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Susan Hutchison

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dow Constantine

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.
Graham Albertini

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I have the experience and the backbone to be the “Taxpayers’ Advocate” - as your next King County Assessor. My qualifications and experience are ideal to lead the Assessor’s Office. I have been a full-time appraisal professional since the age of 22. At age 26 I was promoted to manage a large appraisal department in Bellevue. I am one of fewer than 700 people nationwide certified to teach the Appraisal Standards course that all licensed appraisers must pass, and have trained many new appraisers - including some who now work in the Assessor’s Office. In addition to working as an appraiser, I serve as an instructor at North Seattle Community College and the Rockwell Institute, instructing my students that high standards are not negotiable.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Your support is appreciated.
King County Assessor
(nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)

Occupation: Seattle Port Commissioner and Small Business Owner
Education: BA in Economics, U of Wash.; Masters in Public Administration, U of Wash.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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 Assessor  
(nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)
King County
Council District No. 3  (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

Kathy Lambert

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.”

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

Julia Patterson

Occupation: King County Councilmember
Education: B.A. Society and Justice, WSU; B.A. English, UW

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

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

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

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

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

Julia Patterson - A RECORD OF RESULTS.
Reagan Dunn

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I work for you and would appreciate your vote.

Beverly Harison Tonda

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

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

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

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Occupation: Judge Ellington serves on the Court of Appeals.
Education: She received her law degree from UW in 1974.

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

Candidate Statement
Growing up in a large family, Judge Ellington learned to work hard and share the good things. She believes in respect and fairness toward those who appear before her, and strives for justice and clarity in her decisions. She is regarded as a fair, practical, and hardworking judge and has a reputation for integrity, intelligence, legal ability, compassion, and courage.

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

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

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

Endorsements
Supporters include 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.

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

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Occupation: Business lawyer specializing in corporate financings and cross-border transactions.
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Re-elect John Creighton: Effective Leadership, Real Reform
An independent, progressive thinker, John Creighton has championed family wage jobs, public accountability and environmental sustainability as your Seattle Port Commissioner. Committed to improving competitiveness and trade, John has worked effectively on transportation and freight mobility issues important to the region.

John understands that one out of every three jobs in the region is based on international trade, yet the Port risks falling behind in its ability to drive economic development in King County. That’s why he has worked hard to: • Increase the number of family wage jobs generated by Port operations. • Ensure that critical Port infrastructure is built, maintained and protected with the least burden to taxpayers. • Implement real reform of Port operations, including more accountable contracting, internal audits, stronger staff oversight, and better controls and procedures. • Strengthen the Port’s commitment to the environment. • Explore productive areas of cooperation with other ports and regional governments in the Northwest.

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

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

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

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

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Rob Holland For Port Commission
Direct Port Experience
Rob is the only candidate in this position with diverse, hands-on Port experience—a nearly two decade career working with shipping companies, trucking and freight firms, trade and development offices, and industrial real estate.
Rob is uniquely qualified to bring accountability and a renewed focus on job creation, community protection and environmental stewardship to build a world class Port that drives our regional economy.

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

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

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

Endorsements That Matter
According to The Seattle Times, “The Port Commission needs people who are smart, who will do the work, and who have a broad view of the public’s interest and how the Port fits into it. We endorse Rob Holland.”
Also endorsed by Sierra Club, King County Democrats; King County Labor Council; Rep. Adam Smith; more than a dozen legislators, Mayors of Kent, SeaTac, Burien; firefighters; business leaders and hundreds more...

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

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

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

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

Six unions who have labor contracts with the Port have raised over $120,000 to buy the Port Commission. David’s opponent is being supported by out-of-state labor organizations who want to control the Port. David is an independent voice, not someone in the back pocket of the union bosses. David Doud is running for the taxpayers of King County.
Port of Seattle
Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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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 Bellevue**

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

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**Occupation:** Healthcare Consultant; Municipal and Business Attorney; Bellevue College Trustee

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, University of Wisconsin 1983; Juris Doctorate, University of Wisconsin Law School 1986

I have been on the front line of major issues facing Bellevue: • Planning Commission chairperson, creating workable solutions to preserve neighborhood character, and transforming the Bel-Red Corridor to bring new jobs, parks, and affordable housing. • A Bellevue College Trustee, meeting students’ needs for a better future and regional businesses’ demands for skilled workers. • A municipal attorney, knowing what works and what doesn’t in local government. • An Overlake Hospital Foundation Trustee, helping to ensure quality, affordable healthcare in our own backyard.

An effective Council must address the future with innovative thinking and fresh perspectives. My opponent’s running for a 4th term – meaning 20 years on the Council. I’ll fight to bring light rail; keep taxes low; and effectively plan for our economic recovery.

Endorsed by Senators Jarrett and Tom; Representatives Cibbom, Eddy, Hunter, and Maxwell; Deputy Mayor Balducci; former Mayors Marshall, Mosher and Campbell; Washington Conservation Voters.

**Conrad Lee**
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**Occupation:** Boeing Engineer; Seattle Solid Waste Manager; Small Business Owner

**Education:** B. S. in Electrical Engineering, University of Michigan; MBA, University of Washington

Because we share many of the same values and concerns, you have elected me four times to be your voice. I am privileged to represent you as the most consistent vote for lowering taxes, cutting wasteful spending, and creating jobs. In the past ten years we cut Bellevue’s property tax rate 45% without sacrificing services. We transformed Bellevue into a vibrant destination for good jobs with quality of life second to none. Sound financial management has allowed us to invest in neighborhoods, parks, open spaces, needed infrastructures, community facilities and public safety needs. I was endorsed by our firefighters. Our public schools have consistently ranked among the best. I am accessible, accountable, and open. I am proud to be an “American by Choice” fighting for what too many take for granted – “Freedom, Liberty, and Justice for all!” There is more to do. I ask for your vote and your trust.

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

**Kevin R. Wallace**
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**Occupation:** President, Wallace Properties, Inc.

**Education:** Seattle University B.A.; Gonzaga University law degree, cum laude

Kevin Wallace is prepared to lead on the issues which matter most to Bellevue – fiscal responsibility, public safety and improved transportation options. Our future quality of life depends on having a Council making the right decisions in these areas.

