options for our students who show a special aptitude. We should have clear educational tracks allowing for a variety of career paths, giving our students a sense of value with their vocational choice.

As a school board member I will lobby the state to fully fund its new definition of basic education, so students will benefit from full-day kindergarten, stronger graduation requirements, and an improved data system to track student progress.

I am Team Leader for Stand for Children and current President of the Newcastle Elementary PTSA. I am endorsed by Rep. Glenn Anderson, Rep. Marcie Maxwell, Education Advocate Kelly Munn, Newcastle City Councilor Jean Garber, Newcastle City Councilor Lisa Jensen, Issaquah City Councilors Fred Butler and John Traeger and Renton School Board Member Pam Teal.

Despite assessments that show national test scores consistently declining among industrialized nations, the Issaquah School District has been adopting higher graduation requirements, achieving some of the best standardized test scores in our state, and providing more 21<sup>st</sup> century skills that prepare students for success in college and careers... all while receiving \$11.6M/yr less in per-student funding than the state average. Imagine what we could do with our fair share.

As the school board's Legislative Representative, I will continue to fight to address longstanding inequities in state funding and local levy authorization. I'll champion education reforms that enable us to attract and retain the highest quality teachers and principals, including data tracking systems that provide the accountability needed to ensure our limited resources are placed where they do the most good for kids.

**Experience**: Washington Online Learning Advisory Committee, WSSDA Technology Advisory Group, PTA Outstanding Advocate, Stand for Children Team Leader

# Kent School District No. 415 Director District No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)



# **Bill Boyce**

14310 SE 256<sup>th</sup> Place Kent, WA 98042 206-915-0930 wboyce5@comcast.net 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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Occupation: Director, Geopolitical Analysis - Energy & Environment, Boeing Commercial Airplanes

**Education:** B.A., Political Science, Wheaton College, Illinois

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.

#### Fire Protection District No. 28 84 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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# Chris Ingham

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I have over 35 years of fire service experience as both a volunteer and career firefighter. My primary duties in the Fire Marshal's Office at South King Fire and Rescue include working with two city governments and several utility districts in the development and plan review process.

We are very fortunate to have well trained and dedicated volunteer and career firefighters serving the Enumclaw area. Working with the City of Enumclaw and the department staff we have achieved the goal of 24/7 staffing of the fire department. As your Commissioner, I am dedicated to continue providing quality fire and life safety services to the community. Thank you for your support!

# **Fire Protection District No. 37** Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)



# Pat Dillon

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Allan Barrie

Covington, WA 98042

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international transportation

B.A. Business Administration

Occupation: Manager, A-1 Fire Equipment, Fire Sprinkler Engineer, Electrical Administrator

Education: Queen Anne H.S., Seattle, North Seattle Community College, National Fire Protection Association

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Occupation: Operations manager,

Education: University of Puget Sound,

Vote for Pat Dillon Fire Commissioner Position 1 My Opponent:

Opposes the public to participate at public meetings

When given a choice between a white male, a person of color and a woman (All equally qualified) for a commissioner vacancy, on President Obama's Inauguration Day, voted against diversity.

Under his direction there are no people of color in the fire department command positions.

Pat Dillon will promote diversity in command positions and recruitment of fire department personnel. Pat Dillon has worked with the Civil Rights Movement, Farm

Workers, the Urban League for diversity awareness.

With over 120 different languages spoken and over 40% are people of color in our district. I will be honored to serve as the first Native American fire commissioner for Fire District 37.

I have been in fire protection for 23 years. I will bring Change to Fire District 37. Vote for Pat Dillon

Involved: Community Emergency Response Team trained. Volunteering nearly 1200 hours in Kent Fire Department Emergency Management supporting citizen outreach, volunteer organization, and emergency communication. I have gained an understanding of what it takes to deliver emergency services to our community

Experienced: Appointed to fill a Board vacancy, I currently serve as one of vour Fire Commissioners. A Fire Commissioner is your link to the Department. working with leadership to spend your taxes wisely.

Committed: To represent you better, I have attended educational seminars for Fire Commissioners. Representing you, I have attended 100% of Board meetinas.

Future: Growth will continue in our District. With growth comes the need to develop and implement creative opportunities, ensuring the outstanding services we receive from our Fire Department continue into the future.

Please help maintain committed consistency on your Board by retaining Allan Barrie as your Fire Commissioner.

Endorsement: Kent Firefighters, IAFF Local 1747

### Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



# Michael S. Denbo

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Occupation: Retired-Manager, Electrical Wholesale Distributor

Education: High School Diploma, 1 1/2 years college

I am a 24 year resident of Covington and Fire Protection District No. 37. As our community has grown, so has the need for fire and life safety services within our community. Financing these services is an evergrowing issue. I believe that there are options and opportunities to be creative that will allow Fire Protection District No. 37 to fund fire and life safety services. This will enable the fire department to keep up with the population growth of our district for years to come without placing a financial burden on our citizens. If re-elected it will be my goal to continue the quest to insure that these services continue to meet the standards of the department and the growth and expectations of our community.

