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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.

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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
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.
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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 high standards are not negotiable.

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

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

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

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.
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.

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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.
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 82nd Airborne. I have the toughness and management skills to head a department undergoing budget cuts.

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

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

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

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

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King County
Council District No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: King County Councilmember; former attorney at Preston Gates & Ellis.
Education: Graduate of UW (B.A., 1989) and New York University (J.D., 1995).

Bob Ferguson is committed to protecting public safety, health, and human services and has a proven record of improving government and spending tax dollars wisely. His common sense approach to budgeting – for example, purchasing used furniture to outfit a new King County office building – saves money to preserve core services. His recent budget transparency legislation makes the budget a better tool for citizens and policy-makers to track where dollars are spent and eliminate waste.

A reformer: Bob led efforts to improve access to public records, establish civilian oversight of the sheriff’s office, and revamp county elections.

An attorney and former human services agency director: Bob understands the importance of justice for all and the tie between crime reduction and social services. He has been a leader in: protecting drug and mental health court; securing funding for mental health; and fighting for millions of dollars to support veterans and human services.

An avid outdoorsman: Bob championed the Open Space Preservation Act to protect open space for future generations.

A bus commuter: Bob is committed to improving transit.

A fourth generation Washingtonian: Bob and his wife Colleen live in Maple Leaf with their twin toddlers.

King County
Council District No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: Councilmember, District 3 and Chair of Law & Justice
Education: University of Washington degree in Business Education and Teacher Certification

Councilmember Kathy Lambert works hard to ensure citizen concerns are heard and their needs are met.

As Chair of the Law and Justice Committee, Kathy has a proven record of defending public safety. Her oversight brought efficiencies to our criminal justice system while also focusing on making county human service programs more accountable. With her service on the council as well as her experience as a state legislator, a teacher and a small business owner, Kathy has the dedication and skills to make county government more responsive and to reduce costs. In fact, this year she assisted in reducing the general fund budget by $93 million, and her office has consistently spent under budget each year!

Kathy helped develop new programs to increase public safety, helped fund the Sheriff’s department rescue helicopter hoist, worked with cities to get emergency supplies and with local farmers to develop flood protection areas.

“With this tough economy, county government must continue to prioritize spending and to see which programs work and which ones must be modified or discontinued. Just as your family adjusts spending to get through tough times, so should King County government.

“It’s an honor serving you; I would appreciate your vote.”
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 Governor Christine Gregoire, Chief Justice Gerry Alexander, King County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Satterburg, former Superior Court Presiding Judge Charles V. Johnson, Ruth Woo, Judy Maleng, and the 37th District Democrats.
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

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, hands-on Port experience—a nearly two decade career working with shipping companies, trucking and freight firms, trade and development offices, and industrial real estate.

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

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

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

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

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

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

David Doud

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

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

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

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COUNCILMEMBER JOSHUA FREED IS YOUR VOICE ON THE CITY COUNCIL.
I have listened to the people of Bothell and responded to your needs. When utility bills climbed, I led the fight to cut utility taxes. As our economy worsened, I worked to increase our reserves to 20% and helped create a plan the Governor honored for its responsibility to the taxpayers. You asked that we protect the Park at Bothell Landing and I listened by keeping the City Hall out and an expanded Park in. Unlike my opponent I did not support a plan to put residential density in every neighborhood at the expense of the environment and neighborhood character.

My highest priority is to ensure our children grow up in a Bothell with great jobs, safe neighborhoods and beautiful parks.

ENDORSEMENTS: BOTHELL POLICE & FIREFIGHTERS, AG ROB MCKENNA, REP. MARK ERICKS, MAYOR MARK LAMB, CITY COUNCILMEMBER DEL SPIVEY.

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Education: Seattle University - BA Degree

Great communities don’t happen by accident, they happen by design. For 17 years I’ve served on Bothell’s Planning Commission, developing regulations to protect and preserve our City’s small-town charm.

Bothell has been my family’s home for 42 years. I love this City, but today, Bothell’s livability is under threat. City Council has changed regulations that will increase density and traffic, spent millions of tax dollars on speculative real estate deals and voted themselves premium healthcare at taxpayers’ expense.

It’s time to get back to the basics. I’ll work to protect neighborhoods from intrusive development and cut-through traffic, provide excellent emergency services and parks and protect your tax dollars.

I’m an independent thinker. I’ll listen respectfully to all sides and make decisions in the best interest of our whole community. My Planning Commission service gives me the expertise to be immediately effective on Council.

I ask for your vote November 3rd.

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

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As a city council member, I have been a leader and strong supporter of the issues that are important to the citizens of Bothell—stable police and fire departments that provide quality public safety services to the community; reduced traffic congestion and the reduction in neighborhood cut through traffic; maintaining low property taxes; reducing utility taxes and environmental stewardship.

I think “outside the box” to problem solve and be an effective community leader, helping our families and Bothell through our tough economy into a brighter future.

I continue to be an advocate of local jobs, affordable housing, human services, and the senior community. My supporters include the Bothell Professional Firefighters, the Bothell Police Guild, Mark Ericks, and Rob McKenna. I look forward to continuing to serve you on our Bothell City Council. Thank you!

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There’s a block on City Council controlling almost every vote. That’s worrisome since just 4 Council members can put 30,000 Bothell citizens in serious debt.

Let these facts be your guide:
FACT: Since 2006, this block voted a 36% increase in General Fund spending – four times greater than inflation.
FACT: The block also approved a whopping 43% increase in General Fund personnel expenditures. Yet Bothell’s population grew only 8%.
FACT: In 2008, the block voted itself family health insurance, costing approximately $16,000 annually per council member, taxpayer-paid.
FACT: Utility taxes increased 22% since 2007-08.

WE NEED A CHANGE ON COUNCIL. I’ll reign in spending and bureaucratic expansion; make common-sense adjustments to deliver City services; and ensure Bothell lives within its means.

ELECT GERRY GAWNE FOR FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY.
Endorsements: Past/Present Council members: Patrick Ewing, Tim Tobin, Andrea Perry, Pat Pierce, Sue Kienast, Planning Commissioner Ernie Belickey
Visit: www.gerrygawne.com
City of Bothell
Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Jennifer Armenta has the skills and experience we need on the Bothell City Council. As an Intelligence Specialist with the US Navy, Jennifer was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for creating program providing efficiency. As your next city councilmember, Jennifer will fight for: • Economic Development: not just in the business parks, but on Main Street as well • Fiscal Responsibility: as a taxpayer, you expect and deserve a stable budget and responsible use of tax dollars. • Protecting Our Quality of Life: comprehensive planning, protecting our natural resources and preservation of Bothell’s unique “hometown” environment will maintain Bothell’s charm and livability as we grow.

Jennifer proudly lives and works in Bothell. A Senior Systems Manager at AT&T, Jennifer has the leadership skills to build consensus, a much-needed trait for our City Council.

Endorsed by: Bothell Mayor Mark Lamb & Councilmember Joshua Freed, WA State House Rep. Mark Ericks

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

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Education: University of Washington School of Medicine, Paramedic Certification.

I care for your health and welfare, that’s why I’m compelled to run for City Council. I’m appalled the City bills for 911 transportation. I’m concerned citizens will NOT call 911 for fear of a bill. This is NOT why we established 911.

Recent Council actions have been self serving. Last year a majority on Council voted to triple their compensation, awarding themselves and families 100% health-care benefits. They refused to support my motion to reduce skyrocketing utility taxes.

I seek your help to elect new Councilmembers who will represent you, not self and special interests.

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Occupation: Senior Administrative Assistant
Education: Everett Community College; Central Washington State College

DEPUTY MAYOR SANDY GUINN – INDEPENDENT LEADERSHIP THAT’S WORKING During my time as your city council representative, I worked to prepare Bothell for economic challenges other cities were unprepared for. Bothell has a 20% operating reserve, NO property tax increase, and I cut your utility taxes.

Representing YOU the citizens of Bothell, I worked with citizens and City to create safer crosswalks, championed preserving Pop Keeney Field, adding I-405 north bound lane, and reducing existing 65 foot tall buildings in downtown.

I fought for acquisition of open space and will continue to do so. I am a strong and consistent supporter of public safety and am proud that my support has earned the endorsement of former Bothell Police Chief, State Representative Mark Ericks.

I ask for your vote on November 3rd. Endorsements: Marianne LoGerfo, retired Director Northshore Senior Center, County Councilmember Kathy Lambert, Chair Law and Justice, and Representative Mark Ericks

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Occupation: Kenmore City councilmember, paraeducator Kenmore Jr. High, publisher Kenmore Blog.net
Education: Certificate of Municipal Leadership 2009, A.A. in Respiratory Therapy, Lane Community College, Eugene, Oregon

Kenmore is on the verge of having a vibrant downtown. We’re getting a new fire station, library, city hall, and downtown center. I’m seeking reelection to continue my efforts to revitalize our city in an affordable, environmentally friendly manner.

On the council, I’ve worked hard to preserve Kenmore’s environment and quality of life by improving parks, trails and open space and protecting the character of our single family neighborhoods through height and infill restrictions. I’ve encouraged citizen communication through a new city website, publishing a blog, and meeting with citizens. I’m committed to Kenmore’s continued economic health and prosperity by being fiscally responsible and attracting new stores and businesses to the city.

I serve as Kenmore’s representative on the WR8 Salmon Recovery Council, Northshore Parks and Recreation Service Area, and Kenmore Library Advisory Board.

Our city is important to us all. Let’s keep moving forward toward a better Kenmore.

Diane A. Brennan
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Occupation: Technical Writer
Education: BA English, Weber State University

The message I hear from Kenmore residents is that they want open, transparent government that listens and responds to their concerns, protects our quality of life, and spends tax dollars wisely. I’m committed to providing that leadership.

As a believer in the golden rule between generations, I’m committed to protecting our community’s natural resources and the public health.

I’m an advocate for our small businesses. We’re losing necessary sales tax revenue whenever an established business leaves the city.

I’m a veteran of the US Air Force where I worked as an electronic technician. I’m a technical communicator in the software industry and have ideas for using technology to provide community access to government.

As a leader of Kenmore Neighbors for Responsible Growth, I have worked with the city to bring positive changes to our community. My vision is of a thriving and vibrant Kenmore community. I truly appreciate your vote.

