Dear King County Voter:

Like it or not, we are at last having to accept that our exceptional Northwest summer is giving way to fall. Fortunately, fall in the Northwest has its own glory made more exciting (in my opinion) by the seasonal transition to all things related to election time – campaigns, forums and debates, and serious decisions related to governance. Given my work, it is a time of year I love, and a time for thoughtful consideration of the leadership that can determine how communities use resources that impact our lives.

The Elections Department has been strategic and purposeful in managing election administration with a strong focus on efficiency and elimination of wasted activity and time. In the past 18 months, our office has applied Lean business principles to our work. In doing so, we have streamlined our process-oriented functions as well as many administrative functions. This has resulted in savings both in time and temporary work force staffing for large elections. We’ve made more effective use of our space and technology. Cross training, where feasible, has resulted in the additional benefit of more highly skilled staff and created some opportunities for advancement.

King County Elections asked voters to join us in reducing costs by becoming informed voters. Our internally developed outreach campaign to “Be an Informed Voter” assists voters in avoiding the most common errors that require more staff and voter time to resolve, and sometimes prevent ballots from being counted.

This marks the fourth round of the campaign that’s featured local celebrities who’ve volunteered to remind voters in TV, radio and website ads of the importance of being informed. Our celebrity partners put heart, humor and sincerity into the campaign, contributing hugely to the success. The campaign outcomes from last year’s general election demonstrate its impressive impact and the important role voters have in reducing workload and costs:

- increased early ballot returns resulting in 76% reduction of ballots returned too late;
- missing signatures reduced 34%, and
- signatures challenged reduced 30%.

By communicating and working collaboratively with other county elections officials and voters, and by working “Lean” and focusing on key priorities, we are delivering services that are effective, efficient and successfully meeting public expectations. When new ideas or service requests are brought to us, we consider both the associated benefits and impacts. Many improvements have come from being forward thinking and trying new approaches. Efficiencies also come from critically evaluating services and cutting plans where voters have indicated by their action and input that there is not sufficient benefit to warrant the costs.

Ballot drop boxes are an example of focusing investments and creativity to ensure that voters throughout the county have reasonable and equal access to a core service. Investments in 24-hour ballot drop off locations were made consistent with other public service infrastructure by locating boxes in urban centers. Where permanent locations could not be found or gaps were evident, ballot drop vans have proven to be an effective and efficient way to complete our drop box network. With a total of 25 locations in place for returning ballots to a box (rather than by mail), King County has achieved a network that statistics show results in a constant level of return. Additionally, consideration of drop locations recognizes a consistent pattern of voters choosing to return their ballots by mail at a rate of 70 to 80% regardless of drop location numbers.

Quality assurance research and continuing evaluation of voter data, surveys, and comments helps the Elections Department maintain a high level of customer service without excessive expense.

Your opinion, like your vote, can make a difference in how we function as government agencies. Your thoughts and ideas, like your questions, are always welcome!

Sherril Huff
You will receive two voters’ pamphlets.

King County voters will receive two voters’ pamphlets for this election. In addition to this voters’ pamphlet, you will receive one from the Secretary of State that includes state initiatives and measures, as well as the state offices.
Reading the local voters’ pamphlet

Why are there measures and candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet that are not on my ballot?

The measures and races on your ballot reflect the districts in which you are registered to vote. The local voters’ pamphlet may cover multiple districts and include measures and races outside of your districts.

What is an explanatory statement?

An explanatory statement is prepared by each district’s attorney stating the effect of the ballot measure if passed into law.

How are committees in favor of or in opposition to a measure formed?

Districts choosing to participate in a local voters’ pamphlet are responsible for appointing committee members who agree to write statements.

The statements are a way to persuade voters to vote for or against a measure. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements.

What is the order of candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet?

Candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet are listed in the order they appear on the ballot.

Candidates are given word limits based upon the number of registered voters within each district.

King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the candidate and measure statements.

Contact information

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206-296-VOTE (8683)
1-800-325-6165
TTY Relay: 711

Email:
elections@kingcounty.gov

Online:
www.kingcounty.gov/elections

Mail or in-person:
919 SW Grady Way
Renton, WA  98057

King County Elections is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Voter Registration Annex*
King County Administration Building
500 4th Ave., Room 311
Seattle, WA  98104

The Voter Registration Annex is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*Please note, this location only provides services associated with voter registration.
Register to vote

Requirements
To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

• A citizen of the United States
• A legal resident of Washington State
• At least 18 years old by Election Day
• Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections

How to register
• Register online with the Secretary of State, www.vote.wa.gov
• Download a registration form from the King County Elections website.
• Register in person at the King County Elections office or at the King County Voter Registration Annex.

Registration deadlines
While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines prior to each election. The deadlines for the November 5, 2013, general and special election:

• October 7 – Deadline to register to vote or update voter registration information.
• October 28 – In person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in-person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

Keep your voter registration current
Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.

Visit our Voter Registration Annex

King County Elections offers convenient, in-person service at the downtown Seattle annex for voter registration related matters only.

Services offered:
• Register to vote
• Change or update your address or name
• Voter notification cards
• Information and assistance about non-traditional residential addresses/homeless voters, and mailing address vs. residential address
• Cancel a voter registration

Services not offered:
• Replacement ballots
• Accept voted ballots
• Accept voter registration challenges
• Signature challenge resolutions
• Accessible voting
• Maps or voter data files
• Candidate filings

For these services contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

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Returning your ballot

Through the mail
You can vote and return your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service as soon as you receive it.

Ballots must be postmarked by November 5. Mailed ballots require first class postage.

24-hour drop boxes
Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop box.

Burien City Hall
400 SW 152nd Street, Burien 98166

Crossroads Shopping Center
South entrance
15600 NE 8th Street, Bellevue 98008

Federal Way City Hall
33325 8th Avenue S, Federal Way 98003

Issaquah City Hall
130 E Sunset Way, Issaquah 98027

King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

Lake Forest Park City Hall
17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park 98155

Regional Justice Center
401 4th Avenue N, Kent 98032
Near parking garage entrance

Redmond Senior Center
8703 160th Avenue NE, Redmond 98052

Seattle ballot drop box locations:
Ballard Branch Library
Corner of NW 57th Street and 22nd Avenue NW, Seattle 98107

King County Administration Building
500 4th Avenue, Seattle 98104

Ballot drop boxes are open
24 hours a day beginning October 17.

Ballot drop boxes close
on Election Day, November 5, at 8 p.m.
Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop-off van. Vans will be parked at these locations only on the dates and times listed:

**Auburn City Hall**
25 West Main Street, Auburn 98001

**Kirkland City Hall**
123 5th Avenue, Kirkland 98033

**Renton Highlands Neighborhood Center**
800 Edmonds Avenue NE Renton 98056

**SeaTac City Hall**
4800 S 188th Street, SeaTac 98188

**Shoreline-Aurora Square Shopping Center**
15505 Westminster Way N, Shoreline 98133

**Tahoma School District Building**
25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Rd SE, Maple Valley 98038

**White Center at Greenbridge Library**
9720 8th Avenue SW, Seattle 98106

**Woodinville City Hall**
17301 133rd Avenue NE, Woodinville 98072

**Seattle ballot drop-off van locations:**

- **Magnuson Park**
  6344 NE 74th Street, Seattle 98115
  *Use 74th Street entrance*

- **Rainier Community Center**
  4600 38th Avenue S, Seattle 98118

- **University of Washington Campus**
  Red Square, Seattle 98105
  *No parking or vehicle access available*

- **West Seattle Stadium**
  4432 35th Avenue SW, Seattle 98126

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**Hours of operation**

- Saturday, November 2, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Monday, November 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Election Day, November 5, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Accessible voting centers

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment are available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

Voters may also return ballots at these locations during their business hours.

King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

Hours of operation:
Weekdays, October 18 - November 4, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, November 5, 8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Seattle Union Station
401 S. Jackson Street, Seattle 98104

Hours of operation:
Monday, November 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday, November 5, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Bellevue City Hall
450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue 98004

Hours of operation:
Monday, November 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday, November 5, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Why we may contact you

Remember the declaration you must sign on your ballot return envelope? You may not realize it, but your signature is critical for your vote to be processed.

The signature on your ballot envelope must match the signature on file with your voter registration. Your ballot cannot be opened and processed until the signature is matched, or “verified.”

If your ballot has a signature issue, King County Elections will attempt to contact you by phone and mail. Please follow the instructions and reply promptly.

To update your signature for future elections, fill out a voter registration form, sign it and mail it back to King County Elections. See www.kingcounty.gov/elections for registration forms and more information.
## Duties of offices in this election

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<td>County Executive</td>
<td>Responsible for the implementation of council/commission policies and the day-to-day administration of county government functions and services.</td>
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<td>$209,387.91</td>
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<td>Sheriff</td>
<td>Chief executive officer and conservator of the peace of the county. Oversees the law enforcement needs for unincorporated King County, twelve contract cities, the Muckleshoot Tribe, Metro Transit, and the King County International Airport and provides law enforcement helicopters and bomb disposal for all of King County.</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>$175,257.68</td>
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<td>Metropolitan King County Council</td>
<td>Sets policies and enacts laws. Develops and adopts county budget. Oversees county services. Reports to, represents and serves the needs of citizens.</td>
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<td>$139,591.94</td>
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<td>Port of Seattle</td>
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<td>Port of Seattle Commissioner</td>
<td>Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port. Establishes port policy.</td>
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<td>Works with city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.</td>
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<td>City Council</td>
<td>Approves the city’s budget. Develops laws and policies. Oversees public services. Reports to, represents and serves the needs of citizens.</td>
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<td>School District Director/Position</td>
<td>Sets policies for schools. Provides oversight for the operations of the school system. Represents the interests of the community on public education issues.</td>
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<td>Fire District Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees fire services including fire response and protection, emergency medical aid and more.</td>
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<td>No annual salary</td>
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<td>Water District Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees the water district to provide clean, safe drinking water.</td>
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<td>Sewer/Wastewater District Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees the sewer district to keep up facilities, meet water needs and meet environmental requirements.</td>
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<td>Utility District Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees the utility district to maintain properties, conserve energy and monitor use of many types of energy.</td>
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<td>Public Hospital Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.</td>
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<td>Airport Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees county airports.</td>
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<td>Cemetery Commissioner</td>
<td>Oversees the maintenance and operation of district cemeteries.</td>
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<td>Park and Recreation District Commissioner</td>
<td>Adopts the parks budget, and develops goals, policies and regulations for parks.</td>
<td>Varies</td>
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Your signature verifies your vote

Sign the declaration on the back of your return envelope before getting it back to Elections. Take your time and sign carefully.

Before any ballot is counted, state law requires that specially trained Elections staff make sure the signature on the ballot envelope matches the signature on file with your voter registration. If you forget to sign or if the signatures don’t match, the Elections department cannot count your ballot. If this happens, Elections staff will contact you to take care of the issue.

The security envelope has been redesigned

1. Slip your ballot inside the black and white sleeve-style envelope. The margin of your ballot will stick out from the side, but all your votes will be covered.

   Do not make additional folds to your ballot or tape the envelope shut.

2. Now place the black and white envelope with your ballot into the return envelope.

   The new “sleeve-style” design complies with state law and provides the same level of security that the previous envelope design provided. It covers votes while speeding up ballot processing. Privacy of your vote is further ensured by the two-step opening process.
Dow Constantine

**Education:** University of Washington BA 1985, JD 1989, MA Urban Planning 1992; West Seattle High School

**Occupation:** King County Executive; Attorney; Planner

**Statement:** Four years ago, I was sworn into office with this promise: To reform King County government so that we are able to tackle the tough issues facing our region. As your Executive, I have fulfilled my promise and put King County back on sound financial footing.

**Reforming Government**

In 2009, King County was mired in financial problems, and faced an immediate $60 million shortfall. My team partnered with our employees to save tens of millions of dollars in health care and salary costs, improve customer service, and institute Lean management. Our employee-driven innovations are delivering permits, licenses, county contracts, and dozens of services faster and less expensively. Most important, we have charted a course for continuous improvement.

**Working Together to Solve Problems**

In the past four years our region faced many challenges. I met these challenges by forming partnerships - with other governments and the private sector. Because we worked together as never before, the storm-damaged Howard Hansen Dam was quickly repaired, a new South Park Bridge is under construction, and a reformed Metro secured temporary funding to save bus service. I am proud that the Municipal League recognized our work with the James R. Ellis Award for Regional Leadership.

**Building on Our Progress**

We have accomplished so much, yet there is still much to do. Moving forward, we will focus on saving and improving public transit, curbing gun violence, and ensuring health care for all. We will meet our generational responsibility to invest in our land, our infrastructure, and our people. I hope you will join me as we continue to create the most innovative local government anywhere.

**I would appreciate your vote.**


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Alan E. Lobdell

**Education:** Public Admin-MPA, Business - MBA, Management- BS, Paralegal-Certificate, Civil Engineer- AA Degree

**Occupation:** Professional Engineer, Public Works Director, City Engineer, Project manager, Consultant

**Statement:** For the last 20 plus years King County has been led by career politicians. I offer the people of King County myself, a career Public Servant.

**Current Administration Follies**

The current administration claims they solved a budget shortfall of $60 million. On June 19th, a Class Action Law suit was filed against King County for non-payment of wages spanning several years. This could involve as many as 2600 current and former employees. Is this how they balanced the budget? By not paying fair wages. I was a union member too long to accept this.

Approximately 9 years ago, we voted to give a portion of our property tax to King County Veterans. $2 million per year has gone to the State for the last 8 years. That's not what we voted for. This is a reason people don't trust government. Our money does not go where we voted for it to go.

The current administration is upset a 10.5 cent per gallon gas tax was not passed by the Legislature. How many times do the citizens of Washington, both parties, have to tell elected officials ‘we want to have the say’ in tax increases?

**Integrity & Trust**

I intend to change the manner in which King County operates so the people can start gaining full trust in Government. This is change, for the better.

I intend to serve ALL of the public by offering a proven leader who can prioritize government.

**Our Future**

We lost when Boeing left town. Does anyone have a vision for the future to bolster our economy and jobs? I Do! There is an untapped market in the country today - a multi-billion dollar market we can have. I plan to pursue this market in the King County Area, leading to more money and jobs.

Alanlobdell.org

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King County Elections is not authorized to edit statements, nor is it responsible for the contents therein.
John Urquhart

**Education:** Business Degree from the University of Washington and graduate of three police training academies.

**Occupation:** Currently the King County Sheriff; police officer for 37 years.

**Statement:** John Urquhart was overwhelming elected as the King County Sheriff last year. Now he has earned the support to serve as Sheriff for a full four-year term!

John campaigned on bringing leadership, accountability, and transparency back to the Sheriff’s Office, without losing sight of what is most important in law enforcement: reducing crime and the fear of crime, while also treating citizens with respect and protecting their constitutional rights.

John has delivered on his promises. In fact in a recent editorial The Seattle Times said, “Urquhart appears to be taking the right steps” and “Sheriff John Urquhart’s wise response to use-of-force incidents……”

For example, the Sheriff’s Office now has a Use of Force Review Board. And, for the first time ever, the Sheriff’s Office now conducts separate, but parallel criminal and administrative investigations immediately after a deputy is involved in shooting event, as recommended by outside audits beginning in early 2012.

John is a fierce advocate of civilian oversight for police departments, and he’s working with the King County Council and the Office of Law Enforcement Oversight to successfully implement it in the Sheriff’s Office. This is a vital tool that ensures the Sheriff’s Office retains the values and support of the community.

With a $160 million budget, it’s important for the Sheriff to have strong management experience. John’s unique background as a successful small business owner and developer of residential and commercial real estate gives him the tools necessary to implement needed reforms in the Sheriff’s Office.

The Sheriff’s Office is a non-partisan position, and John Urquhart has secured unprecedented bipartisan support. Democrats, Republicans, Independents, first responders, and community leaders all agree that John Urquhart is doing a stellar job as Sheriff and King County voters should elect him for four more years!

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Everyone can be a voting champion and finish out front!

Get your ballot voted and returned before November 5.

Be an informed voter.
Kathy Lambert

**Education:** University of Washington Graduate
*Teacher Certification* *AA degree College of Marin* *Public Policy Training Courses*

**Occupation:** King County Councilmember, Former House of Representatives and Former Teacher

**Statement:** Kathy is dedicated to serving the people of District 3 and King County.
She serves as Chair of the Law, Justice, Health & Human Services Committee. In this position she helped create efficiencies in our courts through greater use of technology. For Kathy’s work including establishing the Court of the Future, she was given the Technology Champion Award.

Along with several community members, Kathy helped establish Safe Place which is a public/private partnership providing help to youth in crisis. United Way named her the 2013 Outstanding Public Official of the Year.

As Vice Chair of the Budget Committee, Kathy has helped balance King County’s budget throughout the recent recession by establishing priorities and making needed reductions while maintaining the county’s AAA credit rating.

Kathy works on a variety of regional policy issues such as Public Health and is active in Olympia serving as Legislative Co-Chair for the Washington State Association of Counties. Kathy also keeps a close eye on local government responsibilities as well as serving and advocating for the unincorporated areas in her district.

She has the experience and dedication we need representing us on the King County Council, please vote for Kathy Lambert!

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**You can vote as soon as you receive your ballot**

Return your completed ballot as early as possible. This helps keep election costs down and allows more time to resolve any issues that may be associated with your signature.

You can return your ballot through the mail or at a ballot drop box as early as the day you receive it!
Council District No. 5

Andy Massagli

**Education:** B.S. Aviation/Transportation Management, A.S Film, Army JFK SWCS, Sheriff's Academy  
**Occupation:** Business owner, former Airline Captain and Deputy Sheriff  
**Statement:** Has your car ever broken down in the middle of the road, and then a stranger came to help push it to a safe place? That may well have been my husband, Andy Massagli.

He is the kind of man we desperately need to represent us. He is real, good-hearted and genuine. He is one of the smartest and most talented people you will meet. He will jump at the chance to personally help you out. We just don’t get to vote for that kind of person as often as we should.

He is a wonderful husband and an amazing father. He is respectful of women and understands our needs. He is playful and creative in teaching our children. He has a way of explaining even complex topics to them that makes sense.

Andy served our country in the military. He served our community as a deputy sheriff and as a volunteer with youth programs. He serves our family as a business owner and hard worker at home. He is the true picture of a man representing the people.

He understands government. More importantly, he understands us. Please give him your vote.

Sincerely,

Anita Massagli

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Dave Upthegrove

**Education:** B.A. Environmental Conservation, University of Colorado; Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy Planning, University of Idaho  
**Occupation:** Basketball Referee, Pacific NW Basketball Officials Association; WA State Representative  
**Statement:** Born and raised in South King County, I’ve represented our community in the State House for twelve years. I’ve enjoyed working with small businesses, cities, human services organizations, and citizens throughout South King County. This is and always will be my home. My lifelong connection to the community and record of service has prepared me to deepen my level of public service on the King County Council.