Kevin will work to keep taxes, regulatory burdens and spending low. He will promote job growth in our business districts, protect the character of our single family neighborhoods, and support our excellent police and fire services.

Kevin has chaired committees within the YMCA, Chamber of Commerce and Bellevue Downtown Association. His experience as a practicing attorney and more recently as President of a family-owned commercial real estate company will bring strong business leadership to the Council.

Kevin needs your help to keep the Council focused on our priorities of economic competitiveness, excellent public safety and transportation choices. To learn more visit www.kevinwallace.com.

**Patsy Bonincontri**
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**Occupation:** Project Manager, Puget Sound Energy; former chairwoman, Bellevue Planning Commission

**Education:** B. Arch, University of Southern California

Appointed last year, I have served on our Bellevue City Council since April 2008. I have the experience and principles to continue the progress we have made, and to further all that Bellevue has to offer to its citizens and the Puget Sound region.

Bellevue has economic strength, safe streets, an excellent park system, diverse residents, an outstanding school district, emergency services, and a great environmental stewardship program—all paid for with one of the lowest tax rates in the State.

I want to build on those successes. Through my service on the City Council, I will continue to advocate for improving our quality of life, invest in human capital, upgrade our infrastructure to support anticipated growth, and keep taxes in check.

My endorsements include Representative Deb Eddy and the Women’s Political Caucus, and I appreciate your vote. Please join me in continuing to build a better future for Bellevue!
Michael Marchand

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Occupation: Director, Public Affairs - Microsoft Corporation
Education: B.A. Government, Franklin & Marshall College

We are at a critical time in history where we must step up in order to become a world-class city. This begins with more strategic thinking about what we want Bellevue to be and prioritizing what will get us there. If elected I will drive efforts to develop our global economic engine to bring in more business and jobs, establish a dynamic transportation system that supports our ever-increasing need for capacity, while continuing to enhance our unique neighborhoods and diverse cultural and recreational activities. I am excited by the opportunity that is before us. We can make this happen.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and for your vote.

Experience: • Current gubernatorial appointee to the Boundary Review Board for King County • Regional Public Affairs Director, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services • Deputy Communications Director for Gov. Gary Locke • Trained Mediator and Crisis Communications Expert.

Don Davidson

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Occupation: Dentistry
Education: Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Washington

Bellevue has benefited from leaders carefully charting a course from small town to the Eastside’s economic engine. City Councilman Don Davidson is one of those visionary leaders helping Bellevue thrive. Dr. Don Davidson has served Bellevue for over 30 years - from Chamber of Commerce President to Mayor, from building a local dental practice to being on the Bellevue School District’s Financial Advisory Committee and Board of Trustees for Overlake Hospital.

Dr. Don Davidson’s platform has served Bellevue well during his 22 years on the City Council - protecting taxpayers through fiscal accountability, strong support for our Police and Fire Departments, and preserving our neighborhoods.

Don Davidson is endorsed by ten other Bellevue Mayors, along with community club leaders across the city. Please visit www.reelectdondavidson.com for a complete list of the people supporting his re-election campaign - and please join them in voting for Don Davidson.
Mike Creighton
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Occupation: Commercial Insurance Sales and Management – retired
Education: University of Washington, BA in Business

Mike Creighton has been actively involved in Bellevue as a businessman and public servant, serving nine years on the School Board, two terms on the City Council and as Mayor. Recently appointed by the City Council to fill the vacant position, Mike now seeks to complete the remainder of the term to help shape Bellevue’s future.

Though proud of many prior accomplishments, Mike is focused on today’s issues, such as: correctly aligning Sound Transit’s Light Rail in Bellevue – improving road access to Downtown and the Bell-Red area – managing a significant revenue shortfall in the budget – prioritizing city services – protecting neighborhood character and livability while preserving property rights – and maintaining stable support for human services funding.

A proven leader with experience and energy, Mike Creighton looks forward to continuing work on important issues facing Bellevue citizens. Mike and wife, Julie, have lived, worked and raised their family in Bellevue since 1976.

Jennifer Robertson
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Occupation: Municipal and Land Use Attorney; Bellevue Planning Commissioner since 2003
Education: J.D., cum laude, Willamette Law (1993); B.A. (Economics), University of Puget Sound; Inglemoor High School

I am qualified and ready to represent you. Since 2003, I have worked on every major initiative in Bellevue as a Planning Commissioner and Light Rail Committee Co-Chair.

My top priorities are • strong neighborhoods • protecting police and fire services from across-the-board cuts to keep Bellevue safe • making wise transportation investments • keeping taxes low so Bellevue continues to grow jobs and our economy.

Bellevue Planning Commissioner since 2003; Chair during critical Bel-Red Update.
Co-Chair Bellevue’s Light Rail Committee: Established how Eastlink light rail can best fit Bellevue and the region. It’s crucial this 100-year project be “built right the first time.” I am the only candidate who has the experience to make this a reality.

My experience serving Bellevue and background as an attorney representing cities and fire districts makes me the best candidate to represent you.

Endorsed by Bellevue Fire Fighters.

Betina Finley
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Bellevue, WA 98009
425-922-9000
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Occupation: Small Business Owner, TurnKey Meetings
Education: B.A. - Seattle Pacific University

Bellevue is experiencing transformational growth and change. As our city matures, we need a fresh perspective on City Council. As a third generation resident, I provide a strong voice that is responsive to these changes.

I’m committed to advancing Bellevue’s high quality of life by preserving neighborhood integrity while also promoting sensible transportation solutions and sustainable economic development. I will bring together our neighborhoods, businesses and regional partners to support a thriving business sector.

My priorities: Enhancing public safety; Ensuring a sustainable city budget; Promoting transportation solutions that protect our neighborhoods; Placing Bellevue at the table on regional issues.

I have many years of experience serving our city on boards, commissions and committees. My children attend our exceptional public schools.

I will listen to diverse community perspectives, work through tough issues and get results. My email, phone and office door will be open to all.