Bob Hensel
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Occupation: Auction Sales and Operations
Education: BA Business Administration, University of Washington

Ranked number one by Seattle Magazine as the best metropolitan neighborhood to live in ranked by Family Circle Magazine as one of the ten best towns in the nation for families, Kenmore is developing into the City residents envisioned upon incorporation in 1998.

I believe as a businessman working and living in Kenmore the key to continued success is economic development. As a member of the Kenmore Economic Strategy Advisory Committee we implemented goals to establish Kenmore’s image by promoting its high quality of life, supporting existing businesses, pursuing opportunities to expand employment, creating a multi use vibrant downtown, advancing the community’s connection to the waterfront. Goals I will pursue as your councilmember.

Economic development also includes expanding parks and creating active spaces, maintaining a supportive culture among all members of the city organization, engaging Kenmore residents through community outreach.

I ask for your vote to achieve these goals.
City of Kenmore  
Council Position No. 6  (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

**Patrick E. O’Brien**

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**Occupation:** Solar Equipment Sales/Charity Auctioneer  
**Education:** B.A. Western Washington Univ  
Alternative Energy/Bio Mass

Honorable citizens of Kenmore. Our counsel was expected to be wise and accountable with your money. Your concerns for realistic City spending has been categorically ignored. My job is to make sure your City’s money is spent openly and wisely. Put major spending projects to a public vote. Automatic City paid Counsel trips bye-bye. Help the local business people instead of squeezing them. No funny accounting. Un-mask it, make it understandable for the public to review. Increase safety & access over 522. Fix the problems at the boat launch. Press for a great down town development. Even if that means putting the project out for a “competitive price” re-bid. Press for new playing fields on non sensitive land. More free recycle days. Prioritize sidewalks & bike lanes. Form a Citizens Police review board. Streamline Green building permits. Air & water quality a must. Keep St. Edwards Park unspoiled.

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**Allan Van Ness**

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**Occupation:** Councilmember; Orthodontist, retired 2008; Clinical Professor instructing UW orthodontic residents.  
**Education:** Bachelor’s, DDS and Master of Science in Dentistry, University of Washington; Roosevelt High School, Seattle.

As your Councilmember, I’ve worked to upgrade our parks, pass a critical areas ordinance, establish infill and height regulations, improve safety and traffic on SR-522, and ensure that the new City Hall is environmentally friendly and affordable.  

I’m running for reelection to see to completion the revitalization of Kenmore. I envision a vibrant mixed-use community that’s easy to access and pedestrian friendly while maintaining single-family neighborhoods. As development proceeds, we must safeguard our environmental resources. Our parks are a rich asset that we must improve for all ages and interests.  

City projects must be accomplished with fiscal responsibility, transparency, and citizen participation. My goal is for Kenmore to remain affordable without increasing the tax burden.  

With four years experience on the Council and regional committees, I’ve gained the skills and knowledge to best serve our city. I’m excited about Kenmore’s future and humbly request your continued trust, support and vote.
City of Kirkland
Council Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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A Fresh Eye, A New voice for Our Community …
Kirkland has been my home for over 30 years. Sharon and I married 21 years ago and have two children, Cameron and Mackenzie. I worked on the 85th Street Corridor and the Neighborhood Comprehensive Plan. I also volunteer at my children’s schools and in youth sports as umpire, coach, Kirkland Baseball commissioner, and supportive parent.

I am concerned for current and future families. Keeping abreast of city issues is a passion of mine. Open, transparent government is necessary with easy access for all. Funding of all city services and quality of life is expected where neighborhood character is preserved and businesses succeed. A safe off-leash dog park is overdue. Annexation is a concern. And, finally … no new taxes! I am committed to fiscal responsibility and a sustainable budget.

I will work diligently as YOUR councilman.
Vote for Martin Morgan!

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Experience Integrity Dedication
Joan McBride, with 12 years on the City Council and 50 years as a resident, brings a strong historic perspective to her work on the council. As a member of the Finance Committee, Joan is determined to help guide Kirkland through the current economic downturn by adhering to strong fiscal management practices. She is committed to preserving Kirkland’s small town character and pedestrian friendly community through a balanced approach to growth.

Joan received the 2007 “Elected Official of the Year” from the Alliance of Eastside Agencies and a “Service Award” from the King Conservation District. Some of Joan’s many accomplishments over the years include preservation of public art, championing affordable housing and advocating for more sidewalks and bike lanes. “Working together, we can continue to be the most livable city in the region.”

Joan is endorsed by eight former Kirkland mayors and the Kirkland Firefighters.

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

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Rated “OUTSTANDING” by King County Municipal League
Endorsed: Kirkland Firefighters, Kirkland Police Guild, Kirkland Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Women’s Political Caucus,

Eastside Business Alliance, Affordable Housing Council and many more

“Now, more than ever, it’s time for the change that brings us together as one community.

“Our current economic crisis requires we prioritize essential city services to assure a viable future for Kirkland.

“We must achieve a balance between strong neighborhoods and vibrant business districts in a way that honors our history, preserves our environment and small town feel for future generations.

“I am my Neighborhood Association Chair, member of Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods, a 25 year Kirkland business owner, member of the Kirkland Chamber, a retired healthcare administrator and President of Celebrate Kirkland! My broad base of expertise and perspective are needed now on our council.

“I am passionate advocate for ALL of Kirkland and I ask for your vote.”

Brad Larssen
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Occupation: Carpenter. Retired Organizer and Aerospace Manufacturing Engineer
Education: University of Illinois, B.A. History, Honors

“Kirkland citizens love the unique character of our city and want to retain and protect it. You can trust me to do that. I will not support oversized, over-code development that threatens the livability and character of our neighborhoods and downtown. I will listen to you.”

Brad’s outstanding record of public service will benefit Kirkland citizens right from the start.

He has a long record of advocating for working families and ordinary citizens, as union organizer, officer, trustee, and delegate.

He has many years of practical experience on executive boards, committees, and regional councils. His experience with large budgets will help balance Kirkland’s budget without harmful cuts to public safety and essential services.

Brad supports open, transparent government, accountable to the whole community, not just a few special interests.

Endorsed by Mayor Jim Lauinger, 45th and 48th District and King County Democrats, labor organizations, many neighborhood and community leaders.
City of Kirkland  
Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: Chief Financial Officer, Ford/  
Hyundai of Kirkland
Education: Law Degree, Political Science  
Degree

I will bring a fresh perspective to the Kirkland City Council  
Balancing the Budget
My background in law and finance has taught me how to balance  
budgets. I have helped employers manage through tough economic times  
and will help the City of Kirkland do the same.
Public Safety
The city's top priority is protecting the safety of citizens. I will work hard  
to make sure that those keeping us safe have the resources they need to  
be effective.
Sustainability and Leadership
City planning should place businesses where they are best able to  
serve residents. We must preserve Kirkland's heritage and maintain its  
natural charm, with responsible city planning.
I will protect Kirkland’s unique beauty and vibrant community  
My goal as your City Councilmember will be to create a lively and  
attractive place for our citizens to live, shop, work and raise a family.
Endorsed: Kirkland Firefighters and The Seattle Times

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Occupation: Distributor of educational  
software and instructional materials
Education: Portland Community College;  
Committed to lifelong learning and  
continuing education in economics and  
management

Two-term chair North Rose Hill Neighborhood Association • Kirkland  
Alliance of Neighborhoods representative • Kirkland Planning Commission,  
including Chair • Kirkland business owner • Kirkland Economic Partnership • A  
Regional Coalition for Housing citizen board • 17-year resident of Kirkland  
My experience in Kirkland is unequaled. Your vote for me is a vote  
for experience, neighborhood advocacy and fiscal responsibility.  
I’ll safeguard neighborhood character and stand up to development  
interests that don’t respect the Comprehensive Plan and Kirkland’s  
values. I’ll work to maintain strong business communities and safe  
neighborhoods that support and respect each other.
Kirkland faces significant economic challenges – I will insist the City  
live within its means and work tirelessly to pursue a sustainable and  
fiscally responsible budget.
Rated “Very Good” by Municipal League of King County –  
highest rated for Position 5
Endorsed by: • King County Women’s Political Caucus • Commu-  
nity and neighborhood leaders
I appreciate your vote.

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

Tom Hodgson
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Occupation: Creative Director
Education: AAS Creative Academy, Seattle

Controlled growth and open government are critical to preserving our  
valued quality of life. My vision for Kirkland is to retain the qualities that  
make it the desirable place it is today.
EXPERIENCE: Current Kirkland City Council Position 7 • Chair,  
Kirkland Planning Commission • Kirkland Park Board • Chair, North Rose  
Hill Neighborhood Association • Chair, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee  
• Chair, Housing Committee
BALANCE: I support strong neighborhoods, vital business districts,  
carefully managed growth, a sustainable city budget, more housing  
choices, transportation alternatives, and open access to public policy  
making. I believe strong families are the best investment the city can  
make for its future.
LEADERSHIP: Kirkland is a city with great natural amenities and  
exciting possibilities. I have the experience and balance to ensure that  
Kirkland grows gracefully while preserving its livable character.
ENDORSED: KIRKLAND POLICE and KIRKLAND FIREFIGHTERS.

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Occupation: Retired CEO/ Public  
Administrator
Education: BA Seattle University

As a 17-year resident of Kirkland and former CEO of Hopelink, I have a  
proven track record of bringing people together around issues that matter  
to the community. Kirkland is facing serious challenges – a possible  
annexation, budget shortfalls, and hiring the next City Manager. We need  
strong, experienced leadership that can bring the Council and community  
together.
As a public servant and non-profit director over the past 25 years,  
I have tackled the toughest problems straight on and found solutions  
because I listen to people from all points of view and I know how to  
cut through the complexities of public policy. I will foster civility on the  
Council, hold myself to the highest ethical standards, and bring solutions  
to our city’s problems.
I am running for City Council because I have the experience and skills  
to lead Kirkland forward.
Endorsed by 7 former Kirkland Mayors   Rated Outstanding Municipal  
League.
City of Kirkland
Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: Kirkland Municipal Court Judge
Education: J.D. law degree from Gonzaga University, School of Law

In 2006, the Kirkland City Council appointed me to the Kirkland Municipal Court. The appointment followed unanimous recommendations from three different interview panels that included Judges, defense lawyers, prosecutors, city attorneys, court administrators, probation officers, and city management officials.

For 21 years prior to becoming a Judge, I focused on litigation, trying hundreds of cases as prosecutor and defense lawyer. These matters included theft, DUI, rape, kidnapping, and murder. I have argued appellate court matters as well as represented clients in Juvenile Court.