In the Legislature, I’ve brought people together to solve problems and deliver results. I helped secure funding for light rail in SeaTac and improvements to congested intersections in Kent. I passed legislation to clean up toxic soil in playgrounds in Highline and Kent, and kept local parks – such as Saltwater State Park and Flaming Geyser State Park off the closure lists. For my support of local small businesses, I was honored as the 2012 “Public Employee of the Year” by the Kent Chamber of Commerce.

I’m proud to be endorsed by outgoing Councilmember Julia Patterson, King County Sheriff John Urquhart, and the Mayor of every city in the district. The independent Municipal League (which evaluates candidates based on involvement, character, effectiveness, and knowledge) gave me their highest possible rating of “Outstanding.”

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Pete von Reichbauer

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

Statement: Service

As a child growing up in the Puget Sound area Pete learned about “giving back” from his parents.

When Pete returned to the Pacific Northwest after college and serving our country in the U.S. Army, he immediately got involved in our community.

Pete is a founding board member of St. Francis Hospital...a founding board member (and past board member of the year) for the Auburn/Federal Way Boys and Girls Club. And, he is past president of the Federal Way Kiwanis Club.

Service to others runs deep in Pete’s life, and he understands the importance of being there when times are tough for his friends and neighbors.

Whether promoting housing and support services for groups like FUSION, and “Reach Out” who work to provide a safe and secure environment for transitional families as they work toward self-sufficiency; or working to obtain vans to assist senior citizens, or seeking special grants for community sports teams, as well as working to keep existing job-producing businesses in South King County, or to encourage new job growth.

Pete has been there for us.

Please join your neighbors and come together on Tuesday November 5th for Pete.

Pete understands that service begins in the community!

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Reagan Dunn

Education: University of Washington school of Law, Order of Barristers; Arizona State University, Magna Cum Laude

Occupation: County Councilman; former federal prosecutor; National Coordinator, Project Safe Neighborhoods

Statement: It has been my privilege to be your advocate on the King County Council. I was raised right here in our district and my two children are the fourth generation of my family to live in it.

I am proud to have earned the endorsement of all eight nonpartisan mayors in the district, in addition to the endorsement of the Seattle Times. The non-partisan Municipal League just rated me “Outstanding”--its highest rating. Recently, I was honored to be named Washington State’s Outstanding Local Elected Official of the Year.

Please don’t believe the negative attack ads. Of the nine council members, I’m proud to have the second best attendance at Council meetings and I’ve returned nearly $100,000.00 of taxpayer money from my office account back to taxpayers.

County government faces very significant challenges. I will work to improve emergency services and ensure that road maintenance is properly funded while striving to protect our environment and public health services. In short, I will use my knowledge of the district combined with years of private sector and government experience to help King County continue its path toward a more efficient and accountable government.

I work for you and I appreciate your vote.

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Shari Song

Education: Bachelor of Arts Degree, University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana

Occupation: Managing Broker, Prudential NW Realty Associates, Bellevue

Statement: KEY ENDORSEMENTS:
U.S. Senator Patty Murray & U.S. Congressman Adam Smith
ML King County Labor Council, Aerospace Machinist, Joint Council of Teamsters 28, Seattle/King County Building Trades Council, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 587, Carpenters 41
Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest, NARAL-Pro Choice Washington, EMILY’s List, WA Conservation Voters

King County Democrats

I’m not a career politician. I am a businesswoman, mom, wife, and community leader. I’ve been elected President of three different community organizations five different times. I founded the Mission Church Preschool learning and education center to prepare children to start school. Soroptimist International honored me as a “Woman of Distinction” and former King County Executive, Ron Sims, honored me with the Recognition Award for Community Service.

Last year, when the incumbent ran for statewide office, the Seattle Times reported he had the worst attendance record of anyone on the King County Council. He also overspent his office budget, flew to Australia on your dime and even bought a Persian rug with your money. The voters in King County deserve better.

On the Council, I will work full-time to attract living-wage jobs, reduce traffic gridlock, improve transit and fund public safety. I believe in putting people first, not politics.

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Pete Lewis

Education: Certificate of Achievement-Institute of Financial Education and AA-Mesa Junior College – San Diego, CA

Occupation: Mayor of Auburn, WA (2002 – current)

Statement: Experienced and proven leader

Elected Mayor of Auburn in 2001, a position I have held for the last 12 years and served on the Auburn City Council from 1997 to 2002.

I am a strong supporter of community involvement, and have been a volunteer with numerous community groups, serving on multiple boards for the past 30 years. I have earned top service awards with the Lion’s Melvin Jones Fellowship and the Rotary Club’s Paul Harris Award.

I believe in the power of partnership. I serve as the chair of the Association of Washington Cities Economic Development and Infrastructure sub-committee, chair of the South County Transportation Board, and Vice Chair of the King County Regional Policy Committee and Puget Sound Regional Committee Executive & Operations Board. In addition, I am a member of the U.S. Conference of Mayors Transportation Committee, Tourism Committee and the National Amtrak Advisory Board, and I chair the Veterans Task Force.

Jobs and prosperity. We can do it if we work together!

The Port of Seattle is one of the most important economic drivers for our state. While eastern seaboard and Gulf Coast ports are upgrading their facilities and regional infrastructure, we are not.

When elected, I will focus on improving the Port of Seattle by streamlining the movement of cargo containers through our regional transportation network and promoting tourism through Sea-Tac Airport and our cruise ship terminals. I will work to bring the two ports of Seattle and Tacoma into alignment to work together in the future.

The next four years will be critical for the continued growth of shipping and tourism in our region. The Port of Seattle needs an experienced, proven leader to help man the rudder as we navigate rough seas ahead. I have the experience and relationships to move us forward!

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John Creighton

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

Occupation: Seattle Port Commissioner; Business Attorney

Statement: Thank you for the opportunity to work as your Seattle Port commissioner for the last eight years. I have focused on bringing the business and environmental communities together behind the idea that an economically vibrant port is an environmentally sustainable port. I worked with my colleagues to establish 25-year strategic plan to help grow 100,000 new jobs for our region, and our efforts are paying off. In 2010 and 2011, the port saw over 2 million containers come through our seaport. In 2012, a record 33.2 million passengers traveled through Sea-Tac Airport. During last summer’s cruise season, we saw a record 933,900 passengers come through our cruise terminals.

I’m also ready to continue my work on transportation issues important to moving our region forward – both as commissioner and as a member of the Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board, to which I was appointed by Governor Gregoire in 2006 – including SR167, SR509 and SR99 and connections to the industrial areas around our seaport and airport.

As your port commissioner, I have championed reform measures leading to better oversight of taxpayer funds, including implementation of a Commission audit committee and an independent internal audit program, better controls and procedures on capital projects and posting Commission expenses online.

I have worked to find collaborative solutions to regional issues and bring people together. I am honored to have the support of Democrats, Republicans, Independents, business leaders, labor unions, environmentalists and transportation advocates. I’m eager to continue working on job growth strategies at the port and I’d be honored to have your vote.

Before becoming a commissioner, I worked as a lawyer specializing in international business and trade issues. I grew up on the Eastside of King County, and currently live in Bellevue.

Please vote to reelect John Creighton to the Port Commission.

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Courtney Gregoire

**Education:** Graduate of Olympia High School, Willamette University and Harvard Law School.

**Occupation:** Microsoft Counsel, Former Deputy Chief of Staff U.S. Commerce Department.

**Statement:** It is my honor to serve as your Port of Seattle Commissioner, where my top priorities are creating jobs, protecting our environment, and bringing people together to address challenges facing our Port. I spent the last ten years focused on improving economic opportunity in Washington state, including serving as President Obama’s first Director of the National Export Initiative.

As your Port Commissioner, my goals are:

- **Maintain and create family wage jobs**
  
  This is the people’s Port. That’s why my top priority is protecting and creating the jobs in the maritime, aviation, fishing, tourism, and international trade sectors that make our Port an engine for economic growth for the whole state.

- **Protect our incredible environment and quality of life**
  
  Economic growth and a strong commitment to protecting our air and water quality can and must go hand-in-hand. Our Port’s environmental record and energy efficiency should be the envy of the nation. We can make that happen by cleaning up the Duwamish River, addressing stormwater runoff and reducing emissions.

The Port faces many challenges. We must work collaboratively to make the critical infrastructure investments needed to move goods and people safely and efficiently. We also need to work with ports across the region to attract more international trade.

With your support, we will meet these challenges.

I’m proud to be endorsed by fifteen Democratic organizations (including the King County Democrats), a dozen local unions (including the King County Labor Council, AFL-CIO, ILWU, and Machinists), and members of the business community (including the Seattle Chamber of Commerce’s CASE and Auburn Area Chamber). I also received an “outstanding” rating from the Seattle Municipal League.

My husband, Scott, and I live in Seattle with our young daughter. I appreciate your consideration and ask for your vote.

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John Naubert

**Education:** Built actions against the Vietnam War at Tacoma Community College in the 1970s.

**Occupation:** electrical wire assembler at factory in Kent, WA

**Statement:** The consequences of the dictatorship of capital fall heavily on the working class. The Democrats and Republicans are actively involved in carrying out assaults on working people including imperialist wars abroad. The Socialist Workers Party calls for a movement to demand a massive public jobs program paid for by the federal government to put millions to work building roads, schools, bridges, and hospitals which working people need. We also defend a women’s right to choose abortion demanding an end to all restrictions on access. The vigilantism that led to Trayvon Martin’s death is against the interests of the working class. We call for the release of the Cuban 5, supporters of the Cuban Revolution, framed up and imprisoned by the U.S. government. We stand with fast food, airport workers and others calling for a raise in the minimum wage to $15.00 an hour.

Oppressed layers of our class are hit hardest by this profit-driven offensive – especially workers who are Black. We call for organizing and unionizing all workers and decriminalizing the status of those who are undocumented. We support the fight of farm workers in Burlington to unionize and striking machinists at Belshaw-Adematic in Auburn.

We explain that long shore workers and others need to be in solidarity with each other regardless of which port they work in. Our problem is the government and the bosses they represent, not other workers. We stand in solidarity with ILWU workers locked out in Vancouver, Washington and Portland, Oregon by the grain bosses.

We need to rely on ourselves and break from the capitalist two-party system. That is the road forward for the working class. We need to emulate Cuba whose people made a revolution and put the workers and farmers in power.

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Commissioner Position No. 3

Stephanie Bowman

Education: Seattle University, M.B.A., Executive Leadership; University of Idaho, Bachelor of Science; American Marshall Fellowship
Occupation: Executive Director, Washington ABC, statewide non-profit helping economically-disadvantaged families
Statement: The Port of Seattle is at a crossroads. We face extraordinary local and global challenges as we seek to fulfill our mission of economic growth, environmental sustainability, and family-wage job creation.

We must decide whether we’re going to compete against the Port of Tacoma or work together to create America’s strongest west coast gateway. We need regional transportation investments and a state export strategy focused on shipping Washington products rather than coal.

Sea-Tac requires substantial capital investment to remain one of the world’s leading airports, and must provide opportunity for all employees to build careers that sustain their families. Achieving our goal of being the greenest and most energy efficient port in North America will require cooperation between the Port and its vendors to implement world-class clean air and water practices.

To accomplish these critical tasks, we need progressive leaders focused on the core mission of our Port, with hands-on experience in trade and economic development and a proven commitment to workforce training and environmental responsibility.

Appointed to the Port Commission in April, I bring 18 years of professional experience in economic development, transportation, and workforce training on the regional, state and federal levels, and am the only Port Commissioner with direct work experience in the Port industry. As Executive Director of a statewide non-profit organization, I know the value of a dollar and am committed to accountability and transparency of how our tax dollars are spent.

I am proudly endorsed by: National Women’s Political Caucus; Washington Conservation Voters; King County Labor Council; Eastside Business Alliance; Longshoremen & Sailor’s Unions; Sea-Tac Firefighters Union, and more than 200 civic, political, and business leaders throughout King County.

I would be honored to have your support and continue to use my experience and leadership to usher in a new era at the Port.

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Michael Wolfe

Education: Georgetown University; Oakton Community College, A.A; American School in London, England, UK
Occupation: Director of Sales, USEADEAL; Former Executive Director, Washington CeaseFire
Statement: The Port of Seattle is an “Airport with a seaport attached”, not a “seaport with an airport attached” as many believe. Nearly 70% of the Port’s operating revenue is generated at Sea-Tac, 75% of the Port’s land holdings support Sea-Tac Airport, and over 85% of the Port’s Capital Budget was spent at Sea-Tac.

None of the Commissioners have professional experience in the airline or tourism industry that Sea-Tac supports. This is why I want to be your next Port Commissioner.

As the only candidate for Commissioner with real-world experience in these industries, I am uniquely qualified to lead the Port in its goals to create 100,000 new Port related jobs, double international flights, tripling air-cargo through Sea-Tac Airport, and double the economic impact of the cruise industry.

While the Airport and Cruise Terminals thrive, the Seaport struggles in the face of serious competition from larger West Coast Ports and an expanded Panama Canal. These competitors move cargo more efficiently and competitively than the Port of Seattle. The Port needs to increase its productivity to remain competitive by investing in transportation infrastructure, increased on-dock rail, and improved freight mobility.

Meanwhile, local competition from the Port of Tacoma is concerning but is not the major threat to the Port of Seattle.

We need a port commissioner that will focus on the future and make tough choices to keep our Port viable and less reliant on the taxpayer subsidy.

I’ve been endorsed by Congressman Adam Smith, County Councilmember Larry Phillips, State Senator Bob Hasegawa, State Representatives Sharon Tomiko Santos and Steve Bergquist, Seattle City Councilmembers Mike O’Brien and Richard Conlin, Seattle City Attorney Pete Holmes, multiple Legislative District Democratic Organizations, King County Young Democrats and the King County Democrats plus many other community leaders.

I ask you to vote for Michael Wolfe.

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Commissioner Position No. 4

Richard Pope

**Education:** University of Washington, JD Law; Excelsior College, BA Economics; University of Tennessee, Graduate Studies Economics

**Occupation:** Attorney, Small Business Owner, Devoted Parent, and Concerned Citizen

**Statement:** **LET’S ABOLISH THE UNFAIR $73.0 MILLION PORT PROPERTY TAX LEVY!**

This year, King County property owners are being taxed $73.0 Million to subsidize the Port of Seattle. Since I first ran for Port Commissioner in 1999, this unfair property tax levy has more than doubled. Why should working families and senior citizens be drained, just to subsidize international shipping companies and lucrative Port contractors?

Other major ports don’t tax the people, but give back to the people. Our biggest rivals, Los Angeles and Vancouver BC, give back over $100 million annually to support local governments. With over $5 billion in net assets, the Port of Seattle can also give back to help the people, and stop taking such an enormous subsidy.

Complicating matters, the Port of Seattle has too many businesses to effectively manage its investments. With the cushion of a property tax subsidy, it simply hasn’t been forced to do so. Most people know that the Port runs the airport, seaport, and cruise terminal, but it also manages four conference centers, six office and commercial developments, a system of nineteen parks, and a police department nearly as large as the entire City of Renton force. That’s just the tip of the iceberg! Clearly, there are opportunities for both operational improvements and divestitures.

We need to trim and reform overbloated and inefficient Port management. The Port CEO makes $366,825 annually, over twice the Governor’s salary! Port Commissioners recently increased their own salaries by 700%! Over 100 top executives have comfortable six-figure salaries. Year after year, the Port faces divisive scandals and disastrous performance audits. We need to reform our Port and make it financially accountable and self-supporting!

I am an ordinary citizen, small business owner, and concerned and devoted parent. Once again, I would be honored to have your vote!

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**Statement:** I am often asked – “Just what is the Port of Seattle – and what exactly does a Port Commissioner do?”

Ports in Washington State are unlike any other in the nation: they are voter-created and empowered economic development agencies. There are 75 port authorities in Washington – all governed by elected commissioners focused on the economic health of their communities.

The struggle of our time is growing middle-class jobs. For that, we need an economic ladder that works for everyone – no community is healthy otherwise. That’s the mission of the Port – creating job growth and opportunity for all, and in ways that protect our environment.

I’m completing my first term, which began as the great recession hit full force. It was tough going for all of us, but I’m pleased to report the Port’s strength helped turn the tide to more prosperous times.

**I’m asking for your support to serve another term.**

I now serve as President of the Port Commission. I also served as Audit Chair and made the Port more accountable and transparent through key reforms. I co-Chaired the creation of a new strategic plan that focuses the Port on its mission of job creation. Our goal is 100,000 more good jobs that come only through access to global suppliers and customers. Making and selling more planes, trucks, boats, and medical devices requires a world-class seaport just as growing our software, biotech, and tourism industries demands a great international airport.

But these facilities alone are still not enough – we must work together to leverage them and create jobs… with your vote, that’s exactly what I’ll do.

**Rated Outstanding: Municipal League**

Endorsements: SeaTac and Seattle Fire Fighters, International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, King County Realtors, Sailors’ Union, Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce.

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Be an informed voter!
### Council Position No. 2

**Lynda L. Osborn**

**Education:** High School and some College  
**Occupation:** Retired Banker  
**Statement:** My name is Lynda L Osborn; I have lived in Algona for 50+ years and raised my family here. I own two homes here and most of my family resides in Algona as well. Caring about the people and our city is what I do, with the help and efforts of the Home Town Community Services Center; where I am an active member both on the board as well as in person.

I worked for the city for approximately 10 years, served on the AEDC Board for several years as well as the Board of Adjustment. I have also served on City Council for numerous years at different times during my residency in Algona.

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### Council Position No. 4

**Dawn Dofelmire**

**Education:** High School graduate  
**Occupation:** Stay At Home Mom  
**Statement:** I served as city planning commissioner for nine years and I want to put my proven experience to work for our community. My husband Jack and I have lived in Algona for the past thirteen years raising our children. I volunteered at ALPAC Elementary school and have been involved with the PTA. I am an advocate for the residents of Algona; participating in community functions, involved in improving city ordinance, and I will be active in the Boeing chemical contamination proceedings as more information is released.

I like the direction our city is moving and I want to be a part of the continuing growth by advocating for younger people in our community. Thirty percent of our population is nineteen and under and I believe they are our future. I will use my experience and my position as a City Council member to promote positive change and a stronger Algona.