# Fire Protection District No. 43 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



# Jeffrey P.J. Granlund

PO Box 1221 Maple Valley, WA 98038 425-432-2980 commish811@yahoo.com It has been my privilege to serve the citizens of this Fire District as one of three Fire Commissioners for the past twelve years.

Your Fire Department provides a high level of Fire & Emergency Medical services to our community. The ability of your Fire Department to provide this level of service has resulted from the efforts of developing and carrying out a comprehensive plan over the next several years for delivering this service to you.

Because you have consistently supported our work, this community receives one of the highest levels on Emergency services available in the area.

With your continued support and vote of confidence, I will continue to work to improve our Fire District's ability to deliver emergency services to our community and promote "The Saving of Lives and the Protection of Property" for the citizens of Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety.

My opponent has resigned his position as incumbent Fire Commissioner for KCFD #43.

#### Fire Experience:

Since 1979 I have been a Civilian Fire Inspector with Renton Fire Department working as an Inspector, Fire Investigator, and Public Educator. I am the owner of Western Fire Code Educators and have also instructed for the International Code Council and Washington State Fire Officer Development Academy.

#### Budgetary Experience:

For 10 years, I served as Chair for Region 4 Life Safety Council (a Division of the Washington State Patrol). I was responsible for preparing and managing the Council's operational budget and fiscal reporting to the State of Washington.

#### Commitment:

During this time of economic struggle and change for KCFD #43, I am qualified to take a leadership role on the Board of Fire Commissioners. Our goal should be to continue to provide the best possible fire service utilizing responsible budgeting practices.



# Camille Walls

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Occupation: Lead Civilian Fire Inspector with Renton Fire Department since 1979

**Education:** AA Degree in Fire Science from Bellevue Community College

# 86 Fire Protection District No. 44 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



# Dan Bjurstrom

PO Box 42 Enumclaw, WA 98022 253-951-0652

#### Occupation: Firefighter

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from UW, Legal Degree from UW School of Law As your Fire Commissioner, I am committed to providing exceptional emergency services to our community in a financially responsible manner.

I do this with the knowledge that my family and yours may depend on our fire department to protect our homes and loved ones.

During my service as your Fire Commissioner, it has been my responsibility to make sure that our Fire Department is ready to serve. This means that our equipment is properly maintained, our personnel are well trained, and our tax dollars are spent in a way we can be proud of.

To achieve these goals, I draw on my experience as a career firefighter, business owner, attorney, and member of our community for 25 years. This background allows me to provide a positive knowledgeable voice on our Board of Fire Commissioners. With your support, I will continue to provide the leadership and accountability our community deserves.



# Joanne Seng

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Occupation: Retired Educator

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Washington State University; Graduate Studies, Central Washington Unitversity I have lived within Fire District #44 for over 30 years. I taught in Public Schools (Elementary and Community College) and since retiring have made a commitment to serve the community I call home. I currently serve as a Board of Director for: Puget Sound ESD #121; Communities in Schools of Auburn; State Board of C.I.S.; ACAP Early Childhood Center; and Fire Commissioner for Mountain View Fire and Rescue #44. I am also a member of Kiwanis of the Valley and Messiah Lutheran Church.

Our Fire District #44 has received the 2009 Best of Auburn Award for Safety Equipment and Supplies from the U.S. Commerce Association. I pledge to ensure we continue to be the Best through effective and responsible fiscal decisions and the finest possible fire protection service for all of our citizens. It will be a privilege to continue to represent this District as your Fire Commissioner.

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

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# Water District No. 90 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)



### Sam Amira

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Occupation: Boeing Property Accountant Specialist; Master Sergeant, US Army Reserves, Retired.

Education: Highline Community College, Central Washington State College, US Army Reserves Supply/Logistics Management Sam Amira, a district resident for 23 years, was appointed to fill a vacant Water District 90 Board position in July 2008 and is now running for election to a term of his own.

His 35 years at Boeing in asset management, cost accounting, capital budgeting, and project management are invaluable experience for overseeing the operation of the Water District. This is further supplemented by his 37 years of service in the U.S. Army Reserves, where he specialized in logistics/supply management. As a commissioner, Sam is also very active in the meetings of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts where he gains direct water district knowledge.

Sam strives for the highest possible water quality while maintaining lowest possible rates for our customers. In his few short months on the Board, he has become a very valuable member. Please vote for Sam Amira for Water Commissioner, Position #3.

# Water District No. 111 Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



# Gary G. Cline

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#### Occupation: Retired

**Education:** Masters Degree in Educational Administration

I am a candidate for re-election as Commissioner of King County Water District #111, because I believe that it is important to be a contributing member of the community. I have resided in Kent for 44 years while raising three beautiful children with my wife, Irene. I am a retired junior high school principal from the Kent School District. I am a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Meridian and served as president and board member for eight two year terms. I currently serve on the Kent Food Bank Board of Directors and chair the annual Kent Food Bank Fund Raising Breakfast which has raised in excess of \$95,000 over the past six years. In addition, I am serving my second three year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts and served as President of that association in 2007.