I ask for your vote.
## City of Kent
### Mayor (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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<td>Mayor of Kent</td>
<td>BA degree, Western Washington University; business administration post-graduate work, University of Puget Sound</td>
<td>As Kent Mayor, I delivered on my promise to work with you to build a quality livable city for our diverse population. I initiated 17 <strong>neighborhood councils</strong> to improve communication and service. We have new businesses and safer neighborhoods and parks. With increased police patrols, burglaries dropped 30% and vehicle crimes dropped 47%. We built <strong>Town Square Plaza</strong> and <strong>ShoWare Center</strong> without increasing taxes. I've secured millions for <strong>railroad/street grade separations</strong> and <strong>Green River levees</strong>. With your support, I will continue to <strong>reduce spending</strong> to manage the budget through the recession while maintaining your priorities. Suzette Cooke’s 34 years of serving Kent residents include four as mayor, six as state representative, eleven as Kent Chamber of Commerce executive director, six as Kent Senior Center director, 26 years owning a Kent business, and charter president of Kent-Sunrise Rotary. <strong>Endorsed by Kent Police and Firefighters Unions. Municipal League rating: Outstanding.</strong></td>
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<td>PO Box 6454, Kent, WA 98064</td>
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<td>Owner, Golden Steer restaurant; former Director of Operations for Denny’s</td>
<td>Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, CA</td>
<td>I am running for mayor because our city needs more principled leadership in challenging times. Kent’s budget is in crisis. As mayor, <strong>my top priority will be getting the budget under control</strong> by prioritizing critical services and cutting administrative overhead. <strong>The current administration has increased annual spending on mayor’s office staff by $1 million.</strong> That’s not acceptable, especially in times like these. I will lead by example – <strong>my first act will be cutting the mayor’s office budget and giving back 10% of my salary to the city.</strong> As School Board President, I helped guide the district through similar challenges. By bringing parents, teachers, and students together, we came up with a plan to ensure our kids get a great education despite budget cuts. As a small business owner, I know what it takes to run a business and balance a budget. I’ll take those lessons with me to city hall.</td>
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<td>Attorney</td>
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<td>As a lifetime Kent-area resident, I am invested in our community’s future. Just as families are hurting and forced to do more with less in these tough economic times, our city should do the same. Now more than ever, strong leadership is essential. I will work to maintain critical city services while creating a sustainable city budget to ensure that future generations enjoy the same opportunities I have had. The key to strengthening our city is to keep and create jobs. As the daughter of small business owners, I understand the stresses entrepreneurs face as well as the vital role they play in our community. I will support our local businesses while making our community an inviting destination for new companies. To do this, we must ensure that businesses enjoy solid infrastructure, strong public safety, an educated work force, and a user-friendly permit system. <strong>Thank you for your support.</strong></td>
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### Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office • short and full term)

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

Dana Ralph
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Occupation: Small Business Owner - Medical Billing Service

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

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

Dennis R. Higgins
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Occupation: Information Technology Manager
Education: B.A., Geography, University of Washington

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

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

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

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

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

Elizabeth Albertson
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Occupation: Executive Director, Communities in Schools of Kent
Education: BA degree, Public Policy and Community Leadership

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

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

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

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

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

Geoff Koepp
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koepp4kentcouncil@comcast.net

Occupation: Financial Planner
Education: B.A. degree in business

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

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

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

Vote for substance over talk. Vote for commitment over absence. Vote for a change. Elect Koepp.
City of Kent
Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

Robert McSeveney
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Occupation: Judge
Education: Seattle University

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

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

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

Glenn M. Phillips
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Kent, WA 98030
253-740-7091

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

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

I would appreciate your consideration and your vote. Thank you.
Jim Flynn
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Maple Valley, WA 98038
206-948-0168
jimflynnlovesmv.com

Occupation: commercial property and economic development management
Education: Tahoma High School, Washington State University (BA), and Seattle University School of Law (JD)

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

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

I will do the “heavy lifting” needed to make living in Maple Valley a “life-long” experience.

Please see my website at: jimflynnlovesmv.com.

Bill Allison
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Occupation: Small Business Manager
Education: North Central University

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

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

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

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

Get more information: www.bill2009.com

Erin Weaver
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Occupation: community advocate and former educator
Education: BA in Ed in math and physics, minor in history from Western Washington University

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

Our future success will require collaboration and partnerships. My wide-ranging community involvement assists me in bringing people together. This includes; Chair of the Planning Commission; previous City Council service; participation in Tahoma School District; PTA’s; Fire District Advisory committee; Communities That Care; soccer and scouts.

I am privileged to be endorsed by the local firefighters and police unions.

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

David Pilgrim
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Occupation: Hardware Store Manager
Education: Purdue University - BS in Computer Science

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

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

Please vote Pilgrim on November 3rd.
Victoria Jonas
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Maple Valley, WA 98038
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www.victoriajonas.com

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

**Education:** South Seattle Community College

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

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

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

Endorsements: Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen, King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, State Representative Jay Rodne, and former Maple Valley City Councilmember Chuck Hardaway.

Join your friends and neighbors in re-electing Victoria Jonas.

Stanette Marie Rose
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**Occupation:** Investment Executive and Financial Advisor

**Education:** San Francisco State and UC Berkeley

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

Hometown Maple Valley is a wonderful place to live, work and play. As your new Council Woman, I promise to always listen to you. Thank you for the opportunity to serve our home town.
Rich Crispo
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Occupation: Retired Boeing Executive
Education: Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering from Villanova University and Masters in Business Administration from City University

I want to increase the involvement of our residents in decisions affecting Newcastle. Many recent City Council actions have had minimal public input. Council decisions regarding a new City Logo and signage, budget priorities, elimination of funds for trails and open space, and a vision that more closely resembles downtown Bellevue than our current bedroom community are among them.

I want to see better expenditure control and accountability, more citizen input on major issues, enhancing the integration of Newcastle and nature through open space and trails, review of the downtown plan, and establishment of positive relations with downtown businesses and property owners.

I retired from Boeing after 28 years. I have managed yearly budgets in excess of $100M and directed organizations over 750 strong. I am currently active with the Newcastle Trails and Weed Warriors, Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, Director of my HOA, and a frequent contributor at Council meetings.

Karin Blakley
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Occupation: Financial Advisor, District Manager, Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor
Education: BA University of Washington, Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa Honorary

Most of you have busy lives with many commitments and obligations – too busy to be actively engaged in local politics. You need city council members who will listen to your interests and concerns and respond with intelligence, sensitivity, and common sense. I have the background, interest, and commitment to serve you in that capacity.