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Nancy Backus
Education: Graduate Auburn High School, A.A. Green River Community College & B.S. in Accounting City University
Occupation: City Councilmember, Deputy Mayor and Boeing Financial Operations Manager
Statement: Proudly endorsed by IAM Local 751, SEIU 1199NW, Washington Teamsters Legislative League, Cascade Bicycle Club, Washington Conservation Voters, Affordable Housing Council, King & Pierce County Republicans, Pierce County Young Democrats, Seattle/King County Realtors & Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce - Highly Qualified!
You deserve a mayor that understands finances - with experience, vision, passion & courage to lead – willing to listen and make informed decisions. I am that leader!
Jobs: I will continue focusing on attracting/retaining the right businesses - bringing jobs to Auburn.
Roads: Our roads need repairs, yet funding isn’t available. I’ll work with citizens to determine how to save/improve our streets.
Safety: I helped secure funding to add five new police officers in Auburn to make our city SAFER!
My experience and dedication to Auburn make me uniquely qualified to be your next Mayor!
I’m asking for your vote - let’s continue moving Auburn forward - together!
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John T. Partridge
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Statement: The issue in this election is do we want to continue spending city money like we have in the past. Our city has spent millions of your dollars on an empty downtown; a new jail that costs three million dollars per year more to operate; a restaurant and clubhouse costing $400,000 per year - and there is more, a lot more ... just ask me. As your mayor, I will bring fresh perspectives, accountability, integrity and courage to city government. We need to operate our city like we manage our homes - taking care of our needs before our wants. My priorities are:
• Safety of our families and community
• Secure funding for roads and walkways
• Making sure your voice is heard
Your vote for John Partridge means a better future for our community and our children. I am endorsed by our Valley Professional Firefighters.
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Jodi Riker-Yap
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Statement: I’m running for Auburn City Council because I have experience to know what it takes to get the job done. I am a former City Council member in Oregon, a retired Wildland Firefighter and an Emergency Medical Technician. My priorities are improving public safety, creating jobs, repairing our streets, and increasing transparency on the City Council.
As we head toward economic recovery I will prioritize putting revenues toward all public safety, because our families and our communities are what matter most. As your council member, I will advocate that every taxpayer dollar is used wisely. I will seek out efficiencies and, eliminate pork barrel projects. We can’t afford art installations downtown while our roads are in disrepair.
I take a down to earth approach to decisions and listen to all sides of any issue. I want to serve you, the voters and I humbly ask for your vote.
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Claude DaCorsi
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Occupation: Director of Capital Construction King County Housing Authority
Statement: As a council member I work for you! That will be my priority as your elected representative. The City of Auburn has more work to do to ensure that residents have a good place to live and work including repairing roads, providing job opportunities, and improving Public Safety. Auburn needs good fiscal policies addressing financial needs without reducing necessary services to Citizens. I am your fiscally conservative representative. I am a qualified and passionate leader with over 40 years of public sector and private sector experience.
I will be an advocate for vibrant economic development to attract new businesses to Auburn while continuing to support existing businesses. I am Your Servant Leader - I Work for You! I ask for your vote
Proudly Endorsed: Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce – Highly Qualified, Valley Professional Firefighters, IAM Local 751, Seattle King County Realtors, MLKCLC AFL-CIO, current Auburn Council Members, numerous individuals.
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Yolanda Trout

Education: Walla Walla High School; Walla Walla Community College with an Early Learning Degree
Occupation: Small Business owner
Statement: My vision for Auburn is to ensure that all citizens have an equal chance to be heard and served. I share the concerns about education, jobs, crime, a safe community and improved roads. I want to do something, not just talk about them. I have a history of getting things done locally and statewide. I worked to implement “Please Don’t Drink and Drive” signs as a result of the loss of a brother by a drunk driver. I co-chair our active block watch program, which has successfully worked to curb drug activity. My reputation as a hard worker and relentless advocate for education and safer neighborhoods and parks is the strongest attribute that I offer for my future role in City Council. Serving on the Planning Commission I have learned the importance of being a compassionate listener, positive decision maker and independent leader with a positive vision for Auburn.

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Statement: As an elected official it is not my place to tell you what you need and are going to get, but instead, to listen to what your wants and needs are and get the city to that point. As an elected official it is my duty to make tough financial decisions that promote a safe and healthy environment for you to raise your families and live in peace. It is my job to make sure you have streets that are driveable, parks that are safe, attractive and inviting and to make it convenient and attractive for you to support local business. It is my responsibility to do this in a way that doesn’t add more and more tax burden to you the citizen.

I pledge to you that I will constantly work to those goals and work diligently to keep our services under local control, not farm them out elsewhere.

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Michelle Binetti

Education: Attended Auburn public schools (graduated from Auburn High School); Central Washington University.
Occupation: Employed by the Auburn School District.
Statement: I will bring needed new leadership and perspective to the Auburn City Council. As our streets deteriorate and traffic worsens, City Hall says that nothing more can be done. Taxpayers have been burdened with subsidizing a golf course restaurant, the Auburn Avenue Theater and an excessively expensive jail. The city has wasted our money on the city center; it currently has a proposal before it to sell two downtown lots to developers for far less than what they cost taxpayers. Auburn does not need more of the ineffectual leadership it has been getting for the last two decades. I was born and raised in Auburn. I know what Auburn could be and when elected I will work to build the coalition to put our city back on the path to fulfilling its promise of becoming a better community for all of us. IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE.

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Rich Wagner

Education: Engineering Bachelor’s degree from Washington State University and Master’s degree from Santa Clara University
Occupation: Retired Weyerhaeuser Company Research Engineering Manager
Statement: Current City Councilman Rich Wagner and his wife Kay have lived in Auburn 35 years, raising four children. He is recognized as fair, intelligent and hard working. He knows how to constantly improve government, especially during this time of economic uncertainty when expenses must be minimized.

Rich’s priorities are: ● Improving streets ● Keeping water, sewer, storm drainage and garbage costs as low as possible ● Preserving the character of neighborhoods ● Providing outstanding police and fire service ● Uniting Auburn’s diverse population ● Encouraging sensible growth that provides jobs ● Soliciting citizen input ● Getting state and federal grants ● Expanding parks and recreation opportunities ● Encouraging arts ● Honoring Auburn’s small town heritage ● Partnering with schools and others to reduce costs and improve services.

Rich is a member of the Washington State University Engineering & Architecture Advisory Board and the Valley Regional Fire Authority Governance Board.

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Mayor

Dave Gordon

Education: Bachelor of Science, Information Systems Security; Army Veteran, Flight Engineer and Crew Chief, South Korea
Occupation: Boeing Flight Test System Administrator 2005 to present
Statement: As your Mayor, we will reform City Hall.
We will begin to work together collaboratively. We will stop the obstruction of public participation. We will welcome active participation by everyone.

We will re-organize the administration so that it is less expensive and more effective. We will hold Yarrow Bay accountable for the costs of their massive development and live within our means without raising taxes. We will not support Yarrow Bay’s plan to form a special taxing district that puts the burden of their development on taxpayers.

We will support reasonable growth. We will streamline permits for existing businesses, and support small builders. We will protect our neighborhoods, environment, lakes, streams and natural areas. Improve our quality of life and help maintain our property values.

The future of Black Diamond is bright. As your Mayor, we will preserve the character and natural beauty of the town we love.

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Rebecca Olness

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Occupation: Retired Educator; Mayor, City of Black Diamond
Statement: The next four years are critical as we look forward to carefully planned growth and continued financial security in Black Diamond. A strong, experienced Mayor is needed to ensure that the conditions for development set by the City Council are followed to protect the environment and maintain the rural charm of our community.

With my background in education, leadership skills, and experience as a City Councilor and Mayor, I am the best person to lead our City.

My record speaks for itself. Being Mayor has been and will continue to be a full-time job for me. I have kept the City out of litigation and bankruptcy. For eight years I have worked for and with the citizens to protect Black Diamond. This is a time for ongoing leadership based on solid principles of integrity and innovation as we welcome new businesses, services and neighbors. Please vote Olness for Mayor!

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Council Position No. 2

Erika Morgan

Education: Masters in Medical Laboratory Science Bachelor of Science in Ecology
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Statement: Black Diamond has been home for 35 years, I have served on advisory committees, and attend Council meetings over this time. Our government works best when citizens are respected and new ideas welcomed.

That is what went wrong, Yarrow Bay convinced a small group of people that their way was the only way.

We know now that the people of Black Diamond don’t want a future that would turn our town into just another over-crowded, stressed-out and taxed-out urban sprawled city.

We want City Hall to reduce the negative impacts of Yarrow Bay’s massive development. We want no special taxing districts or other developer subsidies. We want permit decisions that protect the public interest. We want a plan that preserves our well thought out coordinated village.

I will respect you, listen to your ideas, and work with you to do the right thing for everyone. That’s the Black Diamond way.

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Bill Roth

Education: Business Management Degree
Occupation: Over 30 year’s sales and business management experience
Statement: I have lived in Black Diamond for nearly 14 years, raised my family here and plan to retire here.

I am running for city council to create a climate for success, which will support our local businesses, attract new business and ensure responsible growth. Throughout, we must remain good stewards of our environment and protect our natural resources. Additionally, it will be my top priority to assure our city provides the best possible public safety and other essential services to the citizens of Black Diamond.

We face serious challenges in our community, but with each challenge comes a new opportunity. Through a spirit of reconciliation and a calm approach, I intend to bring our community together and restore trust in city government. If we work together, I am confident Black Diamonds best days are still ahead of us!

Please vote for me, Bill Roth for Black Diamond City Council!

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### Council Position No. 3

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### Council Position No. 4

**Janie Edelman**

**Education:** Holy Names Academy, Seattle; Yakima Valley College and Green River College, emphasis on Business Administration  
**Occupation:** Current City Council Member, Retired from the Boeing Company  
**Statement:** I have lived in the community since 1989 and was appointed to the City Council this year to fill a vacancy  
During my career as a Boeing manager, I was responsible for creating, negotiating and maintaining large budgets. I have had to make the hard decisions. I believe that the City must fund essential services adequately, maintain reserves, use resources efficiently and effectively and ensure that growth pays for growth. We must have adequate emergency personnel with modern and well maintained equipment.  
I believe that preserving the rural character of our community is essential to our quality of life. Developers must be held accountable and not a burden to the City. Citizens must be heard, listened to and respected. City government must be open, transparent and understandable to the public.  
Endorsed by Council Members Benson, Deady, Goodwin, and Taylor.  
Vote to keep Janie Edelman as your representative on the Council.

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### Council Position No. 4

**Shawn Oglesbee**

**Education:** Cheney High School Graduate, U.S. Army Veteran - Administration School  
**Occupation:** Construction Project Engineer/Manager - All New Glass Inc.  
**Statement:** My wife Melissa and I have been married for 12 years and have three children – Izek, Cole and Rebecca. Black Diamond is our family’s home and I am committed to preserving the City’s character and improving public safety.  
I serve on the “Labor Days” Committee, help at the “Farmer’s Market” and volunteer at the Historical Society/Museum – sharing our history with visitors. I also helped reestablish our local Cub Scout Pack.  
My experience in project management and my common sense approach will bring important skills to the Council at this critical time. Unlike most cities, Black Diamond has a great opportunity to manage growth the right way and I will work hard to make sure that happens.  
Black Diamond is a great place to live and I want to do my part to keep it that way by representing you on the City Council.  
I would appreciate your vote.

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### Council Position No. 4

**Carol Benson**

**Education:** Bellevue Community College, University of Washington  
**Occupation:** Retired, Chief Financial Officer in the development industry  
**Statement:** As a resident for 34 years, I would like to protect the quality of our Black Diamond community.  
I have served on the City Council since March of 2012. I believe in open and transparent Government and have encouraged citizen participation at all levels. I frequently volunteer at the Black Diamond Community Center. I am an active member of the Lake Sawyer Community Club and served as Treasurer for several years.  
With an extensive background in finance and development, my goal is to stabilize our City’s financial picture with a five year sustainable budget, as Yarrow Bay continues to withdraw funding related to the “Funding Agreement”, and to ensure the developer is held accountable for their plat applications. My vision is gradual development that takes into consideration our roads, transportation, schools and the protection of the environment and would preserve the small town atmosphere.

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Council Position No. 2

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Council Position No. 4

Joseph T. Cimaomo, Jr.

Education: AA from Highline Community College
Occupation: Retail Manager
Statement: As a Covington area resident for fourteen years, I've seen Covington become the fastest growing city in the state, in terms of retail growth. To ensure this growth continues I want to focus on our roads. With better roads, we have the opportunity to encourage more people and businesses to come into Covington and experience how great our city is.

With continued growth, we will also need to grow our Public Safety presence. With new growth, the city will take in additional revenue that will enable us to add additional officers so we can continue to keep Covington safe.

I have been endorsed by Rep. Mark Hargrove 47th LD, the 47th LD GOP, and the King County GOP, please go to Facebook.com/cimaomo4covingtoncitycouncil for a full listing. I live and work in Covington and would be honored to represent you on the City Council. I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

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David Lucavish

Education: No information submitted.
Occupation: Owner of Eagle Computers
Statement: I have the experience and expertise to represent you on the Covington City Council. I have served on the council since 2008 and additionally have served on two Kent School District Advisory Committees since 2005. Furthermore served on the Covington Chamber of Commerce board of directors and have been on the Covington Economic Development Council; twice as Co-Chair. I have served on Puget Sound Regional Council Economic Development District.

I believe in a diverse council, with assorted ideas, that respects each other, collaborates with each other, has a vision for our city and that cooperates with neighboring communities to make it better for all in this region. I continue to work on community issues: Kent Kangley traffic, police and safety, parks for children and adults, quality of our roads.

I look forward to continuing serving on the council as we move into the future. Thank you for your vote!

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Council Position No. 6

James A. Scott, Sr.

Education: UW-Big Bend CC-LUTCF certified
Occupation: Financial Services Professional
29 years-24 management
Statement: I’m proud of my over 12 years of service to our City; listening to engaged citizens of Covington and acting on issues in a timely manner. My goal is to continue my service for another term, with your help. We have issues that need attention and I want to be part of the solution.

Public safety has improved but I believe we need more officers on evening shifts. Transportation within our City needs to improve. Completing the Jenkins creek bridge to open up this bottle neck will help.

Our Covington Community park opened June 8th and it’s just the beginning of our focus on recreation. Renovations to our pool are about to begin. Regional trails planning phase is almost complete, construction should begin soon.

Our Town Center vision is in focus and we need to begin finding the right partners. I need your support to make your voice heard. Jim Scott

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Zbigniew George Tomalik

Education: No information submitted.
Occupation: No information submitted.
Statement: My drive towards serving the City of Covington comes from a strong desire to combine my neighborhood and corporate management experience to bring fresh ideas for improving the already great quality of life in Covington, for all of us.

My family and I have lived in Covington since 1983. As a longtime resident of Wood Creek neighborhood, I was elected to the Wood Creek HOA in 2003 and became its president in 2005, a volunteer position which I still proudly hold. As a strong supporter of kids’ sports, I have served as a soccer coach for Covington Community Sports.

Professionally, I have been a General Manager of a local subsidiary of Saint-Gobain/CertainTeed for over 6 years. I am credited with taking over financially unstable business and turning it into a company profitable for the past 5 years, with cost reductions achieved through more efficient operations instead of reductions in personnel.

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Council Position No. 1

Matt Pina

Education: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration / Finance from Central Washington University.

Occupation: Manager, Information Technology - Quality Assurance and Engineering

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

As a city councilmember, I continue to give priority to key government services ensuring community safety and financial stability. My focus remains on the city’s revitalization. When re-elected, I will continue to partner with citizens, community groups and businesses, to understand their concerns and communicate their input during the decision making process. We must continue to move forward together to improve the city’s business climate, while being sensitive to the needs and desires of its citizens.

I ask for your vote on Nov 5th so we can continue to revitalize our wonderful waterfront city.

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Council Position No. 3

Victor L. Pennington, II

Education: Mt. Rainier High School/Highline Community College/Bates Technical College/ Columbia Southern University

Occupation: Deputy Fire Chief; 38yrs serving Des Moines/Normandy Park/Federal Way

Statement: I Believe that it’s critical to focus on this community’s long term sustained financial stability. I Embrace Implementing and Maintaining Efficiencies.

I have worked through budgeting processes and revenue streams during the Best of Times and the Hardest of Times. I regularly work with a variety of community stakeholders, multiple public and private agencies, local, state and federal regulatory agencies, elected officials & labor leaders.

I have been working in the fire service nearly my entire life; Thank you for trusting me with your Lives & Property.

I Believe the Most Important Function of Government; is to Safeguard its citizens and Provide Well-Delivered Basic Services.

I Will work to Strengthen Relationships between local government and the folks that Live, Work, Play and Shop in Des Moines while advocating for a logical thought-out approach to growth and stability, while maintaining a Balanced Livable Community.

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Jeremy Nutting

**Education:** Clark Community College, Highline Community College

**Occupation:** Des Moines Business Owner. Councilmember, voted in unanimously by Council

**Statement:** I am a well-established successful local building contractor, business owner and employer, committed to staying on time and on budget. Familiar with all the requirements and regulations contained in contracts with private industry and government entities throughout the State.

As an 11yr resident and dedicated family man, my wife, Yvonne, and I live here with our two daughters, Natalie 7 & Lilah 5. I am a loyal community member, an active member of PTSA (WatchDOGS), a boater and participate in multiple City of Des Moines and Des Moines Farmers Market Events, including the DMFM Chili-Cook-Off.

I am honored to be a councilmember and want to continue working for our community, building strong relationships, attracting stable businesses, filling homes in our neighborhoods, keeping our residents safe, protecting the quality of life and character of our amazing city and creating a beautiful ‘destination’ city!

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James Payne

**Education:** Bachelors Degree: Law & Justice (CWU), attending Graduate School (Public Administration)

**Occupation:** Washington National Guard Officer

**Statement:** My priorities: SECURITY & PROSPERITY. I'll use my prior Business and Government experience, education in Economics and Community Development, to work for the people of Des Moines. SECURITY: Des Moines experienced increasing levels of crime and neighborhood decay over the past decade. Crime is harming families, homeowners, and small businesses. So many victims – perhaps including you.

As a Block-watch Captain, I've been actively-involved in dealing with this crime-wave. I'll work to allocate sufficient funding for essential government services like police, to preserve our neighborhoods.

PROSPERITY: There are too many vacant lots, run-down strip-malls, and boarded-up stores downtown. City Council has failed to “take care of business.” I'm for job creation and economic growth. I'll work to create favorable conditions which attract businesses to Des Moines.

My wife and I are currently expecting twins and want to raise our children in a safe and productive environment. Please check my website and Vote Payne.