# 88 Covington Water District Commissioner Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)

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



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# Lloyd Webster

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**Occupation:** 24 years, Xerox, 17 in management. Business owner, 8 years.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in Business Administration

As a former business owner, I understand that an organization must be operated in a fiscally responsible manner while achieving customer's needs. Districts should be operated with the same diligence and attention to detail that private owners devote to their own businesses.

I have been in customer service management for over 30 years. My "common sense" approach to running an organization, working fairly with people and solving problems will add to my strength as a board member.

The district is challenged with preparing now for future demands on the District's water supply by evaluating the benefits and costs of new supply options in order to be prepared when new demands arise. Forecasting needs, developing supply partnerships and managing controllable costs are essential for success, as measured by the reliable delivery of reasonably priced, safe water for all.

I look forward to serving as your Commissioner.

# Cedar River Water and Sewer District Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)



# **Charles Terwillegar**

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Occupation: Transportation Manager

Education: AA Green River Community College

As a current commissioner for Cedar River Water & Sewer District, I bring 29 plus years of experience in the water and sewer industry. Over the years, I've had to face the challenge of expanding services, while keeping rates as economical for customers in the District. I've worked with District management and staff, as well as engineering and legal consultants to make our district as cost efficient as possible. I've also worked with the public to meet any of their needs and concerns. Through the work of the Board and the District, I've helped maintain spotless State audits. During the last term, I had an active part in the planning and decision making for the construction of the new office and maintenance facilities, which bring CRWSD into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. With your continued support, I look forward to working for you as commissioner. Thank you for your vote.



# Melanie Jantzen-Kulp

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**Occupation:** Financial Accountant at The Boeing Company

**Education:** MBA in Accounting at University of Phoenix, BA in Accounting at Seattle University Maintaining quality service is very important to our community especially during these hard economic times. As an effective leader, I will work diligently to ensure that our District provides the highest quality drinking water, collection, and wastewater treatment at the lowest possible cost. I will help protect our natural resources and make sure the growth of our community does not affect the ability to provide clean water and sewer service.

With 20 years of accounting experience at The Boeing Company, I am qualified to serve as your Commissioner. Living in Renton since 2001, I am a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother and love the rural aspects of the area.

I want to be your voice in providing affordable clean water and sewer service and look forward to representing you at the board of director's meetings. Please vote Melanie Jantzen for Cedar River Water and Sewer District Commissioner Position No. 3.



# Karen L. Webster

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**Occupation:** Former owner/Vice President of Northwest Document Services, Inc.

**Education:** Associate of Arts Degree, Water/Wastewater Technology major As an incumbent Commissioner for Soos Creek Water and Sewer District, I have been committed to the success of the district for the past 24 years.

Our Board, along with management, is proactive in getting to know our legislators in Olympia, meeting with them annually to communicate our priorities and seek support on important legislation that affects our ratepayers. Thanks to the efforts of Districts like ours, proposed legislation imposing a 6 percent utility tax on our ratepayers was defeated this year.

Our District maintains some of the lowest water and sewer rates in our region through diligent budget controls and cost savings mechanisms. My continued commitment to you is to ensure responsible leadership, effective management, and skilled personnel in order to continue delivering reliable, high quality, safe and cost effective water and sewer services.

It is my privilege to serve you and I appreciate your vote.

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



# Connie J. Sullivan

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Occupation: Teacher 30 years, retired Education: BA in Education

Personal: Widowed, three grown sons, member St. Stephen Catholic Church, former Kent Education Representative, and PTA Representative

After being appointed to fill the Soos Creek Commissioner Position of my late husband, Phil Sullivan, I was elected to fill the remaining two years of his term. During those two years I served one year as President of the Board, and have attended conferences and classes to improve my knowledge of the present water and sewer issues that affect the ratepayers of our District.

I am looking forward to continuing my work with the Commissioners and with our knowledgeable and dedicated staff in order to provide the best and most cost efficient solutions to the new and changing requirements of the Soos Creek Water and Sewer District.



# Alice R. Marshall

18812 131<sup>st</sup> Avenue SE Renton, WA 98058 425-235-0187 marsh1227@comcast.net Alice has 29 yrs experience in the water and sewer field as a Soos Creek Water & Sewer District employee for more than 25 yrs and currently as Administration Supervisor for King Co Water Dist 111. She is committed to preserving a tradition of excellent customer service while balancing the needs of the District.

Alice's experience has prepared her to bring to the Board a well rounded knowledge of the District, its policies, history, and future needs. As a commissioner, she will be a valuable asset and will continue to support and initiate policies that make the District strong. Alice will bring a fresh perspective to the Board and is ready to tackle future challenges on behalf of Soos Creek.

Lifelong western Washington residents, Alice and husband Jim have lived in the Soos Creek area for 17 years. Alice looks forward to representing the community and serving as your Commissioner.