As a long-time resident, I’m vitally interested in Newcastle’s future. Besides being a local business woman with over 25 years of work experience including business, management and finance, I’m a proud UW graduate, and a married mom with two sons in public schools. I’ve served in leadership positions on the boards of numerous nonprofit organizations, including as President of Hazelwood PTSA.

My interests are your interests. A vibrant downtown, trails and open spaces, parks, and promoting a unique sense of community while at all times maintaining fiscal responsibility. I look forward to representing you.

Bill Erxleben
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vote4bill.org

Occupation: attorney/business executive; former CEO Data I/O Corporation, Redmond
Education: B.S, Miami University; Law Degree and Sloan Executive Business Fellow, Stanford University

From 2002 to 2007, I had the pleasure of serving on Newcastle’s City Council. During this period, I supported a dynamic build-out of the City’s infrastructure: new schools, a YMCA, new parks and trails, completion of Coal Creek Parkway, and a new library. Now economic conditions have dramatically changed. The City is facing a budget crisis with continuing annual deficits totaling more than $3,000,000 over the next five years.

Tough economic times require experienced people on the council. If we are to avoid a crushing tax burden or a dramatic cut back in services, we must adjust priorities and control city spending. Because of my extensive background in managing businesses and governmental agencies during challenging times, I was asked by civic leaders to run again for the council. With good fiscal management, I am confident that Newcastle has a bright future. I ask for your support in keeping Newcastle an affordable family-oriented community.

Kandy Schendel
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Occupation: President of National Non-Profit Company, Entrepreneur, Investor, Volunteer Leader
Education: Bismarck State College, North Dakota – Majored in Business and Music Education

Endorsed by State Representatives Marcie Maxwell and Judy Clibborn, Mayor Varon, Seahawks Sportscaster Tony Ventrella, and Community Leaders. As a 16-year resident, everyone recognizes me as a straight-shooting, bottom-line leader who listens. I have substantial fiscal expertise as a national nonprofit company president, with Vulcan and Microsoft experience, as Chair of Newcastle Planning Commission, and state and local PTA leadership. See video endorsements at www.KandySchendel.com!

My style differs dramatically from my opponent. In six years on the Council, he was continuously disrespectful to city staff, councilmembers, and the public, including skateboarders and parents. He voted against Coal Creek Parkway improvements and says Newcastle wasted money bringing the YMCA here. I disagree. I respect everyone, without assuming the “loudest” is right. My vision ensures a vibrant downtown, more retail, and less financial burden on homeowners. I would be honored to be YOUR Voice on Council.
It is an honor again to have the opportunity to serve the citizens of Newcastle. I previously served on the council from 1994 through 2007, including two consecutive terms as Mayor.

During my tenure, I worked judiciously to listen to the needs of the community. I championed public safety and secured funding for all phases of the Coal Creek Parkway expansion. Most importantly, I served as an effective steward of Newcastle’s finances, advocating for a reserve fund that is proving vital in this troubled economy.

Newcastle is projecting a significant deficit for 2009. This could have been avoided. I am running to restore fiscal accountability and to get Newcastle back on the road to sustainability. Now, more than ever, citizens deserve a leader who will ensure that today’s financial decisions don’t adversely impact the city tomorrow—all without defaulting to unnecessary tax increases.

Thank you.

(see website for endorsements)

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Occupation: Retired consultant, land use planning and impact analysis
Education: B.S. in Chemistry from Penn State, graduating cum laude

As a Newcastle councilmember and former Mayor, I feel responsible to all residents to build a safe, livable community. I helped obtain police and fire services, sidewalks and traffic calming, Coal Creek Parkway improvements, a transit center, a full-service YMCA, a library to be built next spring, and parks, trails, and open space.

My 30-year career managing the impact analysis of major projects, such as Seahawks Stadium, gives me the know-how to tackle city issues. I also have leadership positions on three regional committees whose decisions affect Newcastle.

I request your vote to enhance Newcastle’s quality of life. I will focus city spending on high-priority services, keep property tax down by promoting distinctive downtown development (not the strip-mall retail my opponent wants), and use my regional contacts to attract grant funding.

Endorsed by Newcastle’s state legislators, Mayors of surrounding cities, and many organizations and residents!
City of Renton
Council Position No. 1 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: Aircraft Safety and Certification Manager
Education: Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, UC Davis

Randy Corman, Renton’s most senior councilmember, brings a wealth of experience to the job. As 2009 council president he is working closely with council and mayor to keep our community thriving even in a global downturn. Randy has always been a leader in redevelopment efforts such as the Landing, IKEA center, downtown Renaissance and auto-mall, and these improvements have helped Renton stay afloat in difficult times. Randy is careful with our money; he set aside funds in good years which we are tapping now to maintain services.

Randy has served on every council committee, been elected council president three times, and serves on regional transportation teams. He also manages safety and government approval of aircraft for Boeing, and works directly with governments throughout the world. He and his wife Cathy have five children, two of them married, all living in Renton. He communicates daily with the public at www.randycorman.com.

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

Jim Flynn
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Occupation: Retired Electrician, E Commerce
Education: Apprenticeship Electrical JATC, Basic and Advanced Electronics ICS-Intext Seattle WA

Flynn will offer his unique perspective as your representative to The City of Renton. He worked his entire career as part of a problem solving team. His experience has given him firsthand knowledge of the intricacies of a municipal service provider for highway, aviation and marine transportation systems. A skilled tradesman, Master Electrician and businessman he always demonstrates an active willingness to share his knowledge and experience with others.

Jim and his wife Lynette have lived in the same house for twenty-eight years where they raised three children, and are proud City of Renton residents. Flynn likes working with people. He feels that there are better solutions to the city’s temporary financial crisis.

Flynn’s endorsements include: • KCDCC • Sen Margarita Prentice • IAM-751 • IBEW-46 • UA-32 • 11th & 47th LD Dem Org. You can learn more about Flynn’s campaign at: http://www.voteflynn.com.

Rich Zwicker
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Occupation: Renton City Councilmember; Renton Technical College Trustee; Attorney General’s Office
Education: Renton Technical College, 1989 and 2009

As your councilmember, Rich has proven he has Renton’s best interests at heart. A lifelong Renton resident and dedicated community leader, Rich brings experience and enthusiasm to his work on the Renton City Council.

A fixture at community events, Rich brings his leadership and community passion directly to Renton residents as he focuses on public safety, neighborhoods, efficient government, responsible growth and equal rights for all.