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Melissa Musser

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Department Lead/ Legal Administrator at Leahy McLean Fjelstad

**Statement:** I have been fortunate to serve our city for the past four years. During that time I have supported the simplification of building codes that encourage residential improvements, commercial development and new housing. I have served as a member of the Highline Community Coalition in an effort to make Des Moines a more vibrant and healthy community in which to raise a family and age in place. I am passionate and committed to improving our roadways through complete streets, safe routes to school and access to open play spaces. I will continue to work with our community members on the issues and matters important to our city including: sustainable and thoughtful development of the marina floor, support of community programs and events including the Farmers Market and the Arts Commission and continued support of our police guild and command staff with the goal of preserving public safety.

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**Dave Kaplan**

**Council Position No. 7**

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

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

**Statement:** Hard Work. Common Sense. Integrity.

That is what you should expect and demand from your elected officials, and that is what you have and will continue to receive from me.

Under my leadership, your City Council has been working hard: to reduce regulations that have hindered economic development; to make processes more efficient; and to provide creativity in problem solving. We are working hard to build an economic base that will sustain City services into the future. None of this is easy, nor can be fixed overnight. It took decades of neglect to get this way. But in applying common sense approaches, we are making progress.

I have worked hard, applied common sense, and made decisions with integrity based on what I believe are in the long-term best interests of the City. I hope I’ve again earned your trust when you cast your vote on November 5th. Thank you!

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**Veronica Galvan**

**Municipal Court Judge**

**Education:** JD University of Washington School of Law; BA Sociology Western Washington University

**Occupation:** Des Moines Municipal Court Judge; Instructor Seattle University Law School

**Statement:** As your presiding judge and a former prosecuting attorney, I understand the delicate balance of protecting our citizens while ensuring individual rights.

I have 12 years of judicial experience, six as Judge for Des Moines where I added services while saving thousands of dollars for our city by implementing innovative budgeting strategies.

A recognized leader in the community, my judicial colleagues elected me President of our statewide judicial association. I happily serve our community as a member of the Des Moines Rotary. I am bilingual and the only judge in Washington to preside in two languages without an interpreter.

Rated “exceptionally well qualified” by seven bar associations including the King County Bar. Endorsed by over 80 judges, including seven State Supreme Court Justices; every member of the Des Moines City Council; Congressman Adam Smith; Representatives Dave Upthegrove, Tina Orwall, Linda Kochmar, and Roger Freeman; Local Firefighters, Democrats, Republicans and Independents.

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**David Gehrke**

**Municipal Court Judge**

**Education:** University of Washington, BA and JD

**Occupation:** Respected trial attorney specializing in personal injury and criminal defense

**Statement:** For the first time, Des Moines residents have the opportunity to elect a judge for their Municipal Court. David Gehrke is someone we know – someone we trust to do what’s right.

A lifelong resident of the Des Moines area, David has worked hard to earn the trust of the community where he lives, works, and raised his family. He is deeply committed to making Des Moines a great place to live.

David Gehrke will bring 35 years of skill as a respected trial attorney to our community court. With a broad range of legal experience, David views all cases as significant and treats everyone with compassion and respect.

Rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by King County Bar Association. Endorsed by South King County Firefighters (IAFF Local 2024), former Police Chiefs Roger Baker and Rick Kieffer, MLK County Labor Council, and small business owners throughout Des Moines. Complete endorsement list: www.gehrkeforjudge.com

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Mayor

Liz Reynolds

Education: No information submitted.
Occupation: No information submitted.
Statement: During the last four years, Mayor Liz Reynolds has put her words into positive actions by creating collaborative relationships between the City, the region and the people she serves.

During the worst financial times since the Great Depression, Reynolds implemented a new city government model that secured services without increasing taxes and required the city to operate within its means. Reynolds secured significant amounts of grant dollars, lowered the City’s debt ratio and improved the level of public safety and various city services by implementing proactive and creative methods for government operations.

By taking a more business-like approach to the budget, prioritizing services, reducing costs and pushing for more efficient uses of resources, the city is positioned to capture the many opportunities that lie before us.

Reynolds looks forward to working FOR YOU and WITH YOU, so Enumclaw can thrive.

Thank you for your vote.

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Council Position No. 1

Morgan Irwin

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Pamela Harding

No photo submitted

Education: No information submitted.
Occupation: No information submitted.
Statement: I must reluctantly withdraw my candidacy for Enumclaw City Council. Though I remain committed to contributing to Enumclaw my professional life has grown to an extent where I cannot provide the time that is required of an effective council member. I thank all of those who have encouraged and supported my candidacy and I am confident that the other candidate will do a fine job.

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Shelby DeVol

Education: - Enumclaw High School Graduate
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Occupation: Finance Manager & Event Coordinator

Statement: I decided to run for Enumclaw City Council because I genuinely want to make a positive impact on the city, its people and businesses. Although I come from a strong business background, it is important to have a balance between private and public sectors to serve the citizens best. In the future, I envision Enumclaw an economically strong, thriving town with the same aspects we love such as the unique, inviting, small town atmosphere. If elected, I will do my very best to involve and inform the citizens of decisions that will impact the community because after all, I am here to serve!

On city council, my first priority will focus on fiscal responsibility. I also plan to keep Enumclaw a business-friendly city and also work towards utilizing the Enumclaw Expo Center more to attract tourism (and revenue for the city).

I hope to earn the opportunity to serve you!

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Mike Sando

Education: BA in Political Science from Western Washington University

Occupation: Government Teacher and Track Coach at Enumclaw High School

Statement: In my experience of working as an assistant to a State Senator for eight years, teaching and coaching over the past ten, working as a leader in our schools over the past five, and currently serving on the planning commission, I know the value of finding compromise and building consensus. My interests are using my experience with the state and county government to help our community focus on building a vibrant and dynamic future. My strengths are talking with people, working on issues, and seeking positive outcomes—this is what I hope to bring to our city.

I came to Enumclaw eight years ago and feel so fortunate to live, work, and to raise my family here. It is important to be mindful of the wonderful legacy that the city has and to work to improve for our future—together.

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Tom Mann

Education: Madison Heights High School, attended University of Virginia at Wise, Graduate, Anderson Area Vocational Technical School

Occupation: Conflict resolution and labor relations consultant

Statement: Recent years have been difficult for families, workers, and businesses. As your Councilman I will prioritize things that really matter:

Road maintenance. Leadership has failed to implement a road maintenance program. Failing roads are barriers to economic growth and citizen mobility. I will work to develop a common sense plan for improving and maintaining streets and infrastructure.

Utility bills. Cost overruns, change orders, and poor management of the new sewage plant led to utility rate increases. I will provide REAL oversight of our public utility projects.

Accountability. I will insist upon communication with citizens about decisions at City Hall, including restoring funding for the senior center and youth and family services.

I’m a long time resident of Enumclaw and a 35-year member of the Teamsters. As a union representative, I know how to serve people and address their needs. I know how to bring people together and find common solutions.

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Juanita Carstens

Education: Central High School, Colorado-United State Air Force/Personnel Specialist-Real Estate Broker

Occupation: Retired Real Estate Owner/Broker, Enumclaw Rotary President Elect (2014/2015)

Statement: My vision as an elected official is not to tell you what you need and are going to get, but to listen to your wants and needs and get the City to that point.

As an elected official it would be my duty to make tough financial decisions that promote a safe and healthy environment for you to raise your families and live in peace. It would be my job to make sure you have streets that are drivable, utilities that run efficiently and parks that are attractive and inviting. I would strive to make City policies friendly toward current and future business. Additionally, it would be my responsibility to do this in a way that doesn’t increase taxes to our Citizens.

As your elected City Council Member I pledge to work with you towards these goals.

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Council Position No. 7

Hoke Overland

Education: University of Washington School of Medicine Paramedic  Attended Green River Community College - Business

Occupation: Chief of Operations King County Medic One (Paramedic 35 years)

Statement: It's time to change direction if we are to bring prosperity to our city. By pursuing quality economic development, Enumclaw can gain much-needed tax revenue to help support city services and streets. We will keep getting the same disappointing results if we simply continue doing what we're doing.

My priorities include: • Creating balanced economic development through attracting new businesses  • Generating recreational tourism by energizing our Expo Center and creating a vibrant downtown  • Establishing planned, quality residential growth (gated and senior communities)

We must keep tax rates low, boost our home values, and maintain our small-town charm while improving the quality of life for our families and seniors.

My children attended Enumclaw K-12, and I have served in various Enumclaw organizations. I’m a fiscal conservative who uses common sense, has governmental, business, budget and leadership skills.

Let’s get Enumclaw moving forward with a fresh, collaborative approach.

Thank You!

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Sean Krebs

Education: Certified Municipal Leader through the Association of Washington Cities

Occupation: REI, Inc.

Statement: If elected to the Enumclaw City Council, I will bring experience and leadership to position 7. I have served three terms as a City Council Member, am currently Mayor Pro Tem, and chair the Finance and Community & Economic Development Committees. I am past President of the King County Fair Board and a Certified Municipal Leader through the Association of Washington Cities.

I understand our budget process and appreciate the responsibility to be good stewards with taxpayer dollars and infrastructure needs.

As the most experienced Council Member candidate, my leadership will be crucial as the City works its way through the Comprehensive Plan review process. The Comprehensive Plan is a state-required document that impacts nearly all the decisions and planning for the City for the next several years. My experience and common sense approach to leadership are necessary to best position Enumclaw for the future. I’d appreciate your vote.

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**Mayor**

**Jim Ferrell**

**Education:** Law Degree, Gonzaga, 1993; Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington, 1989

**Occupation:** Federal Way City Council Deputy Mayor; Senior Prosecutor, King County

**Statement:** You deserve a Mayor that shows true leadership, serves as your advocate and stands up for what is right for the future of this City; a Mayor with a vision for a vibrant downtown core, that values public safety as a top priority.

As your Mayor, I will:

- **Increase public safety:** We recently experienced a 25% increase in burglaries while the current mayor has cut police officer funding. As a prosecutor with two decades of experience, I am committed to making Federal Way a safer city and I’m honored to be endorsed by our Police Officer’s and Lieutenant’s Guilds.

- **Create a vibrant city core:** By attracting living-wage jobs, retail development, and a downtown park; and

- **Increase fiscal responsibility:** By eliminating wasteful spending and unnecessary projects. I will always serve as steward of your hard-earned tax dollars.

**We Can Do Better! Vote Jim Ferrell for Mayor**

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**Skip Priest**

**Education:** Brewer H.S., Willamette University: B.A., National Law Center at George Washington University: J.D. with Honors

**Occupation:** Mayor—City of Federal Way

**Statement:** As your first elected Mayor, public safety is my number one priority. Through innovative programs such as Safe City, we have reduced home burglary and kept our neighborhoods safe. We have also created a responsible budget—maintaining essential services like vibrant parks and well maintained streets—while keeping our tax rate one of the county’s lowest. My vision for our city is focused on developing a vibrant downtown, bringing in new businesses like DaVita, and ensuring that we have the revenues necessary to maintain city priorities while keeping taxes low. I have been honored to again receive an “Outstanding” rating by the Municipal League and voted “Best City Leader” by Federal Way Mirror readers the last three years. With your vote and support, I will continue to work for safe neighborhoods, new family wage jobs, and a high quality of life for our residents.

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**Council Position No. 2**

**Kelly Maloney**

**Education:** Gonzaga University, Masters in Communications and Leadership, current enrollee. University of Houston, BA in Communications.

**Occupation:** Director of Marketing, executive team at Orion Industries.

**Statement:** Kelly Maloney’s **new vision** for Federal Way could create jobs, increase public safety, and improve roads so everyone in the city is better off.

Kelly is working to attract research colleges to Federal Way to increase the standard of living for all residents. This initiative could create 5 jobs for Federal Way residents for every 1 job brought to the city. She is also leading the rebranding of FW to enhance the city’s positive image.

She has volunteered for the PTA, Communities in Schools, Federal Way Symphony, Boys and Girls Clubs, and Multi-Service Center. **Kelly’s volunteer work has been part of a broader effort bringing hundreds of jobs to Federal Way.**


Rated OUTSTANDING by the Municipal League

Kelly believes **community input is essential**, and is striving to make Federal Way a community we can all be proud of.

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**Mark Koppang**

**Education:** Leadership, Klemmer & Associates 2012, Bachelors Theology, 1986

**Occupation:** National Accounts Manager, Ampac & Member FW Chamber of Commerce

**Statement:** My wife and I, along with our children, have made Federal Way home for the last 17 years. I’m running for city council because I care about our city and I am committed to contributing to its future.

**We need more great paying jobs in Federal Way.** By creating economic development zones for industries like healthcare, technology, green industries, and light-industrial manufacturing, we can create long-term economic stability.

**A vibrant downtown means jobs.** I will promote policies that encourage investment in our downtown. Working with neighborhoods and developers, our downtown can be transformed. This will create opportunity and livability for future generations.

**Improving neighborhood safety is essential.** You should feel safe, especially in your home. Along with supporting our police department, I want to see the Safe City program expanded to every neighborhood interested in a twenty-first century "block-watch".

**I’m committed to serving you. Vote “Koppang for council” November 5th.**

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**Council Position No. 4**

**John Fairbanks**

- **Education:** Community College of the Air Force
- **Occupation:** Manufacturing Business Owner working with Private and Public/Government Entities
- **Statement:** VOTE JOHN FAIRBANKS

The incumbent has been on council for 16 years. *It is time for change*. Many crucial decisions need to be made now and in the future. Studying these I know that I can help guide and keep our city moving forward.

The youngest of 7 boys I *thrive when challenged*. Support continues growing everyday as people learn about my skills and *experience* in personal, military and business life. They know I would be a valuable asset to the council.

Myself and others look forward to my serving on our council that is why I have endor...
**Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1**

**Rebecca C. Robertson**

**Education:** Juris Doctor, Seattle University School of Law. B.A. Political Science, University of Washington.

**Occupation:** Judge, Federal Way Municipal Court, Position One.

**Statement:** Judge Rebecca Robertson will be honored to serve a second term as Judge in Federal Way Municipal Court. During her first term, Judge Robertson has helped make your Municipal Court one of the most respected in the state, working especially hard to make it more efficient and responsive while protecting and preserving public safety.

Judge Robertson is a leader among judges statewide, serving on the District and Municipal Court Judges’ Association Board of Directors and key judicial committees.

Judge Robertson values her time teaching law to young people in Federal Way Schools and participating in the South King County YMCA High School Mock Trial Competition held at your Municipal Court every year. She values Federal Way’s diversity and appreciates the opportunity to continue to serve the community for the next four years and beyond.

Judge Robertson would be proud to have your vote.

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**Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2**

**Dave Larson**

**Education:** Juris Doctor, Seattle University Law School (1984); Bachelor of Arts, University of Puget Sound (1980)

**Occupation:** Municipal Court Judge

**Statement:** It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you as a judge in the community that has been my home for 46 years. I am grateful that you have given me this opportunity and I take my role as a steward of justice very seriously. I look forward to four more years serving you as a judge in one of the best municipal courts in the State of Washington. We will continue to work together to make our court a model for other courts across this state. Thank you for your vote.

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Suzette Cooke

Education: Western Washington University, recreation management B.A., mathematics, music; UPS, business administration post-graduate studies
Occupation: Mayor of Kent
Statement: Suzette Cooke has demonstrated leadership in making Kent your city through neighborhood councils, lower crime rates, and government efficiencies. Working closely with the council and city staff, we balanced the budget through a tough recession. Employees went four years without pay increases, and we eliminated 101 positions without reducing police and human service funding.
Your vote of support will ensure we continue our shared initiatives: safe clean neighborhoods and walkways; re-enforced Green River levees; neighborhood response police teams and bicycle patrols; increased local job choices; collaboration with schools and private organizations for youth activities; attractive parks for all ages; and financial stability.
Suzette Cooke’s 38 years of serving Kent residents include mayor, state representative, chamber of commerce executive, Senior Center director, charter president of Kent-Sunrise Rotary, high school club advisor, Saturday Market manager, and King County Transit and Flood Control Committees. She has taught English, Greek, sports and music.

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Tim Clark

Education: B.A., Seattle University; M.A., Pepperdine University; Principals’ Certification, CWU
Occupation: School Board Member, Former Kent Councilmember (16 years), Teacher, Coach
Statement: For decades I’ve dedicated myself to improving the lives of Kent families and small businesses from the classroom, the council, and even the field.

Kent is a growing and dynamic city, but to reach our potential we need a Mayor committed to transparency, fiscal responsibility, and regional leadership.
Instead, city finances are troubled, decisions are made without needed public input, and we’re falling behind other communities in delivering vital human services, transportation investments, and law enforcement.
I am running for Mayor to build on my proven record of vision and leadership developed as a councilmember when we made critical projects, like Kent Station and the 272nd/277th Corridor, a reality. Together we can build a better Kent focused on stronger neighborhoods, safer streets, transit and road improvements, and a thriving downtown.
ENDORSED: Kent Education Association, King County Labor Council, Aerospace Machinists, City Councilmember Elizabeth Albertson and Former Mayor Jim White

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David Wade Schwartz

Education: Idaho State University: Sociology & Fine Arts
Occupation: Business Owner in downtown Kent "Best of Kent 2 years"
Statement: I’m running for City Council to bring my experience as a business owner and record of community service to make Kent a better place to live and work.
As chair of the Kent Human Services Commission, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Board Member of Kent Downtown Partnership, Board Member of the Greater Kent Historical Society, and Homeless Taskforce, I have experience working to build a better Kent. I co-founded Kent Pride and have volunteered with numerous programs that address our schools, homelessness, and HIV/AIDS issues.
We need leadership to improve transportation, job growth, and build a safe and inclusive community. I’ll develop long-term planning to address traffic congestion, broaden our economy and support local businesses.
Endorsed by King County Democrats, Former State Representative Katrina Asay (R), Kent City Councilmember Elizabeth Albertson, Mayor Dave Kaplan, Mark Albertson, Kent Morrill, and many more.
I humbly ask for your vote.

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Jim Berrios

Education: High school graduate and two years at Orange Coast College.
Occupation: Owner, Golden Steer Steak & Rib House, 1999 to present.
Statement: Jim Berrios has the real-world experience to help make Kent a better place to live, work and raise our families. Here’s why.
First, Jim’s responsibilities as operations manager for a national company involved budgeting and negotiating contracts. Second, owning and operating a successful restaurant that employs over 40 people has added even more practical knowledge. Finally, Jim, Suzanne and their three grown children have volunteered with dozens of community service organizations. Currently, Jim is president of the Kent Chamber of Commerce and serves on Green River College Foundation’s board of directors. He is past president of the Kent School District board of directors.
This real-world experience translates directly into allowing Jim Berrios to participate responsibly in Kent’s budgeting and spending challenges, including working to improve police staffing levels and strengthening road repair services.
I would be honored to receive your vote and to serve you on the Kent City Council.