# 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 <u>Right</u> for everyone... Establishing 12 neighborhood clinics while expanding Emergency and Urgent Care reflect their commitment to <u>Accessible</u> 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.

#### 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?

$\bigcirc$	YES

#### 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.

#### **Explanatory Statement**

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 against

No statement submitted.

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

# 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?

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$\bigcirc$	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 against

No statement submitted.

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

# 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

#### 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.

#### **Explanatory Statement**

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 against

No statement submitted.

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

# 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?



 $\bigcirc$  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

## **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.

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

#### King County Charter Amendment No. 1 Ordinance 16484

#### 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 electivecounty officers subject to this charter holding office on April 30, 1969, shall terminate on the effective date of this charter. All appointed officersand employees holding office on the effective date of this charter shallcontinue in the performance of their duties until their successors are appointed or until their duties are transferred, altered or abolishedin accordance with the provisions of this charter. All boards and Commissions whose functions have not been transferred by this charterto another agency of county government established by this charter shallcontinue to function for one hundred twenty days after the effective dateof this charter, at the end of which time they are hereby abolished unlessre-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

#### 96 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:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> 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.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> 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"?

<u>SECTION 3</u>. 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.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> 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 relinguish 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 nonprofit 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.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> 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

# **City of Black Diamond Proposition No. 1** Public Safety Services Replacement Levy

The City Council of the City of Black Diamond adopted Ordinance No. 09-919, concerning a proposition to fund public safety services. This proposition repeals the existing excess levy and authorizes a lid lift of the regular property tax levy to \$2.15/\$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, for collection in 2010, and annual increases for each of the succeeding five years equal to the percentage change in CPI-W (June) for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area, and the 2015 levy dollar amount shall be used for computing the limitations for subsequent levies. If approved, this proposition would fund public safety services. Should this proposition be approved?

⊖ YES

◯ NO

#### Statement for

#### VOTE YES

Proposition No. 1 must pass in order to maintain the current level of public safety services to the citizens of Black Diamond. The levy is a six year replacement levy and is not intended to add any services or increase taxes. With the continuation of the levy rate, Black Diamond property owners would still pay up to 20% less than our neighboring communities. The replacement levy lid is intended to continue at the same tax dollar level with only inflationary increases from 2011 to 2015.

If the levy does not pass, Black Diamond could face decreasing Police, Fire, and Emergency services. This reduction could equate to a loss of up to 50% of current emergency staff beyond recent cuts that have already been made.

In the past, Black Diamond citizens have voted to support our police and fire departments. We currently have faster response times and a much lower crime rate than surrounding areas. We are asking that our voters continue to support these basic services for the welfare of all residents. Let's not return to King County rural type standards. Vote **YES** to keep Black Diamond families and homes safe!

## **Explanatory Statement**

The City of Black Diamond relies on property taxes to provide public safety services such as fire, police, and emergency services. The City's general property tax levy rate has decreased 25% from 2005 to 2009. The City Council has determined that the current level of service for public safety services, including fire, police, and emergency services, cannot be met at the current levy rate. The purpose of this levy is to support public safety services.

If approved by the voters, this proposition will repeal the existing excess general property tax levy approved by the voters in 2004, authorize the City's regular property tax levy to be lifted to \$2.15 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2010, and authorize the City to increase its regular property tax levy in each of the succeeding five years at a limit factor of 100% of the previous year's collections plus the percentage change in consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers (CPI-W) in the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area for June of the previous year (CPI-W for June 2010 will be used to determine 2011 levy). The total dollar amount of the 2015 levy will be used for computing the base for subsequent levies.

Currently 16% of your total property tax bill goes to the City of Black Diamond. This levy only applies to the City's portion of your property tax bill, not your entire property tax bill.

#### Statement against

No statement submitted.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Mary Jean Boston, Keith Watson

# Auburn School District No. 408 Proposition No. 1

#### **Capital Improvements Levy**

The Board of Directors of Auburn School District No. 408 adopted Resolution No. 1115 concerning a capital improvements levy. The proposition authorizes facility improvements that include site work, building modernizations, structural work, roofing, mechanical and electrical work, additions, acquisition of equipment, and other capital improvements; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

	Approximate	
Collection	Levy Rate/\$1,000	Levy
Years	Assessed Value	Amount
2010	\$1.20	\$12,000,000
2011	\$1.00	\$10,000,000
2012	\$1.14	\$11,700,000
2013	\$0.37	\$3,900,000
2014	\$0.40	\$4,400,000
2015	\$0.39	\$4,400,000

As provided in Resolution No. 1115. Should this proposition be approved?

○ YES ○ NO

#### Statement for

The 2004-05 Citizen's Ad Hoc Committee recommended the school district examine all of its facilities and develop a master plan to upgrade facilities. In the fall of 2008 a steering committee reviewed over 2,700 items and recommended a plan to upgrade district facilities. The resulting proposition will address the essential needs of our schools and other district facilities: provide improved ADA access; improvements to building exteriors and interiors, roofing and structural; provide energy conservation measures with improvements to heating and ventilation systems and lighting systems and controls; as well as improvements to playgrounds, fields and athletic facilities. These critical improvements will upgrade the deficiencies in our schools and provide a safe and healthy learning environment and facilities for our children and the community. These improvements are vital for all students. Your support of this proposition will begin implementing the recommendations to ensure guality facilities now and in the future.