Rich’s ability to work with others has forged dynamic partnerships enhancing Renton’s position as a regional power through his service on many regional committees.

Rich is endorsed by Mayor Denis Law, the entire Renton City Council, along with Renton’s Police and Firefighters. He has also received broad bi-partisan support and endorsements from many civic and community leaders and citizens.

Rated “Outstanding” by the Municipal League, Rich will continue to give you effective leadership on the Council.

Rich appreciates your support and vote this November.
City of Renton  
Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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Occupation: General Contracting President  
Renton is a great community but these are challenging times. As a council member in the next few years there will be tough decisions made on city service priorities. I have been involved in making those decisions and will continue to work for our citizen’s benefit.

After joining the Council in 2000, I am proud to say that we are making real progress on critical issues such as economic development, neighborhood planning and transportation. One of the great achievements of this type of work is creating successful partnerships between the city and the communities. My priorities include continued engagement of the community to enhance our neighborhoods through planning and community services, revitalization of the Renton Highlands, economic development and transportation.

As an experienced councilmember, I have served as the Chair of the Community Services Committee and Vice-Chair of Planning and Development where I have worked hard to solve tough issues.

The City of Renton is facing important changes and I am excited about the opportunity to return and serve you. We have made great accomplishments and with your support, I will continue to bring a common sense approach to Renton.

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

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Occupation: Renton Municipal Court Presiding Judge  

It has been ten years since I was appointed to the Renton Municipal Court bench. I am as excited about moving into this next term as I was when I was initially appointed in 1998. The Renton Municipal Court is a place where members of our community and visitors come to resolve a variety of civil and criminal matters. It is our continuing goal to provide a court where individuals can expect quality customer service, an opportunity to be heard, and a fair and impartial judge deciding their individual case. To assist me in accomplishing this goal, the court is staffed with professional employees who share my dedication to excellence. Working together with these fine dedicated public servants we move into this next term with great enthusiasm. Thank you for your continued support. I am humbled and honored to serve as your city judge.

Renton School District No. 403*  
Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

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

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

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

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

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

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Occupation: Renton School Board Director  

Pam Teal was appointed to the Renton School Board in February, 2009, to fill a vacancy. She is now running for a full term of her own. Pam is truly a leader in Renton education circles. She has been volunteering for the past 13 years in numerous PTA leadership roles, including Renton Council President. Pam currently chairs the Education Committee for the Renton Chamber of Commerce, and is on the Renton Community Foundation’s Board of Directors.

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

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

* No statement or photo was submitted for the following candidate:  
Director District No. 2 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)  
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**Occupation:** Research Assistant, School Board Member  
**Education:** Bachelor of Arts from Loyola University, Chicago

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.

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

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**ACCOUNTABILITY** o **ACCESSIBILITY** o **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.

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**Occupation:** Banking Center Manager for Bank of America  
**Education:** Bachelor's degree from Western Washington State College

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: Office Manager  
Education: Associate Degree, Bellevue College

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

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Occupation: Parent, Math Teacher, Art Docent, Soccer Coach, Girl Scout Leader  
Education: Bachelor of Science & Master of Science in Secondary Math Education

As a parent of 2 children, an experienced math educator, and the Lake Wilderness Art Docent program co-chairperson, I bring a unique and necessary perspective to the Tahoma School Board. I have spent my entire adult life committed to the education and development of children, including 7+ years teaching secondary and college level math. Recently, my community volunteer efforts were recognized with the PTSA Golden Acorn award. I would consider it a privilege to represent and serve you as a school board member. I will ensure the district’s focus remains on meeting the educational needs of the entire spectrum of our district’s students. I will maintain the high standards that our children need to compete today and prepare for tomorrow. I am committed to building a strong representative school board, drawn not just from business, but also including an educator’s perspective to balance what is both fiscally and educationally valuable.

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Occupation: Director, Training Development - The Boeing Company  
Education: Executive Masters Degree - Business Administration, University of Denver; Bachelor of Science - Aviation Technology, Purdue University

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

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

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

**Education:** BA Managerial Economics BYU; JD UW School Of Law

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

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

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

Marnie Maraldo

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

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

Our district needs to focus resources to meeting the needs of students across the education spectrum, closing the achievement gap, and providing innovative options for our students who show a special aptitude. We should have clear educational tracks allowing for a variety of career paths, giving our students a sense of value with their vocational choice.

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

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

Chad Magendanz

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

**Education:** BS in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University, U.S. Navy Nuclear Power School, Microsoft Certified Professional

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

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

**Experience:** Washington Online Learning Advisory Committee, WSSDA Technology Advisory Group, PTA Outstanding Advocate, Stand for Children Team Leader
Lake Washington School District No. 414
Director District No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 4-year term)

Nancy Phillips Bernard

Occupation: WSDOH IAQ/School Environmental Health & Safety Program Manager
Education: Master of Public Health, BS - Environmental Health, BA - Health Education

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.

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

Julie Wright

Withdrawn

Doug Eglington

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Occupation: Senior Policy Analyst/Cultural Resources Specialist, King County
Education: BA, Political Science, Whitman College and Masters in Public Administration, University of Puget Sound

As the incumbent in this school board position, I stand for a school system where our children learn to read, write and compute. I work for an education system that provides our children with tools to think critically, value hard work and become better citizens. I strive to make Lake Washington School District an effective organization. For example, faced with the recent challenge of cutting our budget by $7-8 million due to state budget shortfalls, we asked our parents and taxpayers for their ideas for balancing the district’s budget. With this guidance, we crafted a budget that maintained reasonable class sizes and saved teacher jobs.

I received the PTSA’s “Golden Acorn” award (Sammantha Smith Elementary) and the award for outstanding community service for education and children (LWPTSA Council). Under my leadership as president, our board was named Washington school board of the year.

A twenty-three year resident of Sammamish with my wife Shari, I am the father of two adult children. Both are graduates of Eastlake High School, giving me experience as a parent with the school district at every level. My job as a senior policy analyst for King County gives me perspective on effective management of large organizations.
Bill Boyce
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It has been an honor to serve as your board member for the last 14 years. Throughout that time, our school district has seen tremendous growth and rich diversity changes. We have successfully addressed challenges such as improving instruction, revising curriculum to ensure that it is up-to-date, maintaining and constructing efficient facilities, and providing programs which meet needs of all students and bridge the achievement gap.