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Dennis R. Higgins, Jr.

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

**Occupation:** Information Technology Supervisor / Project Manager

**Statement:** It is an honor to serve you on the Kent City Council. I know that residents and businesses rely on well-run government services like streets and police. Restoring street maintenance and repairing the city’s finances have been my focus in my first term.

Decisions made in Seattle and Olympia greatly impact Kent. Our leaders need to ensure that Kent, the 6th-largest city in Washington, receives its fair share. I sit on several regional committees and am working to increase Kent’s influence.

During the next four years, I will continue to work on public safety, community centers, and finding better ways to connect the people of Kent with their government.

Kent is our home - I am proud of it - and I appreciate the opportunity to help improve the city. Please continue to share your hopes and concerns with me.

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Ken Sharp

**Education:** Graduate, Stadium High School. Graduate, Washington State University with a degree in Psychology.

**Occupation:** Own and operate Minuteman Press of Kent

**Statement:** Kent is a wonderful city that has been good to me and my family. My goal, as a working City Council member, will be to make Kent an even better place … a community that we can all be proud of … a complete community that provides family-wage jobs and great places to live.

I’ve been an active volunteer with dozens of community organizations, including service as past president of the Kent Chamber of Commerce and a board member of the Kent Downtown Partnership. As a hands-on worker in the Easthill and downtown cleanup projects, I’ve demonstrated my longtime commitment to Kent, plus gained the maturity and wisdom to work on our shared goal of making Kent a great place for our diverse population.

Working together I know we can achieve our vision of making Kent an even better place. If you agree, I’d appreciate your support and your vote.

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Bailey Stober

**Education:** Public School K-12, Studied Political Science and Economics at Green River Community College

**Occupation:** Executive Assistant, State of Washington

**Statement:** I believe we can do more to make Kent an attractive, safe and welcoming place to live and do business. I’ve been working hard in our Capitol representing working families on issues ranging from education policy to economic development.

I’m the only candidate with a plan to establish stable funding for senior and veterans services and protecting the most vulnerable. I’ll act quickly to improve traffic, maintain our infrastructure and hire the additional police officers needed to keep our neighborhoods safe.

Others expect you to pay more taxes while watching state and federal funding slip by. I will leverage regional relationships to make sure we are getting our fair share while keeping our taxes low.

I’m endorsed by 40 elected officials, our former police chief, fire commissioners and school board members because of my experience and track record of delivering results.

I’d be honored to have your vote.

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Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1

Karli Kristine Jorgensen

**Education:** University of Washington – BA and JD; Seattle University – Masters Degree in Public Administration

**Occupation:** Kent Municipal Court Judge

**Statement:** Judge Karli Jorgensen was appointed Kent Municipal Court Judge in 2011 after serving the City of Kent and other King County courts as a Judge Pro Tem for 18 years. She considers it a privilege to serve the people on the Kent Municipal Court bench and is honored by the opportunity to bring her extensive experience to the Kent community.

Judge Jorgensen is a former prosecutor with particular expertise in domestic violence. She has spent her entire legal career in public service working with the legal and human issues facing working people. Her skill and proven experience in the courtroom are important assets to the community trial courts where most citizens see justice at work.

Endorsed by: King County Democrats; 33rd and 47th District Democrats; Dan Satterberg, King County Prosecuting Attorney; Rep. Dave Upthegrove; MLK County Labor Council; National Women’s Political Caucus of Washington; and more than eighty Washington judges.

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Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2

Glenn M. Phillips

**Education:** B.S. Law Enforcement, University of Evansville; J.D. Gonzaga University School of Law

**Occupation:** Kent Municipal Court Judge, Position 2

**Statement:** 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 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 service in the U.S. Air Force, I graduated with honors from Gonzaga University School of Law. I have 29 years of judicial experience as a Magistrate, Judge Pro-Tem, Court Commissioner and Judge. I am dedicated to the improvement of the judiciary in Washington. I was honored by my peers by being elected President of the Washington State District and Municipal Court Judges Association for the year 2009 - 2010 and have periodically served on the faculty of the Washington State Judicial College.

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

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Council Position No. 2

Bill Allison

Education: Studied at North Central University
Occupation: Co-Founder I-5 Driving School
Statement: Our city of Maple Valley has become a nationally recognized place to raise a family and with that recognition, comes the necessity for continued growth in service to our community. While we continue to face the pains of growth our goal is to never lose the charm of what brought each person here in the first place.

Our city continues to face challenges both old and new; lack of adequate athletic fields for youth and adults, and developing a sustainable diverse revenue source without raising a homeowner’s property tax.

I would like to thank you for choosing me as your representative on the Maple Valley city council four years ago. I have enjoyed being able to serve our community as your voice and look forward to continuing my service and working together to continue making Maple Valley the best city to raise our families.

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Council Position No. 4

Erin Weaver

Education: B.A. in math and physics, minor in history from Western Washington University
Occupation: Mathematics Teacher
Statement: Maple Valley is an exceptional city with a friendly community, natural setting and excellent schools. Maple Valley’s rapid growth has brought challenges that require thoughtful decision-making. These include: comprehensive planning for the Donut Hole, continued economic development to diversify our tax base and build jobs, address transportation issues and create a park system for all to enjoy.

It has been a privilege to serve as your city council representative. Collaborative partnerships, both locally and regionally, are critical to our city’s future success and is a primary and continued goal. I will work diligently to bring economic vitality to Maple Valley while protecting the small town charm that we enjoy.

Council assignments have included: public safety oversight, audit, healthy community coalition, Cedar River council, Puget Sound regional council planning committee and Sound Cities association.

I would appreciate your support. I look forward to helping build a successful future for Maple Valley.

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Write-in

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## Council Position No. 6

### Leslie Burberry

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Cincinnati Christian University  
**Occupation:** AAA Washington Regional Sales Manager  
**Statement:** Maple Valley let’s put first things first. This fall is the time to set our course to complete important tasks. Let’s continue to make Maple Valley a desirable place to live and partner with the Tahoma School District on projects that will benefit both of us. Let’s provide for the recreation needs of our children and move forward with new ball fields. And let’s make Maple Valley a business friendly environment with smart development and business, keeping the character and flavor of our town. Let’s keep sales tax paid by Maple Valley residents in Maple Valley.

Although a transplant, after 16 years my family and I are rooted in Maple Valley. I bring a new perspective and fresh ideas to the council. I enjoy hearing people’s concerns and desires and building solutions that work. Politics does not have to be divisive. For politics done differently vote Burberry for City Council.

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### Victoria Jonas

**Education:** South Seattle Community College. Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership Award (Association of Washington Cities).  
**Occupation:** Maple Valley Deputy Mayor. Retired from the Seattle Police Department.  
**Statement:** Victoria Jonas is an effective and experienced Maple Valley City Council member, 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 challenging economic times, it is more important than ever to have proven leadership you can trust representing you on our City Council.  
Victoria is the Co-Founder of our Maple Valley Farmers’ Market. Her deep commitment to Maple Valley earned her Maple Valley’s “Citizen of the Year” award and the endorsements of our Police Officers and Firefighters. Victoria’s priorities for the next four years include:  
- **Public Safety**  
- **Economic Development**  
- **Ballfields, Parks and Recreation**  
- **Annexation of “Summit Place/Donut Hole”**

Endorsements include: Lieutenant Governor Brad Owen, Senator Mark Mullet, Representative Chad Magendanz, Council member Sean P. Kelly, “One Man’s Opinion” writer and former Council member Chuck Hardaway, and the Tahoma Education Association.  
Experience matters….Re-elect Victoria!

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### Mayor

**Debra Perry**

**Education:** Variety of economics, business and commercial art; continuous certified planning and government courses.

**Occupation:** Current elected Mayor; previous Councilmember and small business owner.

**Statement:** As your Mayor, I have been dedicated to protecting the quality of life that Milton’s residents have enjoyed for generations. Some days, that requires working closely with the City Council and the City’s employees; other days, it means long hours with county or state representatives; and some of the best days are spent with our volunteer boards and commissions. It’s a very full-time job, one that I enjoy and have proven myself well qualified for.

My business background has helped me to bring a revenue-neutral, balanced budget to Milton, negotiate with East Pierce Fire District, move the Milton Police into the old library space, begin the process to strengthen our commercial areas, and create the Event Committee, ensuring the continuation of Milton Days and other community events. As your Mayor, I will continue to preserve the Milton we love while shaping the Milton of tomorrow.

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### Council Position No. 1

**Philip (Marty) Lelli, Jr.**

**Education:** Decatur High School; various continuing education classes

**Occupation:** Foreman, Pacific Maritime Association for 41 years

**Statement:** As a resident of Milton, I have watched our city’s services given away while the citizens pay for it with tax dollars. Let’s put our city back together to stand proud.

There are budgetary concerns but by cutting unnecessary spending and by utilizing our employees’ vast experience, I believe this can be done.

The seniors of Milton should be honored and respected, with additional senior services and programs. We can honor and take care of our younger generation by working closely with area organizations to develop youth programs and service opportunities, our children can grow and develop into adults we can be proud of.

We need an open, honest government to bring Milton into the future. I’m committed to our community and what the citizens of Milton want. Let’s work together to bring Milton back to the high standards we once had, bringing professionalism and dignity back to our city.

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**Lois Zaroudny**

**Education:** Graduated from Fife High School, attended Washington State University and University of Washington.

**Occupation:** Life long experience in the field of accounting.

**Statement:** I have served on Milton’s Arts Commission, Centennial Committee, Park Board, and Planning Commission. I served two years on the VFW Veterans Memorial Committee as treasurer, coordinator and fundraiser. Milton City Council (2010 to Present)

I am honored to be able to service on Milton’s City Council. My goal has been to support decisions and policies that preserve and enhance the unique quality of life that we enjoy in Milton. I believe that the primary responsibility of the Mayor and Council is to provide the citizens of Milton with high quality essential services using the tax payer’s funds judiciously.

As a longtime citizen of Milton, I appreciate the value of the services of our outstanding municipal employees. I’m looking forward to what I believe is going to be the genuinely exciting and prosperous future of our City.

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Bart Taylor

**Education:** Certificate of Municipal Leadership; Advanced Emergency Medical Technician; Computer Fundamentals.

**Occupation:** Milton City Council Member, Mayor Pro Tem since January 2010

**Statement:** Past Director of Multi County Private Ambulance Service, Deputy County Corner; Manager Information Technology Service; Youth Case Manager; Juvenile Probation Officer; Real Estate Agent. Service in Economic Development Board; Finance Ad Hoc Committee; Pierce County Regional Council; Board of Volunteer Firefighters; membership in South County Area Transportation Board; East Pierce Fire and Rescue City Liaison; City/State Legislative Advocate. The past four years have been a financial struggle for both our citizens and our local governments. I am proud to say that Milton has weathered the storm better than most small cities. Changes and consolidation of services, made needed infrastructure improvements to include needed upgrades and stability to our water system. We instituted a balanced budget. My goal for the next four years is to sustain this forward movement.

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Bryan W. Ott

**Education:** National University, San Diego, California, basic college courses, numerous Military training schools achieving specific qualifications.

**Occupation:** Terminal Operations at port of Seattle for Westway Trading Group

**Statement:** As a 5th generation Washington State resident and lifetime VFW member I have been honored to serve the community as a member of the Milton City Council. My goal is to continue to preserve the integrity and independence of Milton while maintaining its small town charm.

The current city council is an organization of dynamic and dedicated people, that I am proud to be a part of. My focus is to provide a variety of public services while staying within the city's budget in a climate of challenging economic times. With my experience, knowledge and leadership I am committed to delivering quality service for the residents while providing a safe community with a high quality of life. I will continue to serve the city with a strong work ethic and an unsurpassed commitment to this community.

I respectfully ask for your vote for re-election to the Milton City Council.

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Cheryl Reid-Simons

**Education:** Phi Beta Kappa graduate, Mills College with a degree in communication and American government

**Occupation:** Freelance writer and stay-at-home mom

**Statement:** My family moved to Milton 15 years ago and found a place we were proud to call home. It is a great city for my sons to grow up and it offered tremendous community for my elderly mother to enjoy the final years of her life. In a town like Milton, everyone should know their city council members, but they don’t. I want to help change that. I want to go out to neighborhood meetings to listen to citizen’s concerns and ideas, not wait for them to become disgruntled enough to turn up at a city council meeting. As a newspaper reporter for many years I covered city councils from Hoquiam to Kent. I understand what makes a council work for the benefit of citizens. I want to preserve the Milton electric utility and keep it strong. I want to serve this community that has given my family so much.

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**Leonard Sanderson**

**Education:** I am a Fife High School graduate and have completed many short courses.

**Occupation:** I am a retired Vice President of two major banks.

**Statement:** I have lived in Milton 61 years and I am dedicated to Milton. I have the experience, knowledge, time and dedication to represent the citizens of Milton. I will bring financial experience and long range planning experience to the Milton Council. I will represent Milton citizens interests on the Council. For easy citizen contact, I will request my telephone number be published by the City.

I served seven years on the Fife School Board, including President; 10 years on Milton Planning Commission; 12 ½ years as Milton Councilmember and 9 ½ years as Milton Mayor; Past President of Pierce County Cities and Towns Association; Tacoma Pierce County Board of Health; Pierce County Cooperative Power Association; Rainier Communications Commission; Secretary and Vice President of the Association of Washington Cities; Vice Chair of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District; member of the Pierce County Regional Council and Puget Sound Regional Council.

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- Read your entire ballot, front and back, before filling it out.
- Use a black ink pen.

- Remove and recycle the stub at the top of the ballot.

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Council Position No. 2

Brice Erickson

**Education:** Graduate of Auburn Riverside High School

**Occupation:** Laborer specializing in concrete and asphalt

**Statement:** As a life long resident of Pacific, I'm very concerned about the direction the city is taking. Present council has been distracted with frivolous issues neglecting to address important issues such as much needed street repairs. We nearly lost our city when the council refused to work with the mayor to fill vacant positions necessary to run the city effectively. The council showed a great deal of immaturity and were unprofessional in their refusal to work with the mayor who was duly elected by the citizens of Pacific. I disagree with the recent discussions about changing the city’s government from strong mayor to city manager. This would take away the voices of citizens. A city manager would answer only to council members not the voters. Pacific needs a fresh start. If elected, I promise to listen to concerns and suggestions from all citizens for the greater good of the city.

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Council Position No. 4

Vic Kave

**Education:** US Army Airborne Ranger, Associates Fire Command/Administration, BS Business (Honors Graduate for both degrees)

**Occupation:** Professional Firefighter; Small Forest Tree Farm Owner; Community Volunteer.

**Statement:** As a 20+year resident, I have seen the city grow but still maintain a small town atmosphere. I’m a combat veteran who understands the importance of sacrifice for the greater good. I also know the importance of being part of something bigger than myself. No team can succeed when the members believe they are bigger than the team. That selfish approach always results in failure in the long term. Government should work the same way. The “my way or the highway” approach doesn’t work. I have committed my life to public service and have proven leadership experiences in building successful teams that are examples to be followed. As council member, I promise to develop plans that make our city an example to be followed rather than a city to be ridiculed. Let's get back to all that is good about being Pacific. Please support me for Council.

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John C. Jones

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Manufacturing Engineering Planner

**Statement:** I feel that your trust in me four years ago has been well founded and with your assistance in the upcoming election I again look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve as your representative. I feel confident in saying that I have considered what is best for the City and its Citizens in the decisions I have made during my first term. I have served as Council President and Mayor Pro-Tem. I have served on the Public Works and Human Services Committees, South Cities Association and Pierce County Regional Council. I am involved in the Valentine and Steward Road Projects and look forward to seeing both road constructions through completion. Thank You for your continued support. I am a home owner in Pacific since 1993, I have three grown daughters, 1) granddaughter. I am a Navy Veteran, member of the American Legion and the Masonic Lodge in Auburn.

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Leanne Guier

**Education:** I Graduated from North Central High School and completed a 5 year Steamfitter Apprenticeship.

**Occupation:** Business Development Specialist for Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 32

**Statement:** I am running to retain my seat on council because I believe in our city and its’ citizens. I have chaired the Human Services Committee, sat on Public Works Committee, and currently sit on the Finance and Public Safety Committees. I have actively participated in our city’s community events for the past 7 years, including Pacific Days and our annual Spring Cleanup. My neighbors are important to me and I have demonstrated that by spending the weekend at the Community Center facilitating volunteers during the flood in January 2009. When the ice storm hit in January of 2012, I spent my weekend at the Community Center providing a warm shelter and hot food for citizens who were without power. In both of these instances, I was overwhelmed by the support of our community to help on another in times of need. This is a community I am proud to serve.

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Stacy May Knudtson

**Education:** I attended Green River Community College and trained in the welding technology program.

**Occupation:** I am employed as a driver with WorldPac.

**Statement:** I am the mother of 5 wonderful children, the youngest graduating from Auburn Riverside High in June of 2014. My children are my priority, and when involved in activities I was active in fundraising for clubs and school programs. I moved to Pacific, loving the idea of living in a small town. I started attending council and workshop meetings consistently, and grew concerned for the health of the City of Pacific.

I am running for city council position #5 because I want to make a difference in our city. I plan to work collaboratively with current and future city leaders to ensure that Pacific is a safe and prosperous city. I want Pacific to be a city with a strong sense of community that we all can feel proud to live in.

**I am proud to be endorsed by:**
- 30th District and King County Democrats
- Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce

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Gary Nitschke

**Education:** High School Graduate, 2 years Community College, 2 years Technical College

**Occupation:** Musical Instrument Repair Technician Laborer/Jack of All Trades

**Statement:** I haven’t missed a City Council meeting or Workshop in the past 28 months. I attend Planning Commission, Park Board, Finance Committee, Civil Service Committee, Public Works Committee, Special meetings, Events, and Pacific Partnerships meetings.

I volunteer at the Community Service/Senior Center on a regular basis. I’ve lived in Pacific for 12 years. The former and current Mayor asked me to be on the Council. Over the past 28 months I’ve learned quite a bit and thank everybody for there kindness especially those who got me volunteering around town. I want to add that I’m currently a member of the South King County Genealogical Society. I have certification in emergency management. I am President of the Friends Of Algona/Pacific Library. While in college I was placed on the National Deans list of Honor. While in Technical College I served on the Student Council. I’m a Certified Musical Instrument Repair Technician.

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Tren Walker

**Education:** A.A in General Studies, currently pursuing Bachelor of Science Degree in Instructional Design & Technology

**Occupation:** City Councilmember/Training and Development Consultant

**Statement:** I am running for reelection to increase the level of communication between the government and the citizens and to help rebuild the community that we all love. During my first two terms in office, I have served on the city’s Public Safety, Finance, and Human Services committees and currently serve as council president. I have also served on the Valley Regional Fire Authority board from its formation in 2007 to present.