#### **Explanatory Statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the levy of \$46,400,000 in property taxes within Auburn School District No. 408 (the "District") for collection in the school years 2009-2010 through 2015-2016. In accordance with Resolution No. 1115, these taxes would be deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund to pay part of the cost of modernizing educational facilities at Alpac, Chinook, Dick Scobee, Evergreen Heights, Gildo Rey, Hazelwood, Ilalko, Lea Hill, Lake View, Pioneer, Terminal Park and Washington Elementary Schools; Cascade, Mt. Baker, Olympic and Rainier Middle Schools; Auburn, Auburn Riverside and West Auburn High Schools; Auburn Memorial Stadium, Auburn Pool, Administrative Annex, Administrative Building, Support Services and Transportation Centers. Improvements include, but not limited to, interior and exterior improvements, roofing, site, structural, mechanical and electrical work, modernization, construction of additions and acquisition of equipment. If authorized by the voters, property taxes would be collected at a rate estimated to be \$1.20 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2010, \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2011, \$1.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2012, \$0.37 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2013, \$0.40 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2014 and \$0.39 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2015.

#### Statement against

No statement submitted.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Ryan Anderson, Clarissa Ruston

# King County Fire Protection District No. 10

#### **Proposition No. 1**

# Authorizing the Continued Imposition of Benefit Charge

Shall King County Fire Protection District No. 10 be authorized to continue voter-authorized benefit charges each year for six years, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.16.160?

$\bigcirc$	YES

#### Statement for

In 2003 Fire District 10 voters approved a measure to replace a portion of the property tax with the Fire Benefit Charge. The Fire Benefit Charge is calculated mostly on the size of a structure and its use rather than its value. This system is less susceptible to market fluctuations. This means that critical emergency services remain funded when property values fall, and taxes aren't over collected when property values rise. The Fire Benefits Charge was designed to allow the Fire Commissioners to charge only what is needed to pay for services, rather than an inflexible flatrate. The Fire Commissioners have a strong track record of keeping charges below the 2003 rate of \$1.50 per thousand of assessed value. The effective rate has been as low as \$1.13, but never more than \$1.50. In 2009 the effective rate is \$1.32. Help your Fire Commissioners continue to provide critical emergency services efficiently, collecting only what is needed each year, by voting YES to RE-AUTHORIZE this system for another six years.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Fire District 10 is placing Proposition 1 on this November's General Election Ballot to reauthorize the use of a Fire Benefit Charge to provide funding for emergency medical and fire services. The Benefit Charge lowers the District property tax rate from \$1.50 to a maximum of \$1.00 per thousand of assessed value. In your Fire Commissioners' opinion, a lower property tax rate in conjunction with the Benefit Charge, based upon building size and use, is a more equitable and stable method of funding emergency services.

The District's first use of the Benefit Charge was in 2004 when Citizens of the District approved its implementation. The Benefit Charge must be reauthorized every six years.

The Benefit Charge amount would be established by November 30 of the year immediately preceding the year in which the Benefit Charge would be collected. Prior to establishing the Benefit Charge, the District Board of Commissioners would hold a public hearing. The aggregate amount of the Benefit Charges would not be more than 60% of the District's operating budget for the year in which the Benefit Charge would be collected.

After establishing the Benefit Charge, the District would notify property owners of the amount to be charged. The property owners would have an opportunity to appeal the Benefit Charge to the Board to reduce the amount of the Benefit Charge, and the Board would have the authority to impose a Benefit Charge that, in their opinion, is true, fair and just.

#### Statement against

No statement submitted.

## Panther Lake Annexation Area Proposition No. 1 Proposed Annexation to the City of Kent

The Kent City Council passed Resolution No. 1809 concerning annexation of the Panther Lake Annexation Area which would authorize annexation of that area of unincorporated King County known as the Panther Lake Annexation Area as legally described in Resolution No. 1809. Shall the area of unincorporated King County known as the Panther Lake Annexation Area, as legally described in City of Kent Resolution No. 1809, be annexed to the City of Kent?

◯ FOR ANNEXATION

AGAINST ANNEXATION

#### Statement for

"Citizens for Annexation to Kent" is a broad-based citizen group promoting a "Yes" vote. The Kent City Council voted unanimously to invite residents to join the city. This annexation is supported by the King County Council.

• As Kent residents' public <u>safety</u> will be increased by establishing a 4<sup>th</sup> city patrol district with response time significantly shorter for all police services. Kent will hire over 20 new police positions.

• Panther Lake residents will have greater <u>community</u> access in Kent. Locally elected officials and staff can respond more quickly to needs of neighbors - offices are close by - parks and recreation will be administered locally.