Given continual challenges relative to state funding, it is critical we bring together expertise from parents, community, and staff. I look forward to continuing to serve you as we build on the excellent partnerships we have with PTAs, the cities of Covington and Kent, and local service clubs. I ask for your support—working together we will make sure our kids are well prepared for their future.

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

Tim Clark
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Occupation: Kent City Councilmember; Adjunct Faculty Highline CC; Retired Public School Teacher
Education: Seattle University, BA; Pepperdine University, MA; CWU Principal's Certificate

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

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

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

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Occupation: Director, Geopolitical Analysis - Energy & Environment, Boeing Commercial Airplanes
Education: B.A., Political Science, Wheaton College, Illinois

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

No statement submitted.

David Pitkin

Bellevue, WA 98006

I am interested in serving my community both in ensuring sustainable effective services and efficient management. I work from my home in the Eastgate area and take great pride in our neighborhood.

Occupation: Business Owner / CEO / Software

Education: BA in Computer Engineering and more

Ralph Heyward

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I am now running to make certain your tax dollars are managed properly and that you continue to have the best trained fire-fighters and Medic One personnel to provide life-saving medical care and fire protection for all residents and businesses served by King County Fire District # 14.
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**Occupation:** Retired- Biopharmaceutical Sales
**Education:** St. John’s University BS Pharmacy, MS Hospital Pharmacy Administration

Fire protection, safety, rapid response and emergency preparedness are very important. I am a pharmacist and a 28 year resident in the community and very focused on these issues. It is important District 14 continue to provide the stellar services to the unincorporated Eastage and Hilltop areas of King County. As Fire Commissioner for District 14, I will insure that this occurs. I have always been active in civic and community causes. I am presently on the governing Board of Trustees for Seattle Children’s Hospital. I was also President of the Somerset Community Association, and served on the Board of the Bellevue Schools Foundation, Youth Initiative Task Force, and Bellevue Downtown Park Master Plan-Citizen Advisory Committee.

I pledge that I will work diligently for you. It would be an honor to be your Fire Commissioner.

Thank you for your vote.

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**Occupation:** Contract Negotiator
**Education:** BA International Relations

I want to ensure that our neighborhood receives the best possible fire protection services for our tax dollars. While the primary function of the Commissioners is to pay our tax receipts to the City of Bellevue for these services, the amounts to be paid are part of King County law and are not at the discretion of the Commissioners. The Commissioner position is administrative, requiring an ability to understand and follow King County regulations. As a contract negotiator for T-Mobile, I have considerable experience working within a complex regulatory environment in a legally demanding setting. While I have never before sought elected office, I have volunteered extensively including training under fire department personnel to become certified as a community emergency responder. Last year my wife, Claudia, and I chose this neighborhood for our home, where we will raise our four-year-old daughter, Carolyn Rose. I look forward to serving our community.
Fire Protection District No. 20
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Skyway has been my home since 1986. I have served as a volunteer firefighter for nine years and as one of your Fire Commissioners since August 2002.

Thanks to your support, we have completed our station remodel and training center, replaced aging equipment and modernized our communication systems. Our training program is well regarded among other Fire Departments.

Your Fire Department is staffed by the most dedicated professionals (both Career and Volunteer) that I have ever known. They serve you 24/7: emergency responses, disaster preparedness and community education. As commissioner I will continue working with them to efficiently deliver these services.

Our community continues to face many challenges. Your Fire Department is one tool to help meet these challenges. I ask for your vote on Election Day.

Fire Protection District No. 25
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Occupation: Firefighter

Having served as your Fire Commissioner for the past 11 years, I will continue to work alongside the other two commissioners and the City of Renton to ensure the citizens of our district continue to receive the highest quality of fire protection. I would like to thank you for your support and hope to continue serving you in the future.
Fire Protection District No. 37
Commissioner Position No. 1  (nonpartisan office • unexpired 2-year term)

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Occupation: Manager, A-1 Fire Equipment, Fire Sprinkler Engineer, Electrical Administrator
Education: Queen Anne H.S., Seattle, North Seattle Community College, National Fire Protection Association

Vote for Pat Dillon Fire Commissioner Position 1
My Opponent:
Opposes the public to participate at public meetings
When given a choice between a white male, a person of color and a woman (All equally qualified) for a commissioner vacancy, on President Obama’s Inauguration Day, voted against diversity.
Under his direction there are no people of color in the fire department command positions.
Pat Dillon will promote diversity in command positions and recruitment of fire department personnel.
Pat Dillon has worked with the Civil Rights Movement, Farm Workers, the Urban League for diversity awareness.
With over 120 different languages spoken and over 40% are people of color in our district, I will be honored to serve as the first Native American fire commissioner for Fire District 37.
I have been in fire protection for 23 years,
I will bring Change to Fire District 37.
Vote for Pat Dillon

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Occupation: Operations manager, international transportation
Education: University of Puget Sound, B.A. Business Administration

Involved: Community Emergency Response Team trained. Volunteering nearly 1200 hours in Kent Fire Department Emergency Management supporting citizen outreach, volunteer organization, and emergency communication. I have gained an understanding of what it takes to deliver emergency services to our community.
Experienced: Appointed to fill a Board vacancy, I currently serve as one of your Fire Commissioners. A Fire Commissioner is your link to the Department, working with leadership to spend your taxes wisely.
Committed: To represent you better, I have attended educational seminars for Fire Commissioners. Representing you, I have attended 100% of Board meetings.
Future: Growth will continue in our District. With growth comes the need to develop and implement creative opportunities, ensuring the outstanding services we receive from our Fire Department continue into the future.
Please help maintain committed consistency on your Board by retaining Allan Barrie as your Fire Commissioner.
Endorsement: Kent Firefighters, IAFF Local 1747

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

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Occupation: Retired-Manager, Electrical Wholesale Distributor
Education: High School Diploma, 1 ½ years college

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

In April 2008 I applied for the vacant Position 3 Commissioner opening that resulted from the Benson Hill Annexation and was selected to fill out the term. Since that time, I have been active in three work groups of the 5-member Board of Commissioners: facilities, community relations, and risk management. I am seeking a full term for Position 3 in this election. I pledge to continue working diligently for our customers in FD 40 regarding monitoring levels of service, spending funds wisely, managing the assets of the District, and responding to citizen’s questions and concerns. I will also maintain regular discussions and visits with the City of Renton firefighters who provide fire protection and emergency medical services to us through a contract with FD 40. Your vote for me for Position 3 Commissioner of FD 40 would be much appreciated.