My top priority is working with administration and other leaders to strengthen our police department and to plan for their accreditation and certification. I will work with the community services department to expand our senior and youth services by actively seeking grants to bring needed programs to Pacific.

My other priorities include:
- Investing in our park system to create family-friendly destinations
- Strengthening our neighborhoods and sense of community
- Maintaining a balanced budget
- Working to improving our city’s infrastructure

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Council Position No. 1

Randy Corman

Education: Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, UC Davis
Occupation: Renton Councilmember and Aerospace Engineering Manager
Statement: Randy Corman, Renton’s most senior councilmember and current Council President, brings a wealth of experience and proven performance to the job. He has worked hard to find collaborative solutions to complex issues while improving Renton’s quality of life and maintaining the community’s confidence in local government. He has worked to encourage new Renton retail, including the Landing, which brings sales tax and shifts burden off homeowners. He also serves on regional committees; on the I-405 Executive Committee he recently helped deliver the new I-405 access to Benson Hill. Currently, Randy is working on revitalization plans for Renton highlands, Cascade/Benson, and downtown.

Randy and his wife Cathy have five children and one grandchild living in Renton, and they are committed to this community. “It is a privilege to serve the Renton community, and I am honored by the faith the residents have placed in me. I will not let them down.”

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Council Position No. 2

Stuart Avery

Education: Graduated LWHS, Studied creative writing BCC, Studied mechanical drafting LWTC, Participated in numerous business seminars.
Statement: We desperately need a fresh breath of reason, understanding, humility and compassion on council. Renton has outgrown Old-Boy politics. Our downtown suffers, our annexed communities’ wait, our small businesses fight to survive. Our council needs engaged, involved, active leadership prepared to hit the ground running, addressing every critical issue we face. Status quo isn’t working. I have over 32 years of business experience solving problems, building relationships, and celebrating results. I know the importance of building partnerships with vested community members, and providing effective sensible solutions now, while preserving critical public services. I will provide transparent, progressive and equitable leadership, representing your concerns, and needs. There’s no greater honor, than asking for your endorsement this November. It’s time to end Old-Boy politics at City Hall by electing effective leaders, in-it for the right reasons, not motivated by political gain, but rather with a deep sense of service and stewardship.

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Armondo Pavone

Education: Shoreline Community College, Renton High School
Occupation: Local Small Business Owner
Statement: Armondo Pavone is a life-long Renton resident. For the past 28 years, he has owned and operated Armondo’s café Italiano and Melrose Grill in Renton. Armondo and his wife, Angela, live on Renton Hill and have two young sons.

Armondo’s Priorities:
• Maintain and improve vital city services such as our Police, Fire, and parks to preserve safe and secure neighborhoods.
• Support local businesses and work closely with all residents to promote economic vitality downtown and throughout the city.
• Build strong public and private partnerships to ensure that the quality of life in our community continues to be strong.

Community Service:
Renton Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, Renton Hill Neighborhood Association, Downtown Renton Association, Renton Blue Ribbon Panel.

Endorsements:
Renton Fire Fighters, Mayor Denis Law, Councilmembers Don Persson, Terri Briere, Ed Prince and Rich Zwicker. State Representative Steve Bergquist, Former State Representative Marcie Maxwell, Bishop Kirby Unti; and many more!

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Council Position No. 6

Beth Asher

Education: Bachelor of Science, Computer Networking, City University
Occupation: Broker’s assistant and also a small business owner
Statement: Renton residents deserve local leadership that fosters solutions and works toward a thriving Renton community. Empowering residents to shape Renton’s future improves local decision-making, creates a shared sense of ownership and strengthens Renton’s cultural and economic makeup. We need council members who listen - I will listen to you. I’ll engage our diverse groups of residents and partner with businesses and community groups to address community concerns.

Renton faces significant challenges in the coming years and Renton residents have a right to expect their needs to take priority. Our future depends on our city living within its means so we can maintain basic services and foster economic development. More open, transparent, accountable government with greater citizen input will give us the tools to plan responsibly in a way that benefits our residents and our city. Together we can shape sustainable programs and encourage vibrant economic development for all of Renton.

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Terri Briere

Education: Highline Community College AA Degree
Occupation: Commercial construction company owner
Statement: A lifelong resident of Renton, Terri is a proven leader in the City and throughout the region. As your Council member since 2000, Terri brings her community passion directly to Renton residents as she focuses on senior services, public safety, livable neighborhoods, responsible government and an inclusive community providing opportunity for everyone.

Selected Washington Business and Professional Woman of the Year in 2011 and Renton Outstanding Citizen in 2003, Terri represents Renton on the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive and Growth Management Board, State Pipeline Safety Committee and other important regional committees. Closer to home she is a member of many civic groups, including Renton Chamber and Friends of Renton High School.

As a past Council President, Terri is honored to receive the endorsement of Mayor Law, a majority of the Renton City Council and Renton Firefighters IAFF Local 864, along with many of Renton’s citizens and leaders.

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Municipal Court Judge

Terry L. Jurado

Education: No information submitted.
Occupation: No information submitted.
Statement: The Renton Municipal Court is a place where members of our community and other communities can expect quality customer service and efficient resolution of their case. It has been my honor to serve our city since 1999. I appreciate the trust and confidence of the citizenry of Renton when voting to retain me as the cities only elected judge. As is the case with most organizations I could not do my job effectively without the tireless dedication of the municipal court staff. These fine public employees are a shining example of what it means to be a public servant. The Mayor, and City Council, should also be recognized for their cooperation and support in making the Renton Municipal Court a place known for excellence throughout the state. I look forward to the next four years of service as your judge.

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Council Position No. 1

Verna Seal

**Education:** B.S. Political Science, Public Administration

**Occupation:** Senior Immigration Paralegal

**Statement:** **“I BELIEVE IN TUKWILA!”** For the last eight years, Verna has continued to demonstrate her commitment to the people of Tukwila not only as a City Council Member, but through her continued involvement in the community.

Verna continues to be a “go to” person when something needs to be done. She has demonstrated her commitment by continuing to serve as a member of the City of Tukwila’s Equity & Diversity Commission, remains President of the Tukwila Children’s Foundation, and is in her second year as President of the Tukwila Metropolitan Park District. Verna has served as City Council President and on the council committees over the years.

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

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

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Council Position No. 3

Allan Ekberg

**Education:** Master’s Degree, Business Administration; Bachelor of Science Business Administration; Criminal Justice Associate Degree

**Occupation:** Internet Technology Program Manager

**Statement:** Your vote counts, always. Allan seeks your vote even though he is running unopposed. Why, because he enjoys the challenge of representing you.

Allan was raised in Tukwila, he moved back with his wife to raise his son and daughter here.

Tukwila is his home. And, there’s still a lot to be done to make it a better place to live. Crime, not only on International Boulevard, but in our residential areas is a problem. One of the reasons he’s running for re-election is to ensure the recent effort the Council initiated to fight crime continues until it is successful.

Allan challenges the status quo, but as a calm, thoughtful individual. He knows our City and is a strong leader on the Council.

He appreciates your vote and will always do his best to represent you.

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Joe Henry Duffie

Education: HS Graduate, Hope, Arkansas - 1962; Graduate Command Sergeant Major Academy

Occupation: Business Man; Retired First Sergeant; Washington Army National Guard

Statement: To the Citizens of Tukwila,
I would like to thank you all for giving me another opportunity to serve you for 4 more years. I am committed to our strategic planning process to make Tukwila a safe place to work, live and play. Safety is a big priority for the City planning team and a very high priority for me personally. Additionally, the plan for Tukwila Village is continuing, I encourage you to become a part of that.

I want to serve all of my constituents the best possible way I can. I encourage you to come to the Council monthly coffee chats or to contact me personally if there is anyway I can better serve you.

Finally, I would like to build stronger partnerships between the City and the School District. Our young people are our future and providing them with the best opportunities remains a priority for me.

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De’Sean Quinn

Education: Bachelor’s Degree University of Washington

Occupation: Project Manager, King County Wastewater Treatment Division

Statement: It is an honor and privilege to serve in Tukwila. I am committed to protecting the quality of life, enhancing public safety, preserving open space and parks and protecting Tukwila’s environment. I believe in a forward leaning Tukwila. I want to preserve and grow what makes Tukwila great, while using its resources to the greatest benefit of its residents.

I will continue to listen, study, and work with city and community members to encourage fiscal responsibility and proactively shape a sustainable vision for Tukwila’s future. I will use my skills to evaluate complicated policy issues and work collaboratively toward solutions.

Working together, we can provide for Tukwila’s economic vitality, developing fiscally responsible solutions to problems, and ensure a bright future for ourselves and our children. Together we are building a community-based strong vision.

Endorsements: Washington Conservation Voters, King County Democrats, 11th District Democrats, ATU 587, MLKC Labor Council, Progressive Majority.

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Geoffery Z. McAnalloy

**Education:** Project Management Institute (PMI) - Project Management Professional (PMP)

**Occupation:** Post Sales Engineer III - Centurylink

**Statement:** As a parent of children in our district, I am committed to its success. I have been an active PTSA board member for five years and I was recognized as a FWPS Volunteer of the Year in 2011. I am devoted to building relationships between parents, teachers, principals, administration, and the community. I have three main initiatives:

- We need an **inclusive success plan for ALL children.** I want a more rewarding educational experience for all students, so each has an optimum opportunity to achieve.
- We need improved **parental engagement and community involvement.** As parents, we need to know our choices at every step to ensure that each individual child is on the best educational path.
- We need to provide funding to **engage the WHOLE child.** This includes programs that have been cut like elementary music, CTE, and performing arts while we reevaluate current expenditures. The 2009 statistics that 40% of students didn't graduate from our district indicate that changes are needed.

I would be honored to receive your vote for School Board Director.

**Endorsements:** Our Federal Way Teachers (FWEA); Congressman Adam Smith; County Executive Dow Constantine; Representative Roger Freeman; Deputy Mayor Jim Ferrell; Former FWPS Board President Helen Pepper

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Ed Barney

**Education:** BA – Communications/Public Relations (Brigham Young University)

**Occupation:** Job Coach Trainer, Deseret Industries

**Statement:** As a father and grandfather I understand the importance of the educational needs of all students. Federal Way Public Schools has reached out and reduced the achievement and education gaps, reached out into the community to bring parents and community members into our schools and we have worked with businesses, community leaders and families to create a more open environment for all in our schools.

We have high expectations for our district. That is why I’ve worked successfully to **raise student achievement,** increase access to **more rigorous coursework** and support **innovative programs.**

We have successfully refinanced bonds, saving taxpayers millions of dollars; won a $40 million regional grant through the Road Map initiative to improve student access to early learning, Science Technology Engineering and Math, and college/career pathway opportunities.

I have seen firsthand the struggles individuals face without the educational supports as a youth and the struggles they face in the work force today. As a school board member I will continue to bring programs and opportunities to all students. Our children are our most valuable asset we must provide for their educational needs.

My focus is parental involvement, academic success, and support for all to overcome academic barriers.

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Director District No. 4

Carol Gregory

**Education:** Bachelor of Education, University of Washington, post graduate work at several universities

**Occupation:** Director, Burst for Prosperity, an initiative of Children’s Home Society

**Statement:** I am running for Federal Way School Board because I am passionate about sharing my extensive educational background and experience to ensure that all children get the education necessary to contribute to a global society.

The next few years will require very important decisions to be made by the Federal Way School Board. As our economy diversifies we must take crucial steps to prepare children for jobs of the future. I have the knowledge and resolve to help make significant decisions that lead to positive educational results for children and our economy.

I have a unique wealth of experience; as a teacher and administrator, a policy maker at the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and proud grandparent of a recent graduate from Federal Way High School, attending the University of Washington, and two others currently enrolled in Federal Way schools.

I will work diligently to connect the resources in the community to the schools, and to build bridges between schools, families, community, civic and employer partners, underscoring the power of working together to support tomorrow’s leaders.

Endorsements: Our Federal Way Teachers, Women’s Political Caucus and many many more

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Medgar Wells

**Education:** B.S. (Alcorn State University); M.Ed. (City University); Doctorate in Educational Leadership (Seattle University 2014)

**Occupation:** Principal of Overcomer Academy; Career Direct Consultant.

**Statement:** The children of Federal Way are our **most valuable asset** therefore I am committed to holding our district accountable to improving every student’s academic performance. We must increase our **graduation rates** by diligently teaching the skills necessary for career and college while improving **parental engagement**. My goals include increasing the use of **technology** within our classrooms, improving **school safety** and refining our current **grading system**.

I have served in public schools as an elementary and middle school teacher, high school assistant principal and assistant superintendent. In 2004 I was recognized by OSPI for closing the achievement gap while principal. I have learned that improving student achievement requires accountability, fiscal responsibility, and a sincere belief that every child is capable of achieving success.

I’m passionate about education, which is why in my personal time I teach life skills classes in King County’s correctional facilities and career-guidance classes at my church.

As school board director I will advocate for children and families, while making decisions that align with the educational outcomes I want for my own two children.

Endorsements: State Representative Roger Freeman, League of Education Voters, City Councilman Bob Celski, and School Board Directors Tony Moore, Angela Griffith and Danny Peterson.

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April Schroeder

Education: High School
Occupation: Preschool provider
Statement: As a Enumclaw School Board member I am committed to the highest achievement or ALL students. Having moved here to Enumclaw 12 years ago to raise a family I have been very involved in the community. With 3 kids enrolled in the district, I am very passionate about K-12 learning. I am also equally passionate about Early Learning. As a Board member I will continue to work hard to ensure our kids are All getting the Best education possible.

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Director District No. 5

Bryan Stanwood

Education: Willamette University, Bachelor of Arts, English and Political Science
Occupation: Regional Manager, Capital Insurance Group
Statement: Every child deserves to be a lifelong learner. That usually starts with a great teacher. I have been a resident of Enumclaw for the last eight years, and it has been a pleasure to watch my children learn and grow through the excellent teaching and administration in the Enumclaw School District. I look forward to serving as a School District Director, helping guide decisions, supporting the district’s vision and fostering the kind of creativity that is required with budget constraints. If elected, I will put in the time to listen to all sides of the issues facing our district and thoughtfully deliberate the courses of action that best suit the needs of our kids.

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www.kingcounty.gov/elections
Angelica M. Alvarez

**Education:** BA in Education

**Occupation:** Prek-3rd Grade Systems Coach

**Statement:** I was born and raised in San Luis, Arizona to migrant field workers. I began working in social services and education over 20 years ago. I dedicated ten years to the Merced County (CA) Office of Education, 13 years to Child Care Resources and currently am employed by Puget Sound Educational Service District.

The vision I have long held is that the Highline School District should be working towards creating a world-class education system, providing students with the tools needed to succeed in the 21st century. My priorities on the Highline School Board include:

- Academic success for all children regardless of their ethnic and social background.
- Promoting pathways to improve the transition between early childhood education and the school system.
- Collaborative partnerships between school staff and parents that demonstrate inclusiveness and builds leadership within the academic institution.

I believe it is important to serve and regenerate the community.

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Susan Goding

**Education:** B.S. Soil Environment, College of Natural Resources, University of California, Berkeley

**Occupation:** Process Laboratory Specialist, King County’s South Wastewater Treatment Plant

**Statement:** Support High Education Goals for All Students

While I have been on the Highline School Board we have set high goals for our students in reading, math and behavior. Math scores are up. K-5 students have a new music curriculum, GamePlan. The new Strategic Plan provides more opportunities for students to learn another language.

**Wants All Students Able to Follow Their Dream**

I care about not only what students are taught but also how students are educated. It is important that students learn in a creative, self-directed and high achieving environment. I want Highline to be the leader in great ideas, to recognize good ideas when we see them, and to duplicate the best innovative ideas of other school districts. Students should graduate capable and ready for their future.

Thank you for your past support and I hope you will support me for reelection to Highline School Director, District 3.

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Miles Partman

**Education:** Evergreen High School Graduate

**Occupation:** Volunteer sale associate at habitat for humanity store

**Statement:** MY NAME IS Miles Partman. I am an Evergreen High School graduate. Also I am a volunteer at habitat for humanity store. I believe that it’s time for a change in the leadership of this directors district. We need to have a Clearer focus on education and making sure that all taxpayers money is spent well and accounted for its intended purpose. We need more transparency in Highline School district and get the parents and students more involved in their education. Also I believe that we need to listen to the community and see what the community thinks to improve the education system as a whole. Also, I have TALKED TO MANY OF YOU IN THE COMMUNITY AND I have heard that you want better quality education and better anti-Bullying campaign and small class sizes in elementary through high school etc. I look forward to serving you.

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**Director District No. 3**

**Laurie Bishop**

**Education:** Bachelors in Communication and Accounting  
**Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant - Controller  
**Statement:** The current school administration and board has done a great job of implementing Strategic Improvement Plans as can be seen through an increase in test scores through the district. As a mother of an Auburn High School student, and a graduate, I know how important their work is and want to see it continue.  
My business experience as a Controller for an Engineering Firm, and my education in Accounting, will provide a great background to help me with the tough decisions made by the school board.  
In addition to my business experience, I volunteer both within the Auburn School District and the community. I was active in the Pioneer Elementary PTA and served as Treasurer for multiple years. I also have been actively involved in volunteering to support youth sports both inside the schools and out.  
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**Director District No. 5**

**Lisa Connors**

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**Occupation:** Administrative Assistant to the CEO of a private company  
**Statement:** As an active parent in the district, my priority is to provide an outstanding education for all students. My financial experience has helped me weigh financial decisions with student driven needs. By providing highly qualified teachers and a broad range of opportunities, we give our students the ability to achieve their goals.  
I currently serve on the Legislative, Student Achievement, Capital Projects, and Board Policy sub-committees and have been actively involved in the creation of the Auburn Public Schools Foundation. My education, community involvement, and business experience makes me a qualified candidate for this position. I have served on the school board for 6 years seeing unprecedented academic success. I look forward to implementing our current strategic plan. I would appreciate your vote!  
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Tahome School District No. 409

**Director District No. 1**

**Tami L. Henkel**

**Education:** Associate Degree, Bellevue College

**Occupation:** Office Manager, Tempress Technologies, Inc.

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to serve as a School Board Director in the Tahoma School District. I am proud of our district’s accomplishments. Our entire community can take pride in our success, knowing that our young people are getting the knowledge, skills and abilities they will need beyond high school. Our school community has many reasons to celebrate, earning high awards at the state and federal levels for academics, sustainability, and extra-curricular activities. However, there are challenges ahead. We are struggling with severe overcrowding; three of our elementary schools are among the state’s 10 most populated. Our students, teachers and administrators face increased demands and budget issues are a recurring concern. We need to ensure all of our students are future ready and are prepared for life after graduation. I am counting on continued support from our community as we overcome these challenges. Maintaining high quality schools benefits everyone.