I live and work in Kirkland. My two adult daughters, Julie and Maria, also live nearby. I received my degrees from Seattle University and Gonzaga University, School of Law.

Most people first encounter the judicial system at the Municipal Court level. As the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge, I will continue to treat all parties fairly, courteously and professionally, while focusing on ways to improve access to justice.

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

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Occupation: Human Resource Consultant focusing on small business
Education: University of Washington BA -Business

It has been an honor to have served on the Redmond City Council. We accomplished much, yet there is much left to complete. I bring the experience, leadership, and will to address the challenges ahead.

Fiscal Accountability. We have started a process to change the city’s budget to one that focuses on the community’s highest priorities. We made tremendous progress and greatly improved Redmond’s financial stability. It will take consistent leadership to make the new budget process a standard business practice.

Economic Vitality. Redmond is a great place to live, work and play. The continued success of our community requires that we work now to insure the economic vitality of Redmond for future generations. I intend to see that the Economic Vitality initiative we launched this year returns dividends.

Leadership I am committed to using my experience and leadership to make our community a great place to live.
City of Redmond
Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: Retail Management
Education: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Like many others Microsoft drew my husband and I to the city. As more people have chosen to live in Redmond we have become a younger, more diverse community. This new generation of citizens brings new ideas and new energy. Our City Council has served us well. Now it’s time for the next generation of leaders to step up and share the responsibility for the future of our city. A council that is more representative of its community’s changing population and ideas will be a more informed and effective body. I am the candidate that bridges the best of what we have with the new. On council, my 5 priorities are: providing representation that reflects the community, balancing the needs of both people and business, developing smart well-planned downtown growth, promoting safe and effective transportation solutions, and preserving our parks and environment. Thank you.

Kim Allen
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Occupation: City Councilmember; Hearing Examiner; Former Prosecutor and Assistant Attorney General
Education: Juris Doctor Cum Laude-Detroit College of Law; BA Political Science-University of Michigan

Experienced Leadership on Your Side
As your Councilmember, I’ve been asking the questions you want answered and leading Redmond’s interests on growth management and transportation. I represent Redmond on Eastside Transportation Partnership, working to bring us more busses and light rail. I’m serving as Council’s lead in rewriting Redmond’s zoning code so you’ll know exactly how new growth will look and don’t have to be a city planner to remodel your own home. I want City Hall to be open and accessible when you come to get things done. I believe the neighbors who live here should be the architects of Redmond’s future.

I’m working to make Redmond more sustainable so our kids can afford to live here. We need to stay focused, build smarter and grow thoughtfully. Protecting our trees and community character makes Redmond a quality home for everyone. Let’s keep the momentum on what matters to you.

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

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Occupation: Chair, Redmond Arts Commission; Microsoft, OEM Sales Division, retired
Education: University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, BBA-Management Information Systems

John believes local government has the biggest impact on our daily lives, and that working together we can manage growth and other issues facing Redmond while preserving its uniqueness. He will work with Redmond citizens to ensure we make the best decisions for our community. He wants Redmond to be a safe, culturally rich, and economically vibrant city we proudly call “home.” He envisions Redmond citizens engaged in their community and instilled with a sense of pride in their city.

As a Redmond resident of seventeen years, John has experienced city government as a citizen and as an active participant in civic process. His professional career at Microsoft and Unisys prepared him to handle the fiscal and management oversight responsibilities of city council. This combined experience in the private and public sectors has uniquely qualified John to propose innovative solutions to the challenges and opportunities facing Redmond.
John James
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**Occupation:** Realtor, Broker, and Executive Business Consultant Coldwell Banker Real Estate

**Education:** B.A. Degree, University of California Santa Barbara. Double Major: Business Economics / Law & Society

I desire to make Sammamish the very best place to live. Like you, I see the need for additional City amenities and facilities, such as parks, recreation opportunities, and a community center to benefit youth, seniors, and all residents.

I also understand our tough economic climate, and that Sammamish has limited tax revenues. I will work hard to set priorities, manage your tax dollars wisely, and ensure that the City operates within its means. We must have smart planning to provide small retail, entertainment, restaurant, and cultural opportunities through the creation of a dynamic Town Center, while protecting our environment and Sammamish’s unique charm.

We must also provide the necessary infrastructure and transportation solutions that will reduce traffic congestion. I will work with state, county, local, and neighboring municipalities to make that happen.

You can learn more at www.ElectJohnJames.com. Thank you for your vote. Together we can make a difference!

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Having served the community as a Planning Commissioner for nearly four years, I would like to serve the citizens of Sammamish further. The City faces future challenges in managing growth while maintaining the levels of services we all count on, limiting the impacts to the natural environment and making investments in civic and recreational facilities that can serve the broader desires of our citizens. It will be important for the Council to focus its spending such that it is meeting the top priorities for our community, while ensuring that these investments do not put an undue burden on the citizens of Sammamish. I have the time, dedication and commitment to represent the community with an open mind, fresh thinking and creative problem solving. By working together and involving the community, we will continue to make the City of Sammamish the place we are all proud to call home.

Tom Vance
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**Occupation:** Former Executive in the Publishing and Communications Industry

**Education:** BA, MA, University of California, Santa Barbara

I promise to work hard to fulfill our vision of a family friendly suburban community with better roads, transit, bike and pedestrian paths, a healthy environment, and with recreation, civic and cultural opportunities for our families, teens and seniors.

We can do this while continuing our record of financial responsibility, low taxes, and pay-as-we-go policy to fix our roads, expand parks and sports fields, and create public gathering places.

Currently, Tom serves as Chair of our Planning Commission. Tom also served as Chair of the Park Bond Advisory Committee. He’s been a long time advocate for more parks and trails, sports fields, a better library, and a Town Center that will enhance our community. He and his wife Mary Lynn have lived in the community for 15 years.

Elect Tom Vance: the candidate with experienced leadership and a vision for our next ten years.

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**Occupation:** Development Consultant Non-profit Organizations, President of John Curley Auctions

**Education:** Villanova University, Carnegie Mellon University

We are a young, smart and energetic city. We bustle with family and community activities. We look out for each other and take time to be good neighbors.

We deserve elected officials who reflect this spirit and energy. We need council members who can relate to us and find the respectful balance between nature and private property.

With your vote I will be that council member. I will be the one you can count on. I will be the one that asks before every vote, “Is this the best use of your tax dollars?”

Let me be your voice. I will speak not as a politician or entrenched bureaucratic insider but as a father, a husband, a neighbor, a fellow taxpayer who believes the best days are ahead.

I am proud to be endorsed by Attorney General Rob McKenna.
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Education: College educated. Saddleback Junior College and College of Marin.

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Education: BS and MS, Physics, U. of Wis.; PhD, Astronomy, U. of WA.

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Occupation: Former Airline Network Planner, Financial Controller, and International Marketing Director.
Education: BA International Studies: MBA Marketing & Transportation, both from the University of Minnesota

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Education: BA/MA,+36

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VOTE FOR ME!!
If you want the heart of Sammamish to have a strong beat!!
I support a sustainable TOWN CENTER that includes a TEEN CENTER, POST OFFICE, and other needed civic amenities. A gathering place, a place to build community. Land-use and zoning decisions that support small local businesses. Encouraging more business and employment opportunities within the city that leads to reduction in vehicle miles traveled and to long term financial sustainability by creating new revenue sources for the city. I advocate smart growth strategies within the town center that will result in needed housing, transportation, and life style choices. More restaurants, arts, recreation, and entertainment for all ages is needed.

I believe in OPEN GOVERNMENT, a Council/citizen relationship that encourages public participation. Many citizens have spoken, yet many have not been heard. If elected, I will work hard to change that.

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I am honored to have served this wonderful City of Sammamish since its birth in 1999. This has been an exciting, challenging and very rewarding journey for me and for the City. Now that the City is established and thriving, and financially sound (AAA bond rating and very little debt), the next challenge is to position Sammamish for the changing economy and region/world conditions.

I serve on many regional boards focusing on land use and transportation issues, as well as the Board of the Association of Washington Cities and a National League of Cities Steering Committee. I am a proponent of leading edge technologies for Sammamish, such as next generation broadband, smart grid, electric and hybrid vehicles. At the same time, I look for more retail and commercial opportunities within Sammamish, along with a teen center, a signature community center, and better non-motorized and motorized connectivity within the City.

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Tom Odell has the time, talent, and tenacity to deal with the challenges facing our city as we enter our second decade. With his extensive executive experience, Tom brings fresh new ideas and a balanced approach to the Council. He offers the rare combination of expertise in financial management ($60+ million/month budget), planning, problem-solving, and transportation that Sammamish needs.

As Sammamish faces significant growth-related challenges, Tom Odell addresses three “Hot Button” issues: • Traffic and Transportation – provide real traffic relief for both today and the future • Fiscal Responsibility – refocus expenditures on real necessities and maintaining our infrastructure • Services - provide a Civic Center for all residents—young and old—offering recreational, educational, and counseling opportunities. “I pledge to work tirelessly as your representative to ensure that our city’s needs are met while maintaining the special character of Sammamish.”

Tom ranked ahead of his opponent with the Municipal League.

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Jack Barry is a proven leader. As a member of the Sammamish City Council for ten years, Jack has served as Mayor and two times as Deputy Mayor. He is committed to holding taxes down and stays closely focused on evidence of sound fiscal management. He worked to increase essential police and fire services, saving $1.2 million for the city through restructuring of service delivery. During this time, Sammamish earned recognition as America’s 12th Best City for livability by CNN Money Magazine; the city also earned the Governor’s Smart Community Award and achieved Mood’s highest possible (AAA) bond rating. Jack has earned your vote! With Jack Barry, Sammamish gets continued, proven excellence, and you get what you expect and deserve from city council leadership. Vote for Jack Barry, Position 7, Campaign address: 3322 259th Place SE, Sammamish, WA. 425.837.0060
**Council Position No. 3**

**Paulette Bauman**

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- **Occupation:** Small Business Owner & Residential Property Manager, Woodinville
- **Education:** Bachelor of Science, Political Science, University of Washington; Legislative Intern, Washington State House of Representatives

I am committed to putting citizens first, improving roads, traffic congestion, infrastructure, and public safety while being fiscally responsible. I will work hard to protect our quality of life, while encouraging a thriving business community and tourism. Woodinville has the potential for the best of both worlds. We can manage growth and protect our residential neighborhoods preserving our unique blend of rural living in an urban setting. I support open spaces, parks and a pedestrian/bike friendly community.