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Occupation: Employee Involvement Facilitator
Education: Bachelors of Arts - University of Washington, Associates of Arts - Green River Community College

For the past 6 years it has been my honor and privilege to serve our community as one of your Fire Commissioners. We have made sure that our community’s level of service has remained constant for us to be safe and secure. I have served on the Risk management, Budget, and Policy committees; in those positions I have strived to make sure that all we do is in the best interest of our community.

Over the last 3 years I have served on the Washington Fire Commissioners Association’s legislative committee. We have worked closely with the State Council of Fire Fighters and Washington Chiefs Association on legislation that affects all of our communities.

It is with great pride that Local 864 has shown their confidence and trust in my abilities to serve as your Fire Commissioner by endorsing me for my re-election.
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It has been my privilege to serve the citizens of this Fire District as one of three Fire Commissioners for the past twelve years.

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

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

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

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Occupation: Lead Civilian Fire Inspector with Renton Fire Department since 1979
Education: AA Degree in Fire Science from Bellevue Community College

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

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

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

Commitment:
During this time of economic struggle and change for KCFD #43, I am qualified to take a leadership role on the Board of Fire Commissioners. Our goal should be to continue to provide the best possible fire service utilizing responsible budgeting practices.
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Occupation: Boeing Property Accountant Specialist; Master Sergeant, US Army Reserves, Retired.


Sam Amira, a district resident for 23 years, was appointed to fill a vacant Water District 90 Board position in July 2008 and is now running for election to a term of his own.

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

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

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

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Occupation: Hydrogeologist

Education: B.S. Geology, M.S. Hydrology

Coal Creek Utility District customers expect and deserve an efficient, well-run, safe, and reliable water and sewer system despite the difficult economic outlook. As a business owner, I understand the need to do more with fewer resources and to always look for ways to gain efficiency while maintaining the high level of service and responsiveness that makes Coal Creek Utility District an exceptional organization. I ask for your vote so that I may continue to be a representative and an advocate for those of us who are served by the district.
Cedar River Water and Sewer District
Commissioner Position No. 3  (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Occupation: Transportation Manager
Education: AA Green River Community College

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

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Occupation: Financial Accountant at The Boeing Company
Education: MBA in Accounting at University of Phoenix, BA in Accounting at Seattle University

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

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

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

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

Jon Ault

As a longtime resident of this community and your Commissioner for the last 12 years, I understand regional water and sewer issues and how they affect us all. I consistently work to balance water quality and availability with the lowest possible cost to the consumer. I am currently a member of the Cascade Water Alliance (CWA) Board of Directors and am President of the Skyway Water & Sewer Board of Commissioners. I have the knowledge and experience needed to continue serving your interests in the years to come. Thank you for your vote.
Soos Creek Water and Sewer District
Commissioner Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office • 6-year term)

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Occupation: Former owner/Vice President of Northwest Document Services, Inc.
Education: Associate of Arts Degree, Water/Wastewater Technology major

As an incumbent Commissioner for Soos Creek Water and Sewer District, I have been committed to the success of the district for the past 24 years.

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

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

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

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

Connie J. Sullivan
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Occupation: Teacher 30 years, retired
Education: BA in Education

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

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

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

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Alice has 29 yrs experience in the water and sewer field as a Soos Creek Water & Sewer District employee for more than 25 yrs and currently as Administration Supervisor for King Co Water Dist 111. She is committed to preserving a tradition of excellent customer service while balancing the needs of the District.

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

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

Occupation: Educator & Author

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

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

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

Mike Miller

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Occupation: Senior V.P. Valley Bank
Education: B.S. Washington State University in Business Administration

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

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

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

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

Aaron Heide

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Occupation: Dr. Heide’s an outstanding neurologist, who founded Valley’s stroke center.
Education: Born and raised in King County, Heide is a graduate of U.W. Medical School

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

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

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

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

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

• Check out www.heideforvalley.com for more about our campaign.
If you want open and honest governance, I would appreciate your vote.
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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.

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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 Medici 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.

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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.
East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation

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

Michael Elwin

No statement submitted.

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

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I have lived in Lake Hills for over 50 years and participated in the development of the community through the Lake Hills Community Club and, for a time as a Lake Hills Sewer District Commissioner.

To keep the family oriented character of our Lake Hills area in King County, we fought many zoning proceedings as the county began granting zoning that was changing the family friendly character of our community. I campaigned to annex to Bellevue where we were offered the option upon annexation, of a new legal protection, ‘The East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation’ (aka. EBCC), to help us retain control of our neighborhood character. The ‘EBCC’ has worked effectively to maintain our community, as one of the best for living and raising a family. And we will continue that work on your behalf.

It’s a 2-step Vote: 1) Continue the EBCC; and, 2) please VOTE for “Ken Seal”

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

Steve Kasner

No statement submitted.
Rich Erwin

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**Education:** BSME: Purdue University, ’85 / MBA: Seattle University, ’93

East Bellevue is a community that both concentrates and highlights the mosaic of ethnicities, cultures and economic status available throughout the Eastside as a whole. We welcome changes that benefit the community, but want to maintain the family-friendly character of our neighborhood.

As your representative for the East Bellevue Community Council, I will work to ensure that what’s best for our community is always first among our objectives for present and future land use in East Bellevue.

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**Occupation:** Regional Director of Recruiting, Financial Advocates Inc

**Education:** BS, US Air Force Academy, MBA Wright State University

As a Bellevue resident of 14 years, I’ve made Bellevue a home for my family including wife and two children. Through the incredible experience of growing and raising my family in Bellevue, as well as running a small business, I’ve become intimately acquainted with the city, our people, parks, schools and community. I am very proud of Bellevue and feel there are few places better to work, live, and raise a family. I am committed to keeping Bellevue’s strong community bonds and beauty through continuing the legacy of careful and considerate planning and development. Through this effort Bellevue will continue to be a first class city and community of proud, caring neighbors.
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 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.
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.
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.