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**Director District No. 5**

**Tim Adam**

**Education:** MBA, BS in Aviation Technology

**Occupation:** Safety and operations executive with extensive worldwide experience

**Statement:** My vision for the future of the Tahoma School District is one of continued excellence in education as we create an educational environment with state of the art facilities and technology. I seek re-election to the Tahoma School Board, District 5, where I can continue to apply my corporate business skills and expertise in support of students by providing them the highest levels of education possible. I support: the “Future Ready” initiative, ensuring that every student has a viable plan for their future; building a new Tahoma High School and Community Learning Center to help us solve the district’s severe overcrowding and become a place where lifelong learning can occur for the entire community; and ensuring that we continue as good stewards of the funding provided by the community. I believe in a fair and equitable learning environment for every student, whether they have special needs or special gifts.

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Marnie Maraldo

**Education:** B. S. Applied Mathematics, Liberty University

**Occupation:** Volunteer - Education Advocate

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to serve on the Issaquah School Board since 2009. I am committed to the goals I held 4 years ago; our students need an education that meets their individual needs, considers their special aptitudes and provides ample opportunity to explore their interests and pursue a fulfilling career.

Our board worked diligently to communicate our district’s performance and set goals for several measurements to move our district forward, highlighting areas for additional focus, allowing us to provide an excellent education for all students. I will work to find additional, robust measurements, set goals for those measurements and hold the district accountable for making progress toward those goals.

I represent the board as a member of WSDDA’s Legislative Committee, NSBA’s Federal Relations Network, Eastside Human Services and Friends of Youth - Issaquah Advisory Board. I was the board’s Legislative Representative, advocating to the State and Federal Legislatures.

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Lisa Callan

**Education:** Mathematics and Science, B.S., Northern Arizona University; ESL teaching certification, Seattle Pacific University

**Occupation:** Education Advocacy Volunteer; Software Program Manager; Airplane Simulation Software Development

**Statement:** As the mother of a third grader, I want my child to grow into someone who is passionate, unique, strong in mind and spirit, and prepared for the path he chooses. As a community member, I want the same for all our children. As your school board director I will strive for schools where every child matters, and every child graduates ready to pursue his interests and life goals.

In my PTSA leadership roles, I have helped create programs for art, parent engagement, teacher support, classroom enrichment, and a cultural diversity program that won a state PTA Taking Significant Action Award.

I will work with parents, teachers, and the community to ensure that students come first. I respectfully ask for your vote.


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Alison Meryweather

**Education:** B.A. Political Science and French, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Occupation:** Current: Director, Issaquah School Board and Community Volunteer
Former: Finance

**Statement:** Serving our community over a decade as an advocate for public education, Alison has worked to assure that all students have access to opportunities to achieve academic success and are prepared for college or career. Our students need relevant standards and high quality instruction; teachers deserve our best efforts to support their success. Alison’s focus is ensuring district priorities are student-centered, community based and fiscally responsible.

On the boards of Volunteers for Issaquah Schools, Issaquah Schools Foundation and PTA, Alison has brought people across our district together to provide essential resources to ensure our students reach their potential. Issaquah is a high performing district; Alison will build on that tradition and continue to engage our community to invest in our children’s education and future.

“It’s an honor to represent you, I ask for your vote.”

Endorsements: League of Education Voters, Representatives Ross Hunter & Chad Magendanz, Senator Steve Litzow

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Agda Burchard

Education: MA in Human Development: Early Childhood Education & Leadership in Education, and BA in Sociology

Occupation: Program Specialist, Administration for Children and Families

Statement: As a parent in the Kent School District, I understand we want the best education available for our children. ALL students deserve safe welcoming schools, relevant coursework, academic rigor, nurturing relationships, and opportunities in the arts and sports. As a current school board director, I am committed to our vision of successfully preparing ALL students for their futures. By focusing on our students and being innovative and fiscally responsible we can achieve this vision. We must continue to attract and retain quality staff reflecting the diversity of our community. Increasing the district’s communication and transparency is critical. Strengthening community and business partnerships that promote student achievement is essential. These strategies will help our students to graduate ready for successes in college, career and community life.

Living, working and volunteering in Kent for 20 years, I know how to work collaboratively with others so that children thrive in school and life. In addition to being a PTA leader, I’ve directed an early childhood non-profit organization and am a Girl Scout troop leader. I look forward to continuing to serve you as a school board director. Thank you for your vote.

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Election results

King County Elections continues to process ballots and report results from Election Day until the election ends on certification day.

Results for the general election will be posted once on Election Day, November 5, at 8:15 p.m., and updated on most subsequent weekdays by 4:30 p.m. until the election is certified on November 26. Results are posted on the King County Elections website.
Director District No. 5

Bruce Elliott

**Education:** B.S. Animal Science, Washington State University 1975  
**Occupation:** Cattle and crop farmer, King-Pierce Farm Bureau Board Member  
**Statement:** I am a candidate because I want to help insure that Kent schools continue to provide a quality education to our children. I am not convinced that administrative decisions like increased short days are the best for our students. We must focus the bulk of our resources in the classroom, where learning occurs. We need to maintain local control of this process, not hand it over to Washington, DC. The duty of our schools is to teach our children core subjects and help them gain practical life skills. The future of our work force and a prosperous community depends on this. We face modern challenges, but that is no excuse to fail in providing this generation with the educational foundation they need.

I was raised in Renton and I’ve lived in Kent since 1978. My wife and I raised our two children here in the Kent School system, both graduates of Kent-Meridian. I am very familiar with our area, our issues and I care about this community. I am just a regular citizen, a father and a grandfather, who would be a strong advocate for you and your children on the board. I would appreciate your vote.

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Maya Vengadasalam

**Education:** Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton  
**Occupation:** Business and Community Affairs Consultant, DeviMedia  
**Statement:** I believe in the American Dream—and know that hard work and a good education are the keys to a bright future. This has been my passion as a classroom volunteer, reading tutor, delegate to the Community Center for Education Results, and trainer of Kent school employees.

My priority will be **increasing academic excellence.** Only a rigorous education will provide kids with skills to get good jobs or go to college.

I am committed to **strengthening communication.** The district needs to use every tool to help families stay informed. We must improve transparency so taxpayers can see if the district is making efficient use of public dollars.

As a former business executive, I know we can **improve community and business partnerships** so students and teachers have support and resources.

I have received the Golden Acorn award from the PTA, am endorsed by the National Women’s Political Caucus, and have bi-partisan support from Kent Mayor Suzette Cooke, Kent Mayoral Candidate Tim Clark, Representative Pat Sullivan, former Mayor Jim White, and others.

Living in Kent for 22 years, my husband and I are proud that our son attended Kent public schools…and is now in college. I would appreciate your vote.

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Sally Finlayson

**Education:** 8 years of college. Doctor of Chiropractic

**Occupation:** Chiropractor, Owner of Browns Point Chiropractic Center with my husband.

**Statement:**

My name is Dr. Sally Finlayson, and I have been a part of the Fife/Milton/Edgewood schools and community for over 25 years. My husband, Don, and I have been very blessed to have had all three of our boys go through this school district, from Kindergarten to Graduation. It has been my honor to be on the Fife School Board for the last four years, and I look forward to continuing the great work for this district. As a local professional and business owner, I understand the importance of running a functional business, and as a parent I understand the importance of a nurturing and safe environment for our children. Both of these are qualities that I feel are extremely beneficial in supporting our school district.

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Bruce Burnside

Education: High school graduate Decatur High School
Occupation: General Manager, Vance Lift Truck Service, Tacoma
Statement: Greetings Fife School District Community
My name is Bruce Burnside and I am seeking to be your school board representative to the Fife School District for my third term and starting my tenth year. Four of the five board members, including myself, do not currently have children attending Fife Schools and are here for all the right reasons. We all care about a quality learning experience for your children and gladly give our time to help ensure that it continues. I am proud that our board has made the tough financial decisions during the past 5 years while keeping our focus on your children’s education. Please go to the district web site www.fifeschools.com and see some of the great things happening at our schools.

Thank you for your support of the Fife School District. I hope I have earned your vote again this year

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John C. West

Education: MBA Seattle Pacific University; BS University of Phoenix; Fife High School
Occupation: Operational Performance Excellence, Global Process Quality Manager
Statement: I am proud to say I’m a product of Fife public schools. I believe our community has something special in our School District, we have cultivated a culture of excellence and with it great expectations for our staff and students alike. It is my genuine desire to lend my skills and devotion to the Fife School District to build upon our tradition of excellence in these trying economic times. As position 5 board member, I will draw on my reputation for passionate community service and acute problem solving skills to ensure that our school district continues to lead in student learning and community satisfaction. I’m asking you to please support me in my bid to represent our district in position 5 Fife Public School Board.

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- Request a replacement ballot
- Access your customized voter guide
- Track ballot progress
- Print forms for voter name change or cancellation
- Election results
Lifecycle of a Ballot

1 Ballot assembly
Ballot packets are assembled about four weeks prior to election day. Ballot packets include a precinct-specific ballot, security and return envelopes, and any election-specific inserts.

2 Ballots are mailed
Ballot packets are mailed to voters three weeks before election day. Ballot packets are sent to overseas and service voters 45 days prior to a primary or general election, and 30 days prior to a special election to allow for the longer transit time.

3 Vote: It’s up to the voter
Once the ballot packet is in the voter’s hands, they have until election day to vote their ballot; seal it in the return envelope; read, sign and date the declaration on the return envelope and get it back to King County Elections. Voted ballots must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service by the date of the election, or be received at a designated drop-off location by 8 p.m. on election night.

4 Sorting
Returned ballots are delivered to King County Elections where special equipment sorts them into batches of 200 to 400. The equipment also scans the voter data and signature on the return envelope which is used for signature verification. This is the first stage of ballot accountability where we report that we have received a voter’s ballot.

5 Signature Verification and Envelope Review
Before any ballot is counted, the law requires that we verify the signature on every returned ballot envelope with the voter’s signature on file. Trained specialists perform this review. If the signatures match, the ballot packet is approved to move forward to opening. If the signatures do not match or a signature is missing, the ballot packet is flagged and sent for further review.

About two percent of ballots returned in each election have a problem with the signature, called a “challenge.” This requires the voter to resolve the issue before their ballot may be processed. The majority of challenges are simply because the voter did not sign the envelope. We contact voters by letter and phone with instructions on how to resolve the issue and they have until the day before election certification to respond.

Alternate format ballots are those returned by email or fax, or non-standard ballots returned by U.S. mail. These ballots require special handling and then must go through the same verification process as standard ballots.

6 Opening the Ballots
First the security envelope containing the voted ballot is removed from the return envelope and separated. Once all return envelopes have been emptied and set aside, workers remove the ballots from the security envelope. Then we visually inspect each ballot to ensure the votes as marked by the voter can be properly read by our scanning equipment. Ballots that are physically ready for scanning and tabulation proceed.

Ballots with physical damage or unclear voter marks are sent to Ballot Review.

7 Ballot Review
If there is damage, corrections, stray marks or the voter used the wrong type of pen, the scanners will not be able to read the ballot. Working in teams of two, each ballot is carefully reviewed to determine if it can be electronically duplicated through our adjudication system or if the ballot needs to be physically duplicated. The teams use the Voter Intent manual produced by the Office of the Secretary of State for consistent determination of voter intent. If voter intent cannot be determined by use of the manual or other established direction, ballots are forwarded to the Canvassing Board for determination.

8 Scanning, Tabulation and Adjudication
Once a ballot is ready for tabulation, a machine scans the ballot and stores the images on a secure, closed system. Tabulation occurs after 8 p.m. on election night and results are made public. Scanning and tabulation continue until all eligible votes are counted and the election is certified. The tabulation server is secured in a room monitored by security cameras, biometric controlled access, and tamper evident seals.
Larry Rude

**Education:** EFO, National Fire Academy; BS, Central Missouri University; AA, Bellevue College

**Occupation:** Financial Advisor

**Statement:**
My family and I have been residents and active members of this area for the past 35 years, and feel blessed to be a part of this community.

I believe the safety and protection of our families and community is the top priority of government. I spent 32 years as a firefighter in Renton, rising through the ranks to deputy chief. I understand government finance and the challenges of maintaining quality fire and medical service while operating within a budget. As a current business owner and taxpayer, I understand the importance of keeping our citizens safe without the burden of increasing costs. I can address these challenges while assuring that the citizens of the District continue to receive the best possible level of emergency service.

I will be an advocate for you, the taxpayer, for your public safety. I would be honored having your votes for District 10 Fire Commissioner.

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Ray Mullen

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Rick Gaines

**Education:** Rick has a Bachelors Degree from the University of Oregon

**Occupation:** Rick's a retired fire officer from the Bellevue Fire Department

**Statement:**
Rick has been proudly serving the citizens of King County Fire District #10 as a fire commissioner since 1996. He has served as Board Chair for the last nine years. We need Rick's vision, experience and passion as the District moves ahead to face the challenging issues of a modern fire service provider. Please consider a vote for Rick on Election Day. We need him.

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## Commissioner Position No. 2

### Bill Bowden

**Education:** High school, 3 years towards a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering  
**Occupation:** Mechanical Engineer  
**Statement:** I have lived in Skyway since 2003 and am the current President of the West Hill Community Association and long time member of the WHCA Board. I bring a background as an industrial firefighter, mechanical engineer and project manager. I will insure that your community resources are used in an efficient and responsible manner.  

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### Terry W. Miller

**Education:** U.S.Navy, Seattle Central Community College, Fire Training Center, Fire School, National Fire Academy  
**Occupation:** Security/ Volunteer firefighter  
**Statement:** I have called the Bryn Mawr neighborhood of Skyway my home for the last 27 years. I have served the community as a volunteer firefighter for 25 years, the last 12 as Captain. I am a past President of the association and two-time Firefighter of the Year. District 20 firefighters, both volunteer and career, appreciate the vote of confidence that was shown by the voters last November with the proposed annexation by the City of Renton failing. As always they will continue to provide the very best EMS and fire suppression. Training is ongoing 24/7. A new recruit class graduated in June 2013. I would like to see new businesses come to our area and help make Skyway a community we can all be proud to call our home. As Commissioner, I will continue to serve the community with my proven dedication. I welcome your vote on Election day.  

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### Washington votes by mail!

Washington votes entirely by mail. All voters receive their ballots through the mail and there are no polling sites. Make sure your contact information is up to date with King County Elections so that your ballot reaches you. Voting begins as soon as you receive your ballot, so why wait? Vote and return your ballot before the Election Day deadline.
Commissioner Position No. 2

Charles A. Bauer

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Regarding write-ins

You have the option to write in the name of a candidate for every race on your ballot. Please, no frivolous write-ins, such as Mickey Mouse or Bigfoot, which result in additional work and expense to process.

You do not need to make a selection in every race for your votes to count. Write-in votes are not tallied by name unless the total number could make a difference in the final outcome.
Commissioner Position No. 2

Thomas Tasa

Education: Graduate, University of Washington, 1969

Occupation: Retired public housing Director, 2010

Statement: I am pleased to run for re-election as Commissioner for King County Fire District #25. I have served as a commissioner for KCFD #25 for the past 15 years, and have lived in the district for the past 37 years. Prior to serving for Fire District #25, I served as a Commissioner for King County Water District #90 for 15 years.

Over the past fifteen years, we have provided professional Fire and Emergency Medical Services through a contract for services with the City of Renton. We have purchased two new pumpers, one new Aid Car and made capital improvements to Station 16. We have operated at or below budget every year and have been able to build a reserve fund to cover unanticipated needs in the near future.

Please endorse my re-election to continue maintaining a balance on the Board of Commissioner and effective use of our tax dollars.

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You can vote as soon as you receive your ballot

Return your completed ballot as early as possible. This helps keep election costs down and allows more time to resolve any issues that may be associated with your signature.

You can return your ballot through the mail or at a ballot drop box as early as the day you receive it!
Commissioner Position No. 2

Angela Stubblefield

**Education:** Highly qualified High School Special Education Teacher pursuing National Board Certification

**Occupation:** High School Teacher 32 years - Volunteer Firefighter/EMT 18 years

**Statement:** District commissioners are pursuing a property tax increase upon taxpayers because they spent nearly $2.7 million in wasteful and unsustainable fashion. As a Citizen Advisory Group member (CAG), I STOOD UP FOR DISTRICT TAXPAYERS by questioning commissioners while my opponent; also a CAG member, aligned himself with Commissioners. He has yet to champion taxpayers. Taxpayer interests should be foremost!

I support these tenets:

**FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Financial books and district administration policy should ALWAYS be open and accessible to taxpayers. I promise to work hard to ensure YOUR tax dollars are prudently spent while also providing quality emergency care and fire safety.

**LEADERSHIP:** Starts with commissioners with high ethical standard! KCFD 28 has exceptional firefighters who deserve accountable and responsible leadership from Commissioners who promote best practice.

**TRANSPARENCY:** Elected officials need to be accessible and sincerely listen to constituent concerns. As your commissioner, I will be accountable to district taxpayers!

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Elbert Reed

**Education:** BS Forestry, U of Montana; MS Information Technology Mgt., Nova Southeastern Univ.

**Occupation:** Forester, Army Officer, Budget Analyst, Information Technology Executive, Retiree

**Statement:** I have been a volunteer fire fighter, wild-land fire fighter, decorated Army officer in Vietnam, District Ranger with the US Forest Service, information technology executive with Weyerhaeuser Co. and past commander of the Enumclaw VFW Post. As your Fire Commissioner I have the leadership, management, financial and public involvement skills to give you exceptional service.

I can and will provide highly effective leadership to the citizens of Enumclaw and the District. I will focus on: Supporting our fire fighters and emergency medical responders; insuring an effective fire and emergency medical response, and; informing and involving you the voter in the critical issues of the district. My experience in budget analysis will enable me to ensure the financial integrity of the District.

I am supported by our local Fire Fighters. For more information about me and my position on Fire District issues visit my website EORKCFD28.org

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Lost or damaged ballot?

Spilled coffee on your ballot?

Threw it out with the recycling?

Never received it?

Need a ballot? You can call, email or visit the Elections office, or request a replacement ballot online.

Don’t delay! Be sure to get your ballot in by the Election Day deadline.
Commissioner Position No. 2

Connie M. Capitan

No photo submitted

No information submitted.

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Your signature matters

Be sure to carefully sign the declaration on the back of your return envelope. If you registered to vote when you received a driver license, refer to your driver license to check your signature.