• Kent will provide more direct <u>service</u> to the Panther Lake area. King County is unable to provide urban services. They recently announced mothballing the three county parks in the area. Further cutbacks in all county services will occur because of growing county fiscal deficits.

It is estimated that property taxes will essentially be the same or perhaps slightly lower. We believe that annexation to the City of Kent is in the best interests of citizens, businesses, homeowner associations, and all community groups. www.annex2kent.com

#### **Rebuttal of statement against**

The opposition statements about water are false, losing our fire station is false, having to pay for past bonds is false. The statement about hiring no additional police persons is false. The statement about fireworks is false. Kent is a growing city, becoming more diverse and interesting everyday. For less money annually, we'll receive improved safety and service, plus the ability to vote for local leaders and enjoy a sense of community we all deserve.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Marvin Eckfeldt, Marci Wainhouse

#### **Explanatory Statement**

If this Proposition is approved by the voters, the area known as the "Panther Lake Annexation Area" would become part of the City of Kent on July 1, 2010. Services currently provided by Kent School District #415, Soos Creek Water and Sewer District, and Fire District #37 will continue to be provided by those districts, and these services will not change because of annexation. The City will provide other municipal services, including police protection, road and storm drainage construction and maintenance, traffic management, and parks and recreation. Upon annexation, all property within the annexation area will be subject to City comprehensive planning and zoning as determined through an open public process prior to the annexation's effective date. Property within the annexation area will not be required to assume the City's existing voted indebtedness, and upon annexation, would be assessed and taxed on the same basis and at the same rate as property within Kent. This Proposition will be authorized if a simple majority of all votes are cast in favor of the proposition.

The Panther Lake Annexation Area is approximately 3200 acres, bounded by the City of Renton on the north (generally along SE 192<sup>nd</sup> St. to the Benson Road, then continuing west along SE 200<sup>th</sup> St. to 100<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE), Big Soos Creek on the east, and contiguous with Kent's existing city limits on the annexation area's south and west boundaries.

#### Statement against

Panther Lake taxpayers will pay for two water departments Soos Creek and Kent Water, it's funded from the general funds of Kent.

We'll have to pay all the past bonds issued by Kent. We'll lose our fire station, we paid for.

Kent requires all existing buildings, schools, churches, homes, barns and garages over 7,000 feet, fire alarm & fire sprinkler installed.

Kent has budgeted for a Fire Benefit Charge (fee) will cost thousands billed every year for every building, school, church, apartments and home.

The Kent identified 400 existing apartment buildings that need to upgraded with monitored fire alarm systems. Costs are thousands per building.

I'm a person of color, it's shocking Kent disbanded its Diversity Committee.

# Our community diversity <u>must</u> be reflected in our government officials.

Kent has only one department head that is a person of color. Kent has **no** persons of color in any elected position

Kent Fire and Police Departments have **no** persons of color in command positions

**No** additional fire fighters or police will be added to protect us. **No** neighborhood 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks allowed.

We'll have no representation in Kent

NO TO ANNEXATION NO TO KENT NO WAY! VOTE NO TO ANNEXATION notokentnoway@clearwire.net

#### Rebuttal of statement for

Panther Lake taxpayers will pay for the 75 million dollar ShoWare Center. It's used less than 10% of the time, it's heat and lights on 100% of the time. Kent will not allow homeless families into the ShoWare Center on freezing nights.

The ShoWare Center hosts a Lingerie Football League team. Women's rights groups say it's degrading to women, Kent says it's entertainment.

NO TO ANNEXATION NO TO KENT NO WAY! VOTE NO TO ANNEXATION

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Patrick J. Dillon

# **Proposed Fairwood Incorporation** Proposition No. 1

The King County Council adopted Ordinance No. 16616 concerning this proposal to incorporate the area known as Fairwood. If the voters approve this proposal, the area of unincorporated King County as legally described in Ordinance No. 16616, shall become incorporated as a non-charter code city with a council-manager form of government.

Should this proposed incorporation be approved?

◯ FOR INCORPORATION

◯ AGAINST INCORPORATION

#### Statement for

We encourage you to join your many neighbors who strongly support the incorporation of the new City of Fairwood by voting YES on Proposition 1.

The Fairwood community of 26,000 citizens is now faced with two most likely options for its future: incorporate as a new city or be annexed into the City of Renton. A pending annexation could absorb the Fairwood commercial area into Renton, should this vote fail. What option is best for our community? We advocate for the City of Fairwood. An incorporation study conducted by independent professional consultants concluded that a City of Fairwood is financially feasible with existing tax levels and would support a higher level of police services, among other improvements. The study found an annual surplus of \$3.4 million in 2010, which could support additional services. These findings were confirmed by the overwhelming vote of support by the Washington State Boundary Review Board for King County (BRB). The BRB had these things to say about the Fairwood incorporation:

• "The proposed City of Fairwood would unite a greater community which shares mutual social interests and economic interests."