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Official Ballot Title
King County
Charter Amendment No. 4
Adding New Section 897 – High Conservation Value Properties

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

☐ YES
☐ NO

Explanatory Statement

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

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

Statement for

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

Statement against

No statement submitted.
Proposed No. 2009-0259.2  Sponsors: Ferguson

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

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

Section 990. Transition.

((Except as provided by this article, the terms of office of elective county officers subject to the charter holding office on April 30, 1969, shall terminate on the effective date of this charter. All appointed officers and employees having terms of office which expire on the effective date of this charter shall continue in the performance of their duties until their successors are appointed or until their duties are transferred, altered or abolished in accordance with the provisions of this charter. All boards and commissions whose functions have not been transferred by this charter to another agency of county government established by this charter shall continue to function for one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this charter, at the end of which time they are hereby abolished unless re-established or continued by ordinance.)) All ordinances, resolutions and other official actions of the board of county Commissioners (which) that are in effect on the May 1, 1969, effective date of this charter and (which) that are 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
**Proposed No. 2009-0282.2**  
Sponsors: Ferguson

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

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

No: 0

Excused: 0

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

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

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

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

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

**Section 800 Charter Review and Amendments.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

No: 0

Excused: 0

**King County Charter Amendment No. 4**  
Ordinance 16600

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

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

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

**SECTION 1.** Findings:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Section 897. High Conservation Value Properties.

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

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

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

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

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

Yes: 9 - Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Dunn
No: 0
Excused: 0
In 2003 Fire District 10 voters approved a measure to replace a portion of the property tax with the Fire Benefit Charge. The Fire Benefit Charge is calculated mostly on the size of a structure and its use rather than its value. This system is less susceptible to market fluctuations. This means that critical emergency services remain funded when property values fall, and taxes aren’t over collected when property values rise. The Fire Benefits Charge was designed to allow the Fire Commissioners to charge only what is needed to pay for services, rather than an inflexible flat-rate. The Fire Commissioners have a strong track record of keeping charges below the 2003 rate of $1.50 per thousand of assessed value. The effective rate has been as low as $1.13, but never more than $1.50. In 2009 the effective rate is $1.32. Help your Fire Commissioners continue to provide critical emergency services efficiently, collecting only what is needed each year, by voting YES to RE-AUTHORIZE this system for another six years.

Statement against

No statement submitted.
Vote YES to continue the East Bellevue Community Council (EBCC) for another four years. Unless its continuation is approved at this election, there will be no opportunity to resurrect EBCC. This YES vote preserves the right of EBCC to approve or disapprove land use changes in our neighborhood.

EBCC is a valuable neighborhood asset. It allows citizens in our area to actively participate in decisions affecting the quality of life in our neighborhoods. EBCC studies citywide proposed changes and makes informed decisions about development for East Bellevue. They can just say NO, if necessary, to land use decisions that would not fit our character and neighborhoods.

The five elected and unpaid Council members must live within our area. They are elected by you to make informed decisions based on your input and participation in open monthly meetings. At these meetings you can express your views about land use or the level of City service in our area.

For 40 years, EBCC has an excellent record of protecting, preserving, and enhancing our neighborhoods. The work of EBCC has received a high rate of voter approval in previous elections.

Vote YES to continue the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Jim Bell
Panther Lake Annexation Area
Proposition No. 1
Proposed Annexation to the City of Kent
The Kent City Council passed Resolution No. 1809 concerning annexation of the Panther Lake Annexation Area which would authorize annexation of that area of unincorporated King County known as the Panther Lake Annexation Area as legally described in Resolution No. 1809. Shall the area of unincorporated King County known as the Panther Lake Annexation Area, as legally described in City of Kent Resolution No. 1809, be annexed to the City of Kent?

☐ FOR ANNEXATION
☐ AGAINST ANNEXATION

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

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

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

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

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

www.annex2kent.com

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

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Marvin Eckfeldt, Marci Wainhouse

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

We’ll have to pay all the past bonds issued by Kent.

We’ll lose our fire station, we paid for.

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

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

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

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

Our community diversity must be reflected in our government officials.

Kent has only one department head that is a person of color.

Kent has no persons of color in any elected position

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

No additional fire fighters or police will be added to protect us.

No neighborhood 4th of July fireworks allowed.

We’ll have no representation in Kent

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

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

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

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

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Patrick J. Dillon
Rebuttal of statement against

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

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

- “The proposed City of Fairwood would unite a greater community which shares mutual social interests and economic interests.”
- “Provisions for local planning and controls within the City of Fairwood could be expected to result in positive effects to the surrounding built community and the natural environment.”
- “If the new City is formed, its citizens would be provided with a full array of essential public services, facilities and infrastructure either directly by the city or by service contract.”

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Rebuttal of statement against

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

**STATED PREPARED BY**: Joe Giberson, Jill Johnson, Paula Henderson
Statement against

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

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

The incorporation study provides the wrong reasons to incorporate.

- Overestimated Revenue
  Proponents’ assumptions are based on 2007 numbers – a far different economic climate – and rely largely on the real estate market. To meet its budget 174-190 new homes must be built and sold per year (a Woodside development every 2½ years!) and 897-1015 existing homes must be resold. Reality looks very different. Only 1/10th the number of new construction and sales and 1/3rd the number of resales occurred over the past 5 years. We know our area is nearly fully developed now! Large lots could be divided and big developments built in every rural area, permanently altering our neighborhoods.

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

- Underestimated Costs
  Proponents assume costs won’t increase with inflation – an assumption contrary to the experience of every other local government. Start up costs (estimated at $750,000 in 2006) must be borrowed. Currently no “start up” funds from cash strapped Washington State or King County governments are available. Predictions show expenses per resident at 60% to 74% below what similar sized nearby cities currently spend. Actual General Fund operating expenses are often THREE TIMES what was projected in other incorporation studies.

NO funding is proposed for Parks and Recreation. A city that does not invest in quality of life activities is completely unrealistic. King County is closing parks. NO funding is allocated for Human Services, an investment in the safety and welfare of any community. Maple Valley spent $200,799 for human services and $1,325,812 for parks and recreation in 2008. Fairwood projection: $0.

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

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

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

www.govoteno.org

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

Rebuttal of statement for

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

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

The new facility offers accessible voting during all elections.

King County Elections

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