My family moved to Woodinville in 1972. Today my husband and I are raising our two children in Woodinville where we both grew up. I am running to preserve the best qualities of Woodinville and why we live, work and play here.

- **Qualifications:** City of Woodinville Parks and Recreation Commissioner; City of Woodinville Economic Development Committee Member; Wellington PTA Executive Secretary, Legislative Chair, Grant Chair, Member, Volunteer; Leota PTA Member, Volunteer

Woodinville needs a new kind of Councilmember. A TRUE INDEPENDENT beholds only to you, the voter. One who listens to residents as customers. One with the communication skills, sense of urgency and financial sensibility of a small businessperson.

**We love Woodinville.** Since 1986, my wife and I have lived here, raised our children here, and now run a small business here. My credentials as a local executive include 30 years of helping others advertise and promote their businesses here.

For you, I pledge to: put families first; protect all residents; preserve our neighborhoods & open spaces; partner with small business to grow revenues; and promote Woodinville as a world class place to live, work, play or visit.

JOIN ME to fight waste in the city hall and reduce congestion on our streets. Together you and I will return COMMON SENSE and FAIR PLAY to our hometown government.

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**Council Position No. 1**

**Rick Chatterton**

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- **Education:** Master of Arts, University of Arizona

Having traveled around the globe and across this great country, I have found no better place to call home than the City of Woodinville.

As a Councilmember I will work on your behalf to ensure “Country Living, City Style” remains a hallmark of Woodinville for generations. I promise to be diplomatic and neighborly while engaging in difficult discussions and to use fiscal prudence when mapping the future of this special neighborhood we share.

I hold a Masters Degree and worked for a global cruise vacation company for 18 years, most recently managing international recruiting and directing brand quality. My corporate experience required strict financial oversight to maximize shareholder value. Currently, I serve on the Woodinville Emergency Preparedness Commission. I am a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member and volunteer weekly at Ronald McDonald House.

I look forward to serving you to help make all of Woodinville a better place.

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**Chuck Price**

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- **Occupation:** Civil Engineer - Licensed Washington State Professional Engineer
- **Education:** Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Washington in 1977

Looking at my past eight years on City Council, it’s exciting being a driving force for positive change in our City. I have worked hard to increase public awareness and involvement. My efforts to televise Council and Commission meetings have been very successful.

I’ve worked hard shifting City Council’s priorities to respond to our citizen’s needs. Roads and sidewalks are finally being improved, paved and plowed. We have redirected our Public Works department to solve flooding problems that plagued our downtown for years. The street overlay program I initiated is a tremendous success and we’re catching up with deteriorating street conditions. We have made progress with increased Police services adding a School Resource Officer.

More work needs to be done. Crime rates need to be reduced, transportation systems need improvement and budget priorities need to reflect the citizen’s needs. I look forward to serving our city for another four years.

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**Jeff Thomas**

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- **Occupation:** Owner – Crossroad SIGN (Woodinville)
- **Education:** B.A. – UCLA

I am running for re-election because I love Woodinville. Since 1986, my wife and I have lived here, raised our children here, and now run a small business here. My credentials as a legislator include 30 years of helping others advertise and promote their businesses here.

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Occupation: Documentation Program Manager, Planning Commission Vice Chair. Nonprofit Vice Chair.
Education: MS Geology, minor Geophysics, Caltech. BS Geology, BA Economics, cum laude, Hope College.

My family moved to Woodinville in 1997 for its excellent schools and “Country living, city style.” I’ve become involved here--currently as Vice Chair of the Planning Commission--to use my geology and economics background to preserve Woodinville’s quality of life.

My goal is to bring the Council’s decisions into alignment with citizens’ priorities. In citywide surveys and one-to-one conversations, citizens ask for sidewalks and crosswalks, congestion relief, and preservation of Woodinville’s northwest woodland character.

As citizens, we want Woodinville’s future to be decided by Woodinville’s people. We want safe, pleasant neighborhoods. We want more time with our families and less time sitting in traffic. We want to preserve this wonderful community for our kids and grandkids. These are reasonable, basic requests that I want to help deliver.

I’m endorsed by many citizens of Woodinville as well as our state legislators, Senator Eric Oemig and Representative Roger Goodman.

Bob Vogt
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Education: University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. BA studies

My family moved here from Wisconsin in 1991, my family and I chose Woodinville for its unique character and quality of life. Today, Woodinville remains a friendly and safe place to live, work, play and raise a family. As Deputy Mayor, I’ve worked to protect and enhance these qualities.

As Woodinville grows, I pledge to work to assure that growth never compromises the character and safety of our neighborhoods, and that Woodinville’s “small town” feeling remains. I will keep a close eye on the City budget so that services are delivered without increasing property taxes. I’ll also seek to promote the potential of our local businesses and tourism through sound economic development principles, while adhering to the highest standards of land use and transportation planning.

I respectfully ask for your vote on Nov. 3rd, and promise to continue to serve with dedication and integrity as your representative on City Council.

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Occupation: Retired Attorney
Education: J.D., Fordham Law School, 1970; B.S., Lehigh University, 1967 (Accounting)

As a retired attorney and accountant I can contribute professionalism, respect and fiscal responsibility to the city council. Currently I serve as City Parks Commissioner (Vice Chair in 2008) and Vice President for Concerned Neighbors of Wellington our largest neighborhood organization. Through this process I have come to understand the goals and priorities of our citizens.

My priorities are to work with the Council and Community, connecting our neighborhoods, schools and downtown with safe pedestrian-bicycle access, improving our police services and working on long term transportation needs.

The Boy Scout motto “be prepared” applies to government as well as an individual. The challenge for Woodinville will be to anticipate development needs and plan those projects to benefit and not change the wonderful character of our city.

EXPERIENCE: Private Practice Attorney, 30 years • Deputy District Attorney • 1st Lieutenant, U.S. Army (Chief of Central Accounting Office, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland)

Toren Heald
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Occupation: Owner/Broker Wedgewood Realty
Education: Degrees in Digital Electronics and Nautical Science (US Navy ’89-’92)

As a parent, fifth-generation Woodinville resident and a local business owner, I am well aware of the major challenges facing our community and the need for good leadership to address these issues. Smart fiscal decisions will need to be made to balance the city budget without sacrificing our outstanding quality of life.

Fiscal discipline, identifying community priorities and spending funds wisely will be my priority as the next Council deals with infrastructure, transportation, public safety and economic development needs within the confines of a limited city budget.

As your Councilmember, I will work to build a safe community for Woodinville families and businesses by: • Maintaining fiscal responsibility without raising taxes • Prioritizing expenditures based on community needs and benefits • Encouraging the retention and growth of business to help balance the tax base • Encourage development of agricultural tourism.

I respectfully ask for your vote in November.
I have been on the Bellevue School Board since 2004, and am pleased to be running for another term. My husband and I have lived here for 16 years, and next June we will celebrate our fourth child’s graduation from Bellevue High School.

During my time on the board, I have grown into this complicated position, seeking balance between individual students, families, teachers and schools, and the overall district and community. We have faced the complexities of ever-increasing expectations for student success, teacher dissatisfaction and alienation, economic crises, and new district leadership. With growing experience, I have become increasingly passionate about our national need for first-rate public education to meet the requirements of all of our children. The Bellevue School District is a learning community that I am proud to work for.

ACCOUNTABILITY • ACCESSIBILITY • BUILDING A SYNERGISTIC NETWORK by opening the doors of our school district influence to parents, teachers, community businesses and agencies...and to the taxpayers. I’m excited about an inviting approach, to increase feelings of empowerment.

I LOVE education, with its processes, discoveries, questions, and accomplishments. I’d like to see criteria based on Bellevue standards, reflected in happy students realizing their successes and individual goals, satisfied teachers who don’t feel the need to strike, engaged parents helping to direct the vision for future generations, and appreciative taxpayers for the manner in which their funds are governed.

I’ve had the honor of serving as a Seattle Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic for 26 years. My husband, Miki, and I have two daughters in the Bellevue School District, and my father taught here for 20 years. I would appreciate your vote, and the honor of serving you.

In the eight years I have served on School Board, the District has made great progress toward a comprehensive curriculum and we continue to rebuild schools to provide the best learning environment for students, teachers and the community. All of our high schools are nationally ranked for their ability to prepare students for college and we are increasing enrollment by attracting new families to Bellevue.

I ask for your support for a 3rd term because there is still work to be done closing the gap between our most capable students and students who need additional support. We have a new Superintendent, and in this trying economy, a stable and knowledgable Board will help her achieve the District’s goals for the next several years.

I have served as Board President and Vice President and I understand the State’s complex education funding which will help me continue the work already in progress.
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Occupation: Mechanical Engineer - medical device industry
Education: Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering - University of Washington

No yard signs! Green for School Board will not be posting any yard signs as part of Dustin Green’s campaign. Dustin Green feels that yard signs are a waste of money and resources that could be put to better use in the district. Please see the Riverview Education Foundation website (www.refweb.org ) for contribution ideas.

Dustin Green has lived in Carnation the past 13 years and plans to have children in the Riverview School District for the next 15. Our district is doing quite well academically and financially compared to many districts in Washington. Dustin Green wishes to continue that excellence and advocate for: closing the science achievement gap, energy & transportation cost reductions, increasing the districts rainy day fund and expanding food purchases from local farmers.

Please contact Dustin Green directly with all questions and comments: dustingreen@comcast.net .

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Occupation: Learning Consultant - Project Manager
Education: Masters of Education: Curriculum and Instructional Technology

I am honored to run for re-election to the Riverview School Board. I am proud to be part of an educational team that believes in providing top education to all children. Working together as a district, this vision is becoming a reality.

As a member of the Board of Directors in the Riverview School District for over three years, I am proud of our schools, our students, our athletic teams and the activities available for students.

Riverview School District is emerging as one of the finest in our state. We have great staff, great leadership, involved students and parents, strong community support, and focused strategic planning. We continue to make great steps forward in student learning.

Thanks to voter support of our bond our school facilities are much improved with updated curriculum, athletic fields and technology. Thank you for your support.

Danny L. Edwards
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Occupation: Financial Advisor

It has been a real privilege to have served the community as a Director for the Riverview School District since being appointed to the Board in November of 2007. As a parent with kids in our schools, past and present, I’m keenly aware of how important my role is. I’d like to continue to serve you, and would appreciate your vote.