• "Provisions for local planning and controls within the City of Fairwood could be expected to result in positive effects to the surrounding built community and the natural environment."

• "If the new City is formed, its citizens would be provided with a full array of essential public services, facilities and infrastructure either directly by the city or by service contract."

A City of Fairwood would be a contract city similar to neighboring Maple Valley and Covington, which are residential cities with modest commercial bases. All things considered, there are many reasons to support the incorporation of Fairwood:

• Local Control: Decisions on our community would be made by local Fairwood citizens. Elected officials of the City of Fairwood would determine service levels based on citizens' priorities.

#### **Explanatory Statement**

If approved by a simple majority, this measure would create the City of Fairwood, which would be incorporated as a non-charter code city operating under Title 35A of the Revised Code of Washington with a council-manager form of government. The new city would have an initial population of approximately 26,000 and boundaries as described in King County Ordinance No. 16616. If the incorporation is approved, separate elections will be held to nominate and elect persons to fill the various city elective offices prescribed by law.

• **Taxes**: Our tax dollars would stay in our community to benefit our neighborhoods. If Fairwood is annexed into Renton, our tax surplus will go towards paying their \$7 million deficit.

• Library: The Fairwood Library would continue to be part of the King County Library District.

• **Public Safety**: There would be sufficient revenue to *at least double* the police services currently provided by contracting with the King County Sheriff.

• Fire & Aid: Our fire protection and life services would continue to be managed by local fire districts (FD40 & FD37) with the aid car staying at the Fairwood Station (If Fairwood is annexed into Renton, their officials have stated this aid car would be moved to the Benson Station, which adds crucial minutes to emergency response times).

• Roads & Storm Drainage: Road and stormwater maintenance would also be contracted with King County, at service levels determined by the City Council.

We invite you to learn the *facts* of incorporation by visiting our website at www.VoteFairwood.org . We strongly encourage you to support the local control of our community and vote YES on Proposition 1.

#### **Rebuttal of statement against**

Feasibility was studied by impartial financial experts in a public process over many months and the results were endorsed by the independent Boundary Review Board at a public hearing. Opponents use unsupportable claims and fear tactics to make misleading arguments. Their numbers are self-serving distortions. The experts constantly dismissed such wild claims and stated that Fairwood would be a viable, financially sound city, whether the scenario for growth was normal, high, low or no growth.

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Joe Giberson, Jill Johnson, Paula Henderson

(King County Ordinance 16616 describing the boundaries of the City of Fairwood can be found on the web at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.)

#### Statement against

Creation of a new city would be **financially disastrous**. Without a strong mix of residential and commercial development, Fairwood will be unable to pay for services that neighboring cities provide their residents. We voted **NO** in 2006 because we knew incorporation was not economically viable. It's the **wrong choice** today.

It's the **wrong time** to create a new city from scratch, with the economy struggling both regionally and nationally. It's a mistake we would always regret.

The incorporation study provides the **wrong reasons** to incorporate.

#### Overestimated Revenue

Proponents' assumptions are based on **2007** numbers – a far different economic climate – and rely largely on the real estate market. To meet its budget 174-190 new homes must be <u>built and sold</u> per year (a Woodside development every 2 ½ years!) and 897-1015 existing homes must be <u>resold</u>. Reality looks very different. Only **1/10<sup>th</sup>** the number of new construction and sales and **1/3<sup>rd</sup>** the number of resales occurred over the past 5 years. We know our area is nearly fully developed now! Large lots could be divided and big developments built in every rural area, permanently altering our neighborhoods.

Proponents' calculations simply don't add up. They are inaccurate and filled with questionable assumptions. Revenues will not be as high as anticipated, meaning <u>taxes</u> will be **increased** or **services cut** to make up the shortfall.

#### <u>Underestimated Costs</u>

Proponents assume costs won't increase with inflation – an assumption contrary to the experience of every other local government. Start up costs (estimated at \$750,000 in 2006) must be borrowed. Currently no "start up" funds from cash strapped Washington State or King County governments are available. Predictions show expenses per resident at **60% to 74% below** what similar sized nearby cities currently spend. **Actual** General Fund operating expenses are often THREE TIMES what was projected in other incorporation studies. NO funding is proposed for **Parks and Recreation**. A city that does not invest in quality of life activities is completely unrealistic. King County is closing parks. NO funding is allocated for **Human Services**, an investment in the safety and welfare of any community. Maple Valley spent \$200,799 for human services and \$1,325,812 for parks and recreation in 2008. **Fairwood projection: \$0**.

#### Local Control Myth

The Washington State Growth Management Act limits the ability of cities to truly exercise local control, requiring cities to accommodate growth in multi-family housing, lowincome housing, senior housing, economic development, and job creation. Land use decisions are also subject to outside regulations.

Proponents plan to contract with **other governments** for fire and police protection, street maintenance, utilities, and other services. By contracting for services, Fairwood doesn't have local control over costs, hiring or firing. We will pay what somebody else charges to get "improved" services from the same provider - King County. That's NOT local control!