My family has lived in Duvall for 16 years, and I run my business right here in Duvall. I’m a firm believer in public education. We have made such great progress in educating our students, and it’s so important to continue this work. I’m here to represent you, the citizens and taxpayers of our valley.

Thank you for your support.

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Occupation: Captain, Duvall Fire Department
Education: B.S. Environmental Studies, Huxley College, WWU

I am running for reelection for the Riverview School District Board of Directors.

Although I am unopposed, I would appreciate your support in this election. Our district has had tremendous success in recent years. We are financially in better shape than many districts in these difficult economic times. We have seen gains in our student test scores. We have been able to provide a wonderful variety of programs and opportunities for our students. We have had tremendous voter support for our programs and facilities. We are partway through an ambitious program to upgrade our facilities. If elected, I will continue to make student learning our number one goal. Furthermore, I will work to ensure we manage our finances to maximize student learning, protect our investment in our facilities, provide a safe and healthy environment, and manage our schools in an open and honest fashion.
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Occupation: Executive Director of Business Development; Project and Construction Management
Education: Masters in Business Administration, Engineering Management and Technology

I have twenty-seven years of construction experience. Twenty of those have been spent managing the design and construction of over one billion dollars in public schools. As our district continues to grow, I plan to use the expertise developed in my profession to provide leadership in our response to growth.

I have also spent fourteen years as a citizen volunteer working on district committees including curriculum adoption, finance, parent advisory, and capital facilities. I have served as the district’s bond and levy chairman for over a decade working alongside friends, neighbors, and educators to improve our schools.

I have lived in the Snoqualmie Valley since 1988. I have two children in the district and my wife is an educator in the valley. Education is an enormous part of our lives and I hope to use my skills and knowledge to continue to improve the educational experience of our students.

Paul Houldridge
www.Paul4SchoolBoard.org

Occupation: Software Engineer, Father of Five
Education: BS in Computer Science with an emphasis in Artificial Intelligence

The problems facing our district range from finances to controversial issues dividing our community and our students. This is a time for coming together on the common ground of the best interests of the children and families across the Valley, not the same lax approach to governance we’ve seen in recent years.

The coming years will bring more tough decisions to the board; decisions that will impact every family in the district. I will bring fresh perspectives to move our schools forward in responsible ways.

As the father of five children who attend Opstad Elementary School, Twin Falls Middle School, and Mount Si High School, I have a vested interest in our district.

I have a track record of volunteerism in the community and schools. If elected, I will be guided by three core principles: Academic Excellence, Fiscal Responsibility, and Transparency and Accountability.

Kevin Bardsley
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Occupation: Small Business Owner- Flory Sales & Marketing LLC, parent
Education: B.S. degree, Kansas State University, Milling Science & Management

We need to “Sharpen our FOCUS” to improve our children’s education. Our school budget has increased 97% in 10 years to $52 million dollars, while our enrollment has only increased 33%. Yet our children’s academic progress isn’t advancing at the same rate as our funding. We need changes! Sensible spending, more focus on teaching, better community and parent communications, smaller class sizes in K-3, and less distractions on political opinions.

Actively raising 4 kids in the valley, we’ve experienced all grade levels in the district. As a successful small business owner, and 20 years of corporate business management experience, I have the skills to effectively communicate, strengthen the strategic planning process, and provide conservative budget oversight. These skills along with my desire to listen and represent your views on the school board will benefit our district and our children.

Elect Kevin Bardsley to the Snoqualmie Valley School Board District 3.

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Occupation: Business Executive
Education: BS Systems Engineering, U.S. Naval Academy; Masters in Business Administration, Harvard Business School

Each and every child that lives within our district deserves the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe, respectful environment where they can discover and pursue their passions and potential. While we have our budget and growth challenges, we can allow no other outcome than to succeed and excel for our kids. With strong leadership, clear two-way communications, fiscal responsibility, and the continued support of our excellent district staff, parents, students and community, I am excited to help our district continue to improve as one of the best school districts in the state.

I have had the honor of serving as an appointed member of the Snoqualmie Valley School District School Board since February, 2009. My qualifications for School Board Director include extensive experience in organizational business operations and leadership as the Chief Executive Officer of several high growth companies. I ask for your vote to continue my service.
Marci Busby

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Occupation: Physical Therapist Assistant
Education: Green River Community College Physical Therapist Assistant Degree

I have three daughters, Jana, Brianna, and Marissa and have been a resident of the Snoqualmie Valley since 1983. Professionally, I am a Physical Therapist Assistant in North Bend.

I have volunteered for the Snoqualmie Valley School District for 19 years, participated in numerous activities including book fairs, carnivals, holiday extravaganzas, and served on the PTA. In addition, I was co-chair of Voters for Excellence for 13 years and have been on the Board of Directors for 4 years, the last two years as President. I also served as a Board representative for the recent negotiations with PSE and SVASA.

I have a good understanding of what it takes to make a school district successful, having worked in various capacities throughout the district. It is my goal to ensure that all students in our district receive a quality education and learn to their highest potential. Thank you for your consideration.

Dan Popp

No statement submitted.
I am seeking my fourth term on the LWSD Board. In my terms on the Board, I have stressed accountability, fiscal responsibility, and academic achievement for all students. In particular, I believe that all students should graduate with a strong foundation in the basics – reading, mathematics, history, science, and literature – as well as opportunities for learning in the arts, athletics, and career paths. LWSD faced a $7.7 million reduction in state funding for this upcoming year’s budget. The LWSD administration and board launched a public process to make our community aware of the significance of the budget reductions and to solicit input. Over a thousand of you came out to listen and help set our priorities. Thank you! It is clear that education is a strong value in our community. Our students are being asked to achieve at higher levels than ever before and they are showing us that they can do this. I look forward to your support in the next four years as we continue to improve education in the LWSD.
Northshore School District No. 417
Director District No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: School Board Member
Education: Bachelor of Arts of Political Science from University of Washington

I have been honored to serve the students and families of Northshore as a School Board member for the past four years, working in the best interests of all students. I understand the complexities of public education and want to maintain our high-quality instructional program. I recently voted for the adoption of “Math Expressions” curriculum for K-5 and piloting the Prentice-Hall and Holt curriculum for older students. We avoided teacher layoffs this year because we listened to our community and protected the classroom.

I have lived in the Northshore School District for nearly 30 years and have been an involved parent and PTA volunteer for 17 years. I have been a substitute teacher, as well as a volunteer in schools and on school district committees. I served as PTSA president for five years and was PTA Northshore Council President for two years.

Re-elect Sue Buske to the School Board.

Julia Lacey
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Occupation: Certified Teacher, experienced: preschool – high school traditional and alternative classrooms.
Education: University of Washington – BA in Communication, University of Denver-Endorsed to teach 6-12th grade English.

Northshore has a reputation of educational excellence that benefits our children, property values, and community pride. However, the current school board’s lack of direction and closed door policy, evident in recent proposals and budget cuts, diminishes the quality of our schools and community.

Now is the time for a board that serves the community it represents. As the only candidate endorsed by the teachers, nurses, and office professional employee associations, I will enlist all communities involved because I value their contributions and trust their commitment toward bettering our district.

Now is the time for strong leadership to make decisions to lower class sizes and raise the level of education teachers can provide. My education experience and strong ties to my community prepare me to ask the right questions, collaborate effectively with all involved, and explore innovative solutions for improving our district while staying focused on student learning.

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

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Occupation: LSAT Instructor
Education: University of Washington, BA & JD

As an undergraduate and law graduate of the University of Washington and someone who has spent the last 11 years running a test preparation business, public education in Washington has always been very important to me. Being a mother of three children in the Northshore schools, I have been actively involved by volunteering in the classroom and serving on several PTAs. I am continuously impressed with the quality of the Northshore schools but grow increasingly concerned about the impact of state budget cuts. In this tough budget climate, I hope to be part of the process of mitigating the effects of these cuts. I am committed to help protect the core of what makes the Northshore School District strong. It would be an honor to build on my involvement in the district and to serve all of the school district community.
Northshore School District No. 417
Director District No. 5  (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: General Manager, CFO, Partner - Kenmore Air Harbor, Inc.
Education: Bachelor of Science in Economics, University of Oregon

Background: Resident of Bothell & Woodinville 14 years • Three students in district • Successful community businessman with management experience and financial expertise • Active community and school volunteer.

Our school district is challenged with unprecedented economic conditions and clearly needs (and tax payers deserve) strong financial management and accountability. Our community needs a School Board that’s accessible, transparent, and open to cooperative problem-solving. Our teachers need the resources to deliver excellent education in properly sized classes.

I offer leadership, vision, honesty, and integrity while embracing our district’s mission: Strengthening Our Community Through Excellence in Education. I’m committed to keeping our district financially healthy while protecting our property values, reputation and community pride. Our School Board needs a fresh voice! Let’s refocus on educating our kids, they’re our priority.

I welcome the opportunity to serve and will work diligently for our families. Endorsed by Washington State Attorney General – Rob McKenna

Cathy Swanson
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Occupation: Mental Health Counselor
Education: Bachelors’ of Arts from University of Washington; Masters’ of Sciences from Seattle Pacific University completion June 2010

I serve on the Northshore School Board because I believe in being involved in the Northshore community. My experience as a parent in the district and as a PTA and community volunteer has reinforced my belief in a strong public school system and I will continue to maintain the excellent schools for which Northshore in known.

During my eight years on the School Board I have fought for stable and adequate funding for public schools, and worked hard to make sure our legislators understand how their decisions impact our community.

I appreciate the feedback I receive from the community and I work hard to represent the best interests of all schools and all students. As a member of the Northshore School Board I am committed to discussing important issues in public, facilitating community input, and following through on commitments.

I would be proud to continue to serve the Northshore community.
Ronald Gehrke

No statement submitted.

David Maehren

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Occupation: Retired King County Sheriff Captain

During my current term the Northshore Fire department has dramatically improved our accounting system, received voter approval for a new headquarters station (construction began in September) and added a full time Medic 1 unit at the LFP station. With your support in the coming term I will focus on maintaining our quality service level despite reduced property tax revenue. The district assessed valuation will be reduced by 18% in 2010 due to falling home values. I will work to implementing best business practices, strong cost controls, utilization of strategic planning and foster additional regional collaboration. Thank you for your support.
Fire Protection District No. 27
Commissioner Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • unexpired 4-year term)

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Occupation: Attorney
Education: J.D., Seattle University

Fall City has been my family’s home for fifteen years. I am committed to serving you and maintaining our community as a unique and special place. I have over twenty-five years of management experience including service as a Commissioned Naval Officer, Compliance and Human Resources Manager, and Attorney.

In 2004, I was appointed to the Fire District 27 Board of Commissioners. The Fire District continues to evolve and meet the needs of the community while dealing with the challenges and opportunities that arise. Our firefighters respond to over 750 emergency calls each year. Our volunteers and career personnel need our continued support to keep their workplace safe.

I want our Fire District to operate in a fiscally sound manner while providing safe and efficient fire protection services to our families and property. I would like to continue as one of your three Fire Commissioners and I appreciate your vote.

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

Daniel E. Meredith
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Occupation: Utility Company Management
Education: UW - BS/MBA

As a Fall City fire commissioner, I am proud of the service and performance of our department. I will continue to seek funding and organizational changes that support further improvement of our ability to provide the consistent, high-quality service level that we have come to expect in our region. Our fire chief and staff continue to make great progress but they need our support to be ready to respond to every call with the best possible resources and training.
Toby Nixon
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**Occupation:** Microsoft senior program manager, former legislator, and open government advocate  
**Education:** Over 24 years experience building consensus on difficult technology, policy, and community issues

As our Fire District 41 Commissioner, Toby Nixon would:  
• Wisely use our property tax dollars and other district resources to ensure all areas of the district are well served, consistent with or exceeding state and national standards;  
• Ensure the integration of District 41 into the City of Kirkland after annexation goes as smoothly as possible;  
• Improve community outreach, particularly public education and training programs, to be ready for earthquakes and other major disasters;  
• Work with the Kirkland City Council and city staff to ensure public safety is properly prioritized among city services;  
• Improve transparency and access to district information, including establishing a district web site, so residents can be as aware of and involved in district business as they want to be;  
and,  
• Use his experience in the legislature to ensure proposed legislation positively affects our district and improves our fire and EMS services.

Thanks for your vote and support!

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**Occupation:** Accountant

I am running for Fire Commissioner to ensure the safety of our firefighters and to make sure they have the equipment they need to protect our lives and property. It is important to monitor the annexation talks with the City of Kirkland and maintain our levels of service. I have never sought Public Office before but would try hard to represent you to the best of my abilities. I have lived in the Fire District for 30 years. My family has been involved in fire departments since the Great Alaska Earthquake in 1964, Mount St. Helens in 1980 and my youngest son is a USFS Hot Shot who recently fought fires in Santa Barbara. I would appreciate your vote and support.
As a former EMT and firefighter, numerous community service commitments, and 30 years of business management and leadership, Tom Litchford has a unique combination of functional and practical experience to be best suited to serve as your Fire Commissioner. He’s endorsed by Chiefs Lambert (Duvall) and Dean (Seattle), and Commissioner Cebron (Woodinville Water District).

A resident of the fire district for ten years, Litchford has a passion for community service aimed at improving people’s lives — and the track record to back it. He is currently a director for the Medic One Foundation whose work is internationally recognized for developing world-class paramedic training and EMS programs for King County. Tom is also an advisor to the board for the Fair Factories Clearinghouse, an organization focused on improving human rights and environmental sustainability at factories around the world.

Litchford will bring a much needed new, collaborative and energizing voice to the WFLSD.

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Since election to the Woodinville Fire Board in 1998, I’ve had the privilege to provide strong leadership and direction that has culminated in: Restructuring the Budget and spending practices to allow for timely replacement of all Fire/EMS vehicles; Construction of a new downtown headquarters fire station; Increased on-duty staffing which led to reduced emergency response times and becoming a standards-based Internationally Accredited Fire Department; Expanded our Public Outreach Programs serving the needs of our aging residents, Northshore School District students and Disaster Preparedness training.

This progress was achieved through the efforts of good people and the Fire Board’s insistence on keeping taxpayer responsibility at/or many times, far below statutory collection limits.

These achievements matter to our community. I offer my 26 years of professional firefighting background and experience to effectively and efficiently serve the Fire/EMS needs of our community. I ask for your continued support.

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Dear Fellow Residents,

I respectfully ask for your vote on November 3rd to represent you on the Woodinville Fire Commission.

Fire services play a critical role in a safe and healthy community. Since my appointment to the Board of Commissioners in September 2008, my priority has been to ensure that Woodinville has an effective and efficient Fire Department that can protect the life, health and property of Woodinville residents. My dedication to this community is as strong as ever and there is more work to be done.

My family has lived in Woodinville for 22 years and this is where we chose to raise our family. As your Woodinville Fire Commissioner I will work to make our community a better place for you to live and raise your family too.

Please visit my campaign website, www.voteransom.com, for additional information on my background, experience and community involvement.

Sincerely,

Randy Ransom

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As one who lives and works in Woodinville, I care deeply about my community and am committed to making a difference. In my professional life, it has been my privilege to work closely with our local fire department personnel for over 12 years. I have enormous respect for the professionalism, compassion and integrity that I have witnessed during this time.

With 25 years of executive level management experience, including responsibility for multi million dollar budgets, statutory compliance and interpersonal relations, I am a strong, competent and no nonsense leader. I will work collaboratively with our current commissioners to make responsible decisions regarding the utilization of our available resources based on practical common sense and efficiency.

I ask for your vote of confidence in electing me for Woodinville Fire and Life Safety District Fire Commissioner, Position 5.
Woodinville Water District
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)

Sandra Smith
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Occupation: Small Business Owner and Manager
Education: Graduate Montana State University, Bachelor of Science Degree in Soil Science

After nearly a year of serving as an appointed Woodinville Water District Commissioner, I hope to continue to serve now as an elected representative to this position. Serving in this position has been a wonderful experience, and I have learned a great deal. As a business owner and home owner in Woodinville, I share the interests and concerns of the citizens and small business owners. My business is Hot Yoga of Woodinville, which I have owned since April of 2005. I teach classes and manage my studio and teaching staff. In the fall of 2007, I purchased a home in Woodinville. My background and education is in natural resources. I worked as a soil scientist and soil conservationist for 15 years in Montana. At heart I am just a gardener, and after a long wait, I finally have acquired a plot at 21 Acres, and I plan to enjoy planting there, and participating more and more in this great community of people.

Northeast Sammamish Sewer and Water District
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)

Paul Sentena
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Occupation: Commissioner NE Sammamish Sewer and Water District, 2008- present
Education: 35 year career in Information Technologies. Engineering, Management and Sales

I find that my technical background and experience managing people have served me well when making the many diverse decisions required of a commissioner.

Water: My goal is to continue to provide, safe, reliable, low cost water. The great tasting water that we enjoy must be protected. The conservation of our water supply and the environment that feeds it is key to meeting that goal.

Sewer: Approximately 65% of your total bill is for sewer. Managing our portion of the cost and working with King County to drive down their cost will be a major challenge in the future. We must take advantage of new technologies to control these costs.

The reliable sewer and water system that we all enjoy is easy to take for granted, but it takes constant attention and technical upgrades to keep it operating smoothly. I will work hard to see that it does.

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

Edward Cebron
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Occupation: Financial Consultant
Education: B.S. Harvard University (Engineering Science); M.S. Stanford University (Infrastructure Management)

It remains a privilege to serve as Woodinville Water District Commissioner. I will continue to work hard to control costs and rates, maintain the quality of utility service, encourage efficient use of water resources, and enable and enhance the professionalism and commitment of our dedicated District staff.
Al F. DeYoung

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Occupation: Property Investment and Management
Education: Bothell High School

Having been a resident of the Northshore area all my life has given me the opportunity to recognize the importance of making quality healthcare available on the Eastside. Thus, as a Commissioner on the Evergreen Hospital Board for many years, I have been able to work for and see Evergreen grow from a small Community Hospital into the major Medical Center that it is today. Evergreen now provides many services including Home and Hospice Care, the Family Maternity Center, the Outpatient Surgery Center, and new facilities for the Booth Gardner Parkinson’s Center and the Multiple Sclerosis Center. Evergreen is among only three Hospitals statewide to receive the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons. My goal as your Commissioner is to continue the work to see Evergreen provide a complete range of services for the community at an affordable cost to our taxpayers.

Charles A. Pilcher

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Occupation: Emergency Physician
Education: BS, Mathematics, Duke University; MD, University of Washington School of Medicine.

Throughout my 35 year career as an emergency physician I have been honored to be a part of Evergreen’s remarkable journey from a community hospital to a highly respected regional medical center. I now want to serve in an even larger role, as the only physician on the Board of Evergreen Hospital (KCPHD #2).

My experience in both medical and operational aspects of managing a healthcare organization, whether monitoring the quality of your care, budgeting, or working with architects on our state-of-the-art facilities, will be an asset to the Board, as we face the anticipated challenges of healthcare reform.

I recently retired as a full-time Evergreen emergency physician and was the ER Medical Director for most of my career. I have served as President of the Medical Staff and the “voice” of the highly successful “Yes for Evergreen” campaign to build the new patient tower. I was Medical Director of Evergreen Medics I for 15 years and was honored as Washington’s EMS Medical Advisor of the Year. In 2005 the Evergreen Hospital Commissioners presented me the District’s annual “Community Service Award.” I also serve on the Evergreen Healthcare Foundation Board.

I commit to you, our taxpayers, to keep the hospital’s tax rate as low as possible while providing affordable, consistent, and award-winning healthcare. As a doctor and community supporter, my goal is to insure that Evergreen is truly working "to enrich the health and well-being of every life we touch." I look forward to continuing to serve this superb organization by representing you on Evergreen Hospital’s Board of Commissioners.

I am endorsed by firefighters, paramedics, community leaders, Evergreen supporters, and hundreds of your neighbors. You yourself may have been one of my 100,000+ patients, and I trust that I have earned your respect, support, and your vote.