**Vote NO**. It was a BAD idea in 2006; it's a WORSE idea now. Let's not **increase taxes**, **decrease services**, and alter Fairwood's character forever. Vote **AGAINST** incorporation. www.govoteno.org

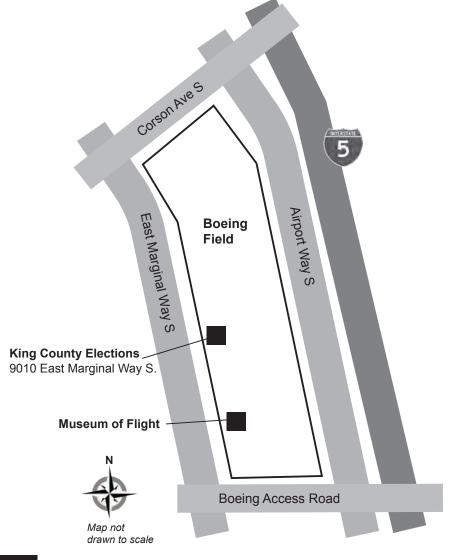
#### Rebuttal of statement for

A "NO" vote does NOT annex us into Renton. That requires a different separate vote. This vote is solely to decide to start a new city from scratch – a hugely expensive endeavor. The potential means higher taxes with lower services because expected revenue is from massive questionable growth. Expenses are grossly underestimated with no consideration of emergencies. Don't make a mistake we're stuck with forever. Vote AGAINST incorporation.

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Marcia Holland, Doug Gibbs, Linda Petersen

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)



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# King County now votes by mail

#### Your ballot will come soon in the mail.

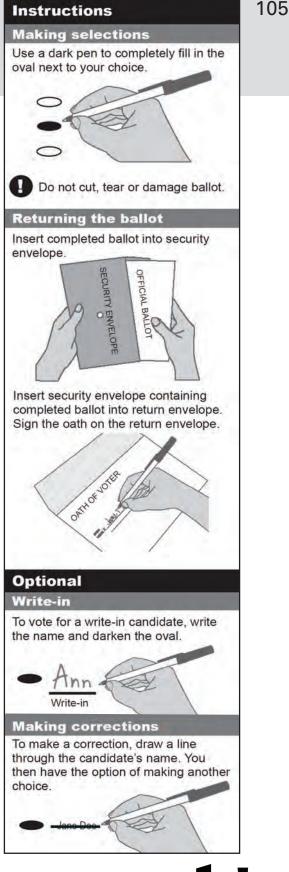
All registered voters will be mailed a ballot for this and all future elections. Voters will have plenty of time to study the candidates and issues and return their ballot by mail or at a secured, 24-hour ballot drop box.

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 .





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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

3815 S Othello St, 98118

Southeast

Central 2301 S Jackson, 98144

Delridge 5405 Delridge Wy SW, 98106 Universitv 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.

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# 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 revote.

#### 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?

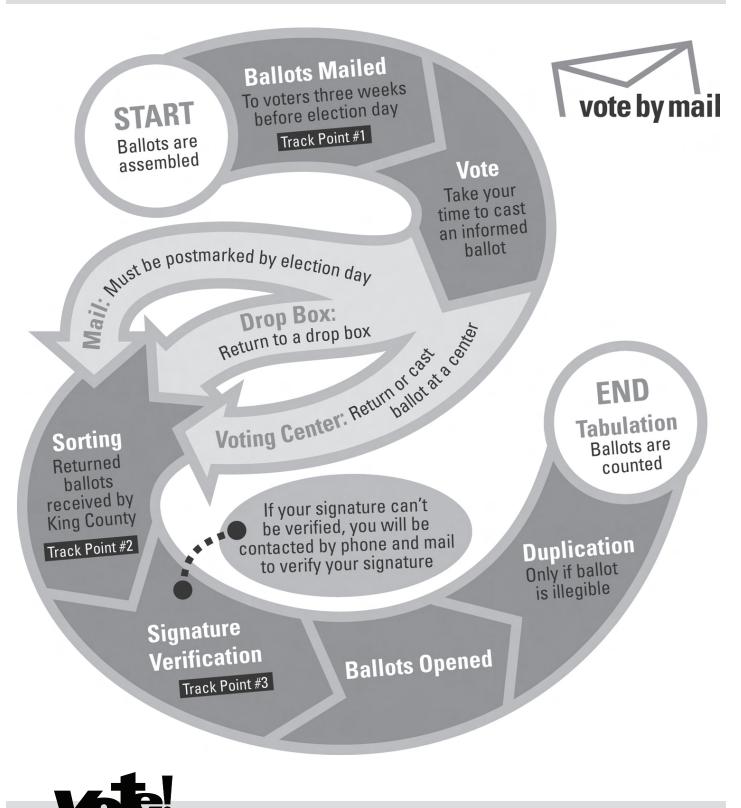
Yes, your ballot will still be counted.

#### 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.



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# Chinese language assistance is available

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.



# <sup>110</sup> 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.

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#### 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.