Rex H. Lindquist

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Occupation: Fire Chief
Education: Eastern Washington University

I believe my responsibility is to ensure King County Hospital District #2 (Evergreen Hospital Medical Center) provides quality care at reasonable costs. Evergreen is providing award-winning healthcare. Women and Family Health Services, Newborn critical care, and Hospice are just a few of the examples. The Physicians are first rate, working with great nurses. We have recently formed partnerships with Overlake Hospital to better serve the greater Eastside. As a lifelong resident and a Firefighter for over 30 years, I am committed that our Hospital be there for our children and us. It is important to use our taxes to improve the health of our community. During my term on the Board (since 1996), we have not increased the basic tax rate, but we have improved our level of care. Our tax dollars total about 4% of our operating budget and is all invested back into the community. I believe our Hospital should be run, as a Citizen Board not one that has Board members with special interests. A Citizen Board keeps us focused on our true needs. I will not be accepting money, asking for in kind donations or put up political signs. This important position should avoid the trappings of politics. I ask for your vote and support to continue our work to improve our healthcare. Our new buildings have been constructed to meet the growing needs for service. We now have a state of the art Emergency Department, which is reducing waiting times and makes us better prepared for disasters if they happen.
Mathew Pruitt  
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**Occupation:** Certified Human Resources Professional for a local utility district  
**Education:** MA in Public Administration, Seattle University; BA in Political Science, University of Washington

I am running for Park Commissioner because I want to work with our local leaders to maximize opportunities annexation to the City of Kirkland will bring to the Finn Hill area.  

When elected, I pledge to:  
* Protect the sensitive environment within the park district.  
* Preserve the character of our community by advocating for sensible, smart growth policies.  
* Ensure park rules are enforced fairly.  
* Make all decisions about the park district open to the public.  

With ten years of government service and experience working with elected officials, I am uniquely prepared for this position. I am involved in the community and sit on the church council at Holy Spirit Lutheran where I attend with my wife and two sons who love to feed the ducks at O.O. Denny Park!  

To learn more about me please go to my campaign website.  

I would appreciate your vote!
Houghton Community Municipal Corporation
Council Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

Rick Whitney
No statement submitted.

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

Betsy Pringle
Land-use decisions affect all of us. As Kirkland continues to grow and change, Houghton Community Council review of comprehensive plan and zoning code revisions provides an additional forum for citizen analysis. I believe this enhances the level of public debate and participation and makes for better land-use policies.

I appreciate the painstakingly careful consideration the community council gives to decisions that affect the families who live within our jurisdiction. I’m proud of Houghton’s contributions to the City of Kirkland, in the past, the present—and perhaps most importantly—in the future.

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

Bill Goggins
No statement submitted.

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

Lora M. Hein
No statement submitted.
John Kappler
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Occupation: Owner of an Architectural Firm Specializing in Housing
Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree from The College of Architecture from Kansas State University

I am a practicing architect and a business owner. Over the past 22 years I have been involved in the creation of many neighborhoods and homes in the Pacific Northwest. I have a good understanding of the built environment and the building and zoning codes that regulate them. During my past 3 years of serving on the Houghton Community Council I have had the opportunity to participate in the review of the Kirkland zoning codes that affect the Houghton community. I believe I have made a difference in balancing the regulations with the protection of property rights and the preservation of the community’s visual fabric that we all enjoy. I would appreciate your vote so that I may continue serving my community.

Elsie Weber
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The Houghton Community Council serves the important job of balancing progress, while maintaining a pleasant safe community to live and raise our families in.

Rezoning of vacant land has become less of an issue in recent years. The new and ongoing rezoning of properties already developed is changing the face of our community. As a council we work together with the city to make the best decisions for the residents of Houghton.

As a council member since 1988 it’s been my privilege to work for you, the residents of Houghton. VOTE to maintain your council and the character of your area.

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Education: Engineering

I am honored to serve the city of Kirkland and the Houghton community for land use recommendations, approvals and rare instances, disapprovals. Zoning has a direct impact on the community character. Without the Houghton Community Council, the neighborhood would have had many negative impacts over the years for unintended results. Paying attention to the neighborhood character and supporting residents and business means we absorb growth and improve the community. The Houghton Community council spends many volunteer hours to ensure that changes to zoning codes, comprehensive plans and new ideas such as tree ordinances are thoroughly reviewed and don’t impact the community negatively. I look forward to the continuation of the Houghton Community Council.
When the King County Charter was first enacted, the mechanics of moving seamlessly to a new form of government was a major concern. Article 9 of the Charter, entitled “Transitory Provisions,” by its own terms is “related to the transition from the existing form of government to the form of government established by this charter.” In 1992, the County government merged with Metro and Charter section 350.20.30 was added to deal with the merger process. As Charter government has been in place for almost 40 years and the Metro merger is complete, these provisions are virtually all obsolete.

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

Statement for

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Statement against

No statement submitted.
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
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 and to decide at an open public meeting how to proceed on the commission’s recommended charter amendments.

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

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Sarah Rinlaub, Tara-Jo Heinecke, Lois North
Vote “Yes!” for the Open Space Preservation Act. It amends the King County Charter to enhance protection for over 156,000 acres of land already owned or held in a conservation easement by King County.

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

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

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

www.openspaceamendment.org

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

Explanatory Statement

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

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

No statement submitted.
AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to Section 990 of the King County Charter; repeal of Section 350.20.30 of the King County Charter, regarding the county’s prior transition to a metropolitan government; and repeal of Section 900 of the King County Charter, Section 910 of the King County Charter, Section 920 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.10 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.30 of the King County Charter, Section 920.10.40 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.20 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.30 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.40 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.50 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.60 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.70 of the King County Charter, Section 920.20.80 of the King County Charter, Section 920.30 of the King County Charter, Section 930 of the King County Charter, Section 940 of the King County Charter, Section 950 of the King County Charter, Section 960 of the King County Charter, Section 970 of the King County Charter, Section 970.10 of the King County Charter, Section 970.30 of the King County Charter, Section 970.40 of the King County Charter, Section 970.50 of the King County Charter and Section 980 of the King County Charter, regarding the county’s prior transition to home rule charter form of government; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2009 general election.

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

Section 990. Transition.

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

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

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

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the county elections director, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:
Shall the King County Charter be amended to repeal Section 475, ’Work Programs and Allotments’?

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

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

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

King County Charter Amendment No. 3
Ordinance 16547 as amended by Ordinance 16599

Proposed No. 2009-0348.2  Sponsors Ferguson and Lambert

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

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

Section 800 Charter Review and Amendments.
At least every ten years after the adoption of this charter, the county executive shall appoint a citizen commission of not less than fifteen members whose mandate shall be to review the charter and present, or cause to be presented, to the county council a written report recommending those amendments, if any, which should be made to the charter. Appointees shall be subject to confirmation by a majority of the county council. This citizen commission shall be composed of at least one representative from each of the county council districts. The county council shall consider the commission’s report and recommendations, and decide at an open public meeting how to proceed on each of the commission’s recommended charter amendments, as provided by ordinance.

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

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 public council consideration of the charter review commission’s recommended charter amendments?

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

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

King County Charter Amendment No. 4
Ordinance 16600

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

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

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
SECTION 1. Findings:
A. King County has acquired interests in open space properties in the form of fee simple ownership, conservation easements and development rights. The county has done so using funds from various funding sources, including conservation futures taxes, Forward Thrust, real estate excise taxes, surface water management fees, the river improvement fund, the salmon recovery funding board, the interagency committee for outdoor recreation, voter-approved open space bond funds and state and federal conservation-oriented grants.

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

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

D. The county council wishes to provide enhanced protection of certain high conservation value, open space properties that King County currently owns, or in which the county owns a conservation easement or
development rights, without increasing current restrictions on the use of those properties or requiring the county to purchase additional properties.

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

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

Section 897. High Conservation Value Properties.

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

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

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

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

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

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

City of Kirkland
Proposition No. 1
Utility Tax

The City Council of the City of Kirkland adopted Resolution R-4771 concerning increasing the tax on electrical energy, natural gas, and telephone services. If approved, this proposition would authorize the City to increase the tax on electrical energy, natural gas, and telephone services from the current 6 percent to 7.5 percent in order to provide revenues to create a more sustainable budget for the purpose of maintaining existing services, including parks, public safety, neighborhoods and other city services. Should this proposition be approved?

☐ YES
☐ NO

Statement for

The economic downturn is devastating to cities—Kirkland is no exception. The city responded with significant cuts; we’ve lost 35 full-time positions, and our remaining employees agreed to forgo cost of living increases in 2010. But that isn’t enough.

Without the 1.5% utility tax increase, even deeper cuts will be required. Some examples: We will lose youth and senior programs, pedestrian safety efforts, and neighborhood traffic control programs. Roads will deteriorate, and overgrown shrubs will obscure intersections. Our beautiful parks, the pride of Kirkland, will languish; maintenance will suffer, litter will increase, and the quality of sports fields will decline. We will lose concerts in the parks and many lifeguards. Juanita Bay Park Rangers will lose city support for wildlife habitat protection.

To keep the present essential levels of service and to help stabilize our city’s revenue in the future, we are supporting this utility tax increase of $6.00 per month for an average household ($72 per year). It is estimated that this proposed utility tax increase of 1.5% would result in approximately a $6 increase per month per household ($72 per year).

If this Proposition is rejected, the City’s utility tax will not increase and service levels of parks, public safety, neighborhood, and other services would need to be reduced.

Vote Yes to Raise the Utility Tax by 1.5% — preserve Kirkland’s quality of life.

Rebuttal of statement against

Take the time to get the true budget facts at www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/budget.

Employee layoffs and pay reductions have already happened; the city has cut to the bone and drained critical reserves. Now it is up to us as a community to decide what level of service we want. We can invest this small amount in our city or let our town languish in disrepair.

Support Kirkland – Vote Yes to Preserve Our Quality of Life.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Sharon Sherrard, Tom Sherrard, Carolyn Hitter

Statement against

Are they kidding – a tax increase on people and employers who are struggling to pay their bills in this economy? Is government working for us or against us?

Council says they want to continue providing essential services at current levels. If they are sincere, essential services will continue to be funded regardless.

Using the city’s own service matrix that helps identify “core” services in a “sustainable” budget, at least $3.8 million can be saved without reducing services to citizens. It makes the $2.2 million tax unnecessary.

Council’s spending policies have gotten us into a growing $10 million hole, even more with annexation. Yet the Mayor said the citizens are capable of paying for it. His statement is reflective of the Council’s desire to take on more debt even when it’s not necessary. They denied us a vote then. Now they want it.

Public employee benefits will continue to grow. Ours will go down. Our services are already being reduced, even more with annexation. The council doesn’t want a “sustainable” budget. They want sustainable tax increases whether they’re essential or not.

Rebuttal of statement for

Council mismanagement created the devastation. Few employees lost their jobs, not 35. Be factual. Highly paid manager assistants serve the Manager, not citizens, and positions whose abridged responsibilities do not justify their cost should be reduced. For every assistant released, we could have 2 to 3 more city workers serving citizens.

Let’s restore unnecessary service cuts. More money for mismanagement reduces our citizens’ quality of life. Voting NO will improve it. We have budgets too.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Robert L. Style, Mike Nykreim
Statement for

The primary purpose of the Houghton Community Council (HCC) is to maintain the unique character of Houghton. The HCC was established in 1968 when the citizens of Houghton agreed to merge with the City of Kirkland. A key condition was that the Houghton neighborhood would retain an independent council with veto authority over land use regulations in the area comprising the former city and every four years the citizens of Houghton must vote to retain this important, and extremely rare, consideration.

When Houghton agreed to become a part of the City of Kirkland, the citizens recognized that it was vital to keep control over the land use within its boundaries to ensure the unique beauty and qualities of Houghton would be recognized and maintained, no matter what the City of Kirkland decided to do in the future.

Because of this, Houghton has remained the City’s most desirable community and vibrant neighborhood. The Houghton Community Council continues to prove its value and deserves our vote to continue for another four years.

We urge you to once again renew this unique provision by voting to keep this privilege that no other neighborhood in Kirkland holds.

Rebuttal of statement against

The main reason for the formation of the Houghton Community Council (“HCC”) 40 years ago still exists: to protect our neighborhood from undesirable land use decisions when Houghton doesn’t always have direct representation on the Kirkland City Council. We get this privilege at negligible cost as HCC members are volunteers utilizing Kirkland city staff and resources already in place. However, should this protection not be renewed, we lose it forever. Vote to retain the HCC.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Scott Mullet, Carl Bryant, Carol Buckingham

Explanatory Statement

In 1968 the Cities of Houghton and Kirkland were consolidated. The voters in Houghton also voted to establish within the former City of Houghton a community municipal corporation. Its governing body is the Houghton Community Council, composed of seven members elected for four year terms by the voters within Houghton. The Houghton Community Municipal Corporation also has a term of four years and then expires unless continued for an additional four years by majority vote of the electors within Houghton. The current four year term expires January 3, 2010, unless extended at the general election to be held November 3, 2009.

Under the Community Municipal Corporations law (RCW Ch. 35.14) the adoption, amendment, authorization or other approval by the Kirkland City Council of any ordinance or resolution applying to land, buildings or structures within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation becomes effective within Houghton only on approval of the Community Council or by failure of the Community Council to disapprove the ordinance or resolution within 60 days of its final enactment by the Kirkland City Council as to the following: comprehensive plan; zoning ordinance; conditional use permit; special exception or variance; subdivision ordinance; subdivision plat; or planned unit development. In addition to its disapproval jurisdiction, the Houghton Community Council also has authority to make recommendations to the Kirkland City Council and City Manager on any issues which may directly or indirectly affect the area within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation.

Statement against

The present Houghton Council serves little purpose and should be allowed to come to an end in January. It is a vestige of the prior City of Houghton which was merged into Kirkland over 40 years ago. Residents are already represented in the Kirkland City Council and require no additional representation in a duplicative separate body. Further continuation of the present Houghton Community Council, however well-intentioned is an unnecessary expense and an additional layer of government for land use questions in the Houghton area. Furthermore, the Houghton Council can delay land use considerations and perpetuate separate regulations with the affected area which are not standard with other Kirkland areas. The result is that the Council is an anachronism which has outlived its usefulness and needs to be abolished or allowed to expire or come to an end. We recommend voters cast their ballots accordingly against continuation of this body.

Rebuttal of statement for

Do away with this anachronism. We are already represented on City Council and the Planning Commission. There is no necessity to retain a duplicative body which adds time and expense and serves no present purpose. Forty years ago the Council provided a transition function. Today we should be fully integrated into the City and we don’t need wasteful unnecessary expense and delay which are a product of retaining this body. Vote no on Houghton Council.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: John Brightbill, Doug Jacobson
Finn Hill, Kingsgate and North Juanita Annexation Area

Proposition A
Proposed Annexation, Assumption of Indebtedness, and Adoption of Zoning Regulations

The City of Kirkland has adopted Resolution R-4763 calling for election on the annexation of the Finn Hill, Kingsgate and North Juanita Annexation Area. Shall the Annexation Area be annexed to the City of Kirkland and shall all property within the area annexed be assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as property within the City of Kirkland to pay for the outstanding indebtedness of the City; and, subject to zoning under Ordinance 4196?

☐ FOR ANNEXATION, ASSUMPTION OF INDEBTEDNESS, AND ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS

☐ AGAINST ANNEXATION, ASSUMPTION OF INDEBTEDNESS, AND ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS

Statement for

Vote YES on Annexation of Finn Hill, Kingsgate, and North Juanita into Kirkland!
Our communities have been part of Kirkland for decades. Annexation is the right choice for our neighborhoods. We'll receive better services without higher taxes.
Police coverage will increase (three officers in our area instead of just one deputy) and response time will be faster. We'll also have improved traffic enforcement.
Property taxes will be 14% lower in Kirkland. We can control our utility consumption and directly influence the amount of utility tax we pay. Total taxes will be somewhat lower for most families.
Government officials will be more accessible and responsive. If we're not being adequately served or want a law changed, it will be much easier to go to downtown Kirkland than to Seattle. We'll vote for all seven city council members, rather than just one county council member.
We'll have a stronger say in development. Zoning and development will be overseen and enforced by officials minutes away, with neighborhood input, rather than by a county council and departments in Seattle. We can serve on and influence the park, planning, design review, and transportation boards, and neighborhood associations.
Visit www.OneKirkland.org for more info, and Vote YES!

Rebuttal of statement against

Remaining unincorporated isn't an option. The state requires unincorporated islands like ours to join cities. We don't have the tax base to form our own city.
Kirkland, like governments at all levels, has budget challenges in this recession, but King County is much worse. County services will deteriorate further, such as closing our parks.
We don't want to be carved up by other cities! Keep our identity as part of the Kirkland community – Vote Yes!

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Toby Nixon, Ken Davidson, Jackie Pendergrass

Explanatory Statement

This Proposition seeks voter approval of the annexation of the area known as the Finn Hill, Kingsgate and North Juanita Annexation Area into the City of Kirkland. The annexation proposition includes assumption of indebtedness. This requires voter approval to assess and tax all property within the annexation area at the same rate and on the same basis as other properties within the City for the then-outstanding indebtedness of the City. It is also the City's intent to assume the indebtedness of King County Fire District 41. Beginning on the effective date of annexation, local public services currently provided by King County will be provided by the City of Kirkland. Also, upon annexation, all property within the annexation area shall be subject to the City’s zoning regulations as was determined through a public process prior to the Proposition being placed on the ballot. This Proposition will be authorized if the Proposition is approved by a 60 percent majority of the voters voting and the turnout represents at least 40 percent of the total number of votes cast in the area at the last general election.

Statement against

This annexation is a web of confusion. Police staff promised (2005) is down from 77 to 37. The majority of new officers will patrol existing Kirkland precincts, not the annexation areas. Without sheriffs, the King County parks and schools become “unprotected islands.” Changes to fire districts may cause slower response times or require bonds. Kirkland is STILL delinquent on promised services from 1988’s annexation.

Kirkland’s Finance Director says cash reserves are dangerously low. Reserves dropped from $7M to under $5M in 2009. Debt is many times greater than reserves. Indebtedness equals bonds and current growing operational debt. Utility Taxes are new, inconsistent, and have doubled in 2009. Taxes on water/sewer, MANDATORY garbage collection, cable, telephone, cell phone, natural gas vary from 6% to 10.5%. Most require NO voter approval for increases. Business taxes are expensive and not business friendly.
You lose the choice for incorporation or alternate city annexation. The effective date could be delayed years, delaying your right to representation.
You’ll be placing your faith in leaders that changed their standards on casinos, building/zoning codes, height limits, trees, growth density. More permits. Property rights are reduced. Is this a city government you want?
Do Better. Vote No. www.NoKirkland.com

Rebuttal of statement for

We’re your neighbors. We’ve got FACTS at www.nokirkland.com. Proponents omitted King County school officers, additional levies, and burdensome taxes needed to bridge response times.
Property taxes MAY decrease for some, but utility taxes and fees WILL COST EVERYONE MORE monthly. Promised services are over 2 years away. Millions in bonded debt and growing deficits are accepted day one.
Council is often unresponsive to its citizens; disregarded citizens from OUR neighborhoods.
Vote with your neighbors NO!

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Scott Brady, Robert Style, Katherine Winder
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)
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.
Voting in the November 3 General Election

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, 98033

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

Central
2301 S Jackson, 98144

Delridge
5405 Delridge Wy SW, 98106

Lake City
12525 28th Ave NE, 98125

Southeast
3815 S Othello St, 98118

University
4534 University Wy NE, 98105

Accessible voting centers

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

King County Elections-- New location!
9010 East Marginal Way S, Tukwila, 98108
Weekdays, October 14 – November 2:
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 31: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday, November 3: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

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

Seattle, Union Station 401 S Jackson St, Seattle, 98104
Friday, October 30: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, October 31: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Monday, November 2: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday, November 3: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
What is vote by mail?
Vote by mail is a method of distributing ballots in an election. Instead of using traditional polling places where voters go to cast ballots, a ballot is mailed to each registered voter. The ballot is then voted and returned to King County to be counted.

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

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

What if I make a mistake?
If you make a mistake, correct it using the instructions on the ballot.

How do I know if my ballot is received?
Visit www.kingcounty.gov/elections to track your ballot at several points as it is processed.

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

What if my ballot doesn’t come?
If you have not received your ballot by October 23, call us and we will mail you a replacement ballot.

Will my vote still count if I forget to put my ballot into the security envelope?
Yes, your ballot will still be counted.

When will election results be known?
Ballot counting cannot begin until election day. Initial results are released after 8 p.m. on election night and will be updated once a day in the days that follow until all ballots have been counted. Final certification of results will occur on November 24.
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.
Before any ballot is counted, trained staff compare the signature on every mailed ballot envelope with the signature on the voter’s registration.

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

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

Your role

› Take your time to carefully sign the voter oath on your return envelope.

› Keep your address current. If you move, let us know.

› Your signature is as important as your vote. Make sure it’s up-to-date.