Before any ballot is counted, state law requires that specially trained staff verify that the signature on the return envelope matches the signature on file with your voter registration. If you forget to sign, or if the signature doesn’t match, Elections staff will try to contact you.
Commissioner Position No. 2

Harry George, Sr.

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If you are contacted by King County Elections

Our staff may call you regarding the signature on your ballot. If you receive a call or a mailing from King County Elections, make sure to respond quickly so that your ballot can be counted.

Your signature is as important as your vote. Take your time, vote and sign carefully. And be sure to keep your registration information up to date.
Commissioner Position No. 1

Jerry Galland

Education: After high school I became educated on responsible public service at no public expense.

Occupation: Current small business owner and hourly Boeing employee

Statement: SKF&R is staffed by highly trained firefighters doing an excellent job every day protecting our community. They could do better if commissioners cared more about the public and less about their own interests.

I am asking for your vote for accountable leadership.

- SKF&R purchased land for an unfunded administration, maintenance facility and training center. We are paying interest only on a multi-million dollar loan for vacant land with no plan or money for building.
- While the department laid off firefighters and closed an aid unit, Commissioner Gates orchestrated a chiefs contract that doubled severance pay to over $340,000.
- In 2012 SKF&R said the $3.5 million Excess Levy would be spent putting an aid unit back into service, requiring hiring 9 firefighters. Only 2 firefighters were hired with the Excess Levy. Much of the rest of the Excess Levy went into raises for existing employees.
- When a firefighter at SKF&R was found guilty of breaking the law by contacting a patient, my opponent failed to ensure laws were followed, recently voting to use your tax money to defend the firefighter.

When elected commissioner, I will continue being accountable to the taxpaying citizens.

I appreciate your vote. Elect Jerry Galland

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William (Bill) Gates


Occupation: Army Finance Officer, Weyerhaeuser Management, Merrill Lynch Vice-President, Retired.

Statement: You are being served by one of the best fire districts in Washington. SKF&R has received clean audits eleven years in a row from the State. We have the best insurance rating of any district meaning lower rates for residents and businesses. We have fewer firefighters per capita than cities around us which keeps costs down. When responding to medical emergencies where CPR is needed we have a 57% resuscitation rate which is the best in the world. My fellow fire commissioners elected me Board Chair this year for the fourth year. I have a solid record of community accomplishments and have been recognized as a leader by many organizations, giving me years of board experience, policy knowledge, and leadership ability for this position. My education, work experience, and community service equip me to move the fire district forward. Moving forward, I want to examine our business model to find new ways to save dollars for more efficiency and reduce response times. I want more people involved and educated about the fire district, such as teaching our residents to be better prepared for emergencies and disasters. I am always accessible (253) 927-6482. I would appreciate your vote for re-election.

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## Commissioner Position No. 2

### Charlotte Ryan

**Education:** Olympic College, Fire Administrative Management Degree

**Occupation:** North Highline Fire District, Admin/Finance/HR

**Statement:** Since you elected me fire commissioner six years ago:

- Almost half our district was annexed into the City of Renton
- We contracted with Renton to provide fire/emergency services for the remainder of our district
- We purchased a new state-of-the-art aid car, which is staffed 24/7
- Funds were allocated to staff a four-person fire engine crew 24/7
- Additional funds were budgeted for free CPR classes
- You voted to extend the benefit charge, providing a stable source of funding
- Fairwood’s Station 17 was remodeled to seismic regulations

With your continued support, I will diligently work to ensure our community receives the highest quality service at the lowest possible cost to you.

Our firefighters have given me their vote of confidence. I am asking for your vote as well. Thank you.

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## Commissioner Position No. 4

### Erin Aboudara

**Education:** Seattle Pacific University, 1992 BS; Highline Community College, 1987-88; Kentridge High School, 1987

**Occupation:** PTA mom; neighborhood volunteer; FEMA CERT volunteer; grassroots community organizer

**Statement:** I’ve lived in Fairwood with my family for 11 years, and I grew up in the nearby Soos Creek area that is now Kent. Previous to starting our family, I was employed for 9 years in the healthcare industry and plan to return soon. The incumbent has lived in Fairwood for less than 3 years and has little connection to our community.

I’ve been a PTA and neighborhood volunteer for 7 years, including service as Vice President of Fairwood Greens HOA since 2010. I completed CERT training in Renton to support neighborhood emergency preparedness activities for Fairwood. I followed up by presenting an emergency preparedness seminar for greater Fairwood neighborhoods, taught by Renton Fire and King County OEM that was very successful.

I will promote fiscal responsibility with your tax dollars, “open” (transparent) government, and community emergency preparedness for residents of FD 40. I would be honored to serve you!

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## Commissioner Position No. 4

### Steve Parsons

**Education:** B.S. Construction Management, Central Washington University

**Occupation:** Fire Fighter/Engineer for 25 years, Kent Fire Department RFA

**Statement:** I have enjoyed serving you as a current fire commissioner over the past two years and I’m asking for your vote to allow me to continue serving. The citizens and families in Fire District 40 deserve to continue receiving high quality, efficient and cost effective emergency services. I’m proud that our CPR save rate is the highest in the world.

My 25 years as a professional fire fighter and 11 years as a Fire Commissioner in two different fire districts have supplied me with the knowledge and experience necessary to ensure our community continues to receive outstanding fire and life safety services. My focus remains on fiscal responsibility, customer service, transparency and responsible management of your fire department. When seconds count, it’s my responsibility to make sure highly qualified responders arrive quickly and deliver the help you need. I’d appreciate your continued support and vote November 5th.

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Commissioner Position No. 2

Michael P. Scott

Education: Associate of Science in fire administration, graduate of the Executive Fire Officers Program.

Occupation: Battalion Chief of Operations for Kent Regional Fire Authority.

Statement: Currently a Kent Fire RFA Battalion Chief, I have held advancing positions within the Kent RFA during my 36 years of service, including serving as an Administrative Officer. I have demonstrated skills and experience as a fire commissioner serving the citizens of Maple Valley.

Understanding the Job

Your commissioners ensure that emergency service objectives are met and that strategic financial planning takes place. I have demonstrated a thorough understanding of the daily operations, the budgetary matters of our district, and the public safety needs of our community.

Better Communication

A Fire Commissioner is a steward of public funds, ensuring that the expenditures of those funds preserve lives, protects property and establishes trust between you and the agency. Better communication between the Commissioners, public, and emergency responders is imperative to making good policy.

I will continually work to improve communication, respect taxpayer investment, and preserve public safety.

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Commissioner Position No. 5

Bill VanRuff

Education: Olympia High School; Centralia & Bellevue Community Colleges

Occupation: Owner/Operator Wilderness Chevron 35 years (retired)

Statement: I’ve thoroughly enjoyed serving as commissioner since my appointment in 2009. It has been an honor, privilege, and rewarding experience.

I accepted my appointment with the understanding there needed to be a balance between the needs of the administration and the firefighters while still meeting the expectations of the community. This economic down-turn certainly put that belief to the ultimate test.

Since becoming a commissioner, the board grew from three to five members increasing the resident’s representation in the district; confirmed continuity of leadership with the hiring of a new fire chief; successfully negotiated with the union and administration resulting in compromises and concessions while addressing the growing needs of the district even as revenues declined; enhanced my knowledge and skills by attending seminars and workshops and worked successfully to pass the recent excess levy to assure MVF&LS continues to serve the fire and life safety needs of this district.

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Online voter guide

Use “My Voter Guide” on the King County Elections website to check your registration information and look up the races and measures that will appear on your ballot.

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Robin J. Mauro

**Education:** Business and Computers

**Occupation:** Human Resource Contracts Officer

**Statement:** As we all continue in these difficult economic times, I want to continue as your Fire Commissioner to work primarily on maintaining the level of fire and medical service that your fire department has provided thus far. I will continue to team with other entities to find ways for more efficiencies, new programs, partnerships, and ways to make the dollar stretch further. With the support from our local firefighters union and a solid collaboration with the rest of the Fire Commissioners I feel that if re-elected I will have all the tools to continue to serve you as your Fire Commissioner. My goal is to ensure that all citizens feel safe knowing that should they need to call 911, the response time from our well-trained and professional firefighters will be as quick as possible.

I thank you in advance for your vote.

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James A. Douvier

**Education:** Business credits Highline and Green River Com. College

**Occupation:** Retired Business Owner and Farmer/ Rancher

**Statement:** I’m James Douvier and I’m asking for your vote for Fire District 44 commissioner, Position 2. As a retired business owner, I feel it’s time to give back to the community and I understand what our Firemen face on a daily basis. My uncle Wes was killed in 1955 fighting a fire in Oregon.

My family experienced a fire in 1999. My home and belongings were a total loss to a fire. It was devastating. The total loss, pain and suffering a fire brings increases when our fire fighters do not have the right tools and resources. Why vote for me? My 40 years of work experience includes 28 years working with the unions on both sides of the table, building a labor manager partnership. I’m aware that there is a need for a budget and the ability to live within your budget, but safety must come first.

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James Farrell

**Education:** BA Simpson College

**Occupation:** School Teacher (Retired)

**Statement:** James Farrell, a 35 year resident of Fire Protection District 44, has served for 12 of those years as one of your elected officials. For 32 years he was a teacher and coach in the Auburn School District. Jim serves as the elected leader of Auburn First United Methodist Church. In the past Jim served on the Boards of Group Health and Wesley Homes chairing committees on finance and long range fiscal planning. He has been selected by his fellow Washington State Fire Commissioners to serve as Vice President of the Washington Fire Commissioners Association.

With Jim’s active presence in the community coupled with long tenure on boards, he would be the best candidate for this position.

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Commissioner Position No. 2

Raymond A. Poche

**Education:** No information submitted.
**Occupation:** retired electrician
**Statement:** My wife and I have lived in the Kangley-Selleck area for over twenty years. Eighteen of those years have been spent as a volunteer firefighter and EMT for Fire District 47.

As your next Fire Commissioner, I know that I have the background to assure our community that our volunteers will continue to have the most updated training and equipment necessary to provide our district with first-aid and fire protection they expect and deserve.

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John L. Lester

**Education:** Renton Technical College
**Occupation:** Retire Boeing Machinist
**Statement:** I have been a volunteer with KCFPD #47 for more than six years. I would be honored to serve as a fire commissioner of this all volunteer fire district to ensure that your fire department has what is needed to serve this community.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Commissioner Position No. 1

Raymond R. Bunk, III

Education: M.B.A (Pacific Lutheran University), B.A., Fire Prevention Technology/ Fire Department Administration (WIU), A.A.S., Fire Science (CCAF)

Occupation: Police Officer (local municipality), Fire Commissioner (East Pierce)

Statement: Other Professional Experience:
Firefighter (United States Air Force Reserve - Joint Base Lewis-McChord), President (Pierce County Fire Commissioners Association),


Greater Pierce County Community Network, Pierce County Meth Action Team

Statement: I have been involved in Fire and Emergency Services for over 23 years and truly believe in public service as a whole. Throughout these experiences, I have held several supervisory positions in the fire service; including my current assignment as Fire Commissioner and as an Acting Battalion Chief at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. Thank you for allowing me to continue my public service by serving as your Fire Commissioner.

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What do pancakes and ballots have in common?
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Tal Weberg

**Education:** AS & BS in Diesel Engineering Technology - Oregon Institute of Technology, K Falls, OR

**Occupation:** Rebuild and Resell Construction & Mining Equipment

**Statement:** “Expensive!” and “Poor customer service!” That’s what I hear every time I bring up Covington Water District with my neighbors. How unfortunate! Why does Covington Water stir up bad feelings? Why are our bills and connection charges among the most expensive in the state? I have owned a small business selling construction & mining equipment globally for 15 years. I know that keeping costs in line and customers happy is essential to any degree of business success. Government success requires those same principles. I know that Covington Water District can’t be fixed overnight, but I will work to bring costs in line to lower our bills and improve customer service to create happy neighbors. I ask for your vote to start a positive change – and hopefully we’ll be able to afford to keep our grass green in August.

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David Roselle

**Education:** Kent Meridian High School Graduate

**Occupation:** City of Auburn Engineering Department

**Statement:** My wife and I have lived in the Covington area for 21+ years. We have 4 children and 3 grandsons. I have been a customer of Covington Water District for 37 years. I’m running for position # 5 because I feel there needs to be a change in the present Board of Commissioners. I will bring over 36 years of experience in the water works field from field operations, management and as a consultant. I’m currently employed at the City of Auburn in the engineering department. I am running because I feel the rates of the District are much higher than the surrounding water purveyors. As Commissioner I will represent the rate payer to secure the District makes sensible and appropriate decisions in the operation and management of the District. I look forward to serving the rate payers of Covington Water District. and would appreciate your vote.

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David R. Knight

**Education:** BA PE, Pacific Lutheran University,

**Occupation:** Real Estate Broker; Land, Residential, Investment, Development.

**Statement:** I have been a Covington Water District (CWD) board member for 20 years now. I have a great deal of history and perspective with the District that is needed for a future of growth, regulation and challenges. I have been through many difficult and challenging times and many good and prosperous times with the district. Even though we now have enough water, managing well our future growth, rates and connections charges is more important than ever. Transparency and good stewardship for you our rate payers is a vital policy to carry forward. Please come to meetings, voice your opinion, study our budget, understand how we operate. CWD’s greatest resource is our employees and CWD is a great place to work. We manage a large, complex, challenging system - wide spread geographical area very well. I look forward to you voting for me to return to CWD for another term.

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George Dennis Holden

**Education:** Studied at Eastern Washington State College

**Occupation:** Retired 30 years U.S. Army Intelligence, Teamsters Local #117

**Statement:** I am especially pleased that because of the combined efforts of district management, the employees and the Board of Commissioners, we have secured enough water to take care of our current and future customers for the next 50 years. With 40 employees taking care of 3 cities and a 55 square mile service area good clean water at a reasonable and justifiable rate is still our number one focus. However, it is becoming more and more difficult to achieve as environmental issues, stream flow and exempt wells challenge our operations. Current challenges include controlling costs, managing assets and continuing to meet customer expectations of water quality. I look forward to these challenges as commissioner. I would appreciate your support. Thank you.

Commissioner Holden and his wife Linda have lived in Covington since 1970 and have 3 daughters, 8 grandchildren and one great grandson.

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Commissioner Position No. 2

Daniel Johnson

**Education:** State University of New York, Business Administration 1982

**Occupation:** Self employed - print services business

**Statement:** It is my privilege to serve as your Commissioner at the Highline Water District. I take seriously my pledge to represent you.

The District has worked hard to reduce costs and increase efficiencies. Our fourth well came online in 2012, as we continue to decrease our dependence on Seattle Public Utilities water. We have an aggressive plan in place to proactively upgrade infrastructure, security, and technology. Customer service, training, and safety practices are continuously improved.

Once again, we received the top rating from the Washington State Auditor’s Office on our yearly Financial Statement and Accountability Audit.

Today, the District is a modern, professional and efficient water provider, well positioned for the future.

An active community member, I currently serve on the Board of the Rotary Club of Des Moines and belong to the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts.

Committed to serving our community, I ask for your vote.

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Commissioner Position No. 4

George Landon

**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Retired Real Estate Broker/Owner

**Statement:** It has been my pleasure for the past 18 years to serve as Commissioner of the Highline Water District, and I will be working to continue the best possible environmentally friendly service and competitive rates. My wife and I have been local residents for many years. Our two children grew up and attended public schools and colleges in this area. I was involved in the local Real Estate business for over 35 years and have been an active member of this community, serving as past president of Burien White Center Rotary Club and on the Salvation Army Advisory Board. I am currently a member of VFW, Water Pollution Control Federation, American Water Works Association, and am a past president of Washington State Sewer and Water Association. Thank you for your support.

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Dick Gidner

Education: Bachelor of Science-Mechanical Engineering-Michigan State University; Masters of Business Administration-Ohio State University.

Occupation: Aerospace Engineer, retired.

Statement: Dick was appointed to the KCWD90 Board in 2005, and has since been elected twice. He has brought leadership to the district management team with his strong background in both engineering and business.

His experience was particularly useful during the past few years as the new facility for the water district was designed and built. He was able to influence the design to be user friendly and cost effective. After three years, the district occupied the new buildings on schedule and below budget.

As the economy improves, home construction is again on the rise within the district and there will be growth in the customer base. Dick’s vision to support this growth includes a well-maintained infrastructure, a trained and experienced staff, and attention to customer service.

Dick is pleased at the opportunity to serve you for another term. Your vote would be appreciated.

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Charles E. Wilson

Education: B.A. University of Washington
Occupation: Retired
Statement: I am a retired Kent School District principal and a Lake Meridian area resident for the past 53 years.
As both a ratepayer and commissioner, I believe the dedication and genuine concern of this commission and staff will continue to insure that our district will maintain the highest levels of service and provide a quality product at a competitive cost.
I am proud to have been a part of this endeavor and would appreciate the opportunity to continue serving my community.

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Wes Jorgenson

Education: BS Civil Engineering (UW), Professional Engineer and Certification as Water Distribution Manager in Washington State.

Occupation: Retired Utilities Engineer for City of Bellevue

Statement: I’ve appreciated the opportunity to have served and represented you as a commissioner these past six years. I have over 30 years of experience as a Utilities Engineer working for the City of Bellevue. So I bring both practical experience and thorough knowledge of the issues required to help the District continue to provide safe, reliable water and sewer services at the lowest possible costs. I understand the difficulties facing the District as it deals with the continued slow economy and complex regulatory issues. My wife, Judy and I have lived within the District for over 30 years, raising two children. I have a strong commitment to the community. My desire is to continue this commitment by representing the community as a Cedar River Water and Sewer District Commissioner.

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### Commissioner Position No. 2

**Jack W. Hendrickson**

**Education:** South Seattle Community College and four year electrician apprenticeship  
**Occupation:** Retired King County Metro Wastewater Maintenance Electrician  
**Statement:** I have been a resident of Des Moines for over 40 years. Currently President of the Midway Sewer District Board of Commissioners, I will continue to provide effective leadership of the district and keep the costs as low as possible for the ratepayers.  

We now have one of the lowest rates in the area. I will insist on fairness for all customers and will provide the stewardship necessary to preserve our environment for future generations. Our area is growing and we must plan for the future. As the treatment facilities are getting older, we need to upgrade the wastewater system as needed. I thank you for your continuing support and would appreciate your vote.

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### Commissioner Position No. 4

**Jim Bailey**

**Education:** BA degree Biology Humboldt State University  
**Occupation:** Retired  
**Statement:** As a person who has lived and worked in the district for 33 years I would like to continue serving as your commissioner. I have had the experience of working in wastewater treatment for nearly 40 years. I feel that I can bring to the board knowledge useful in the decision making process. As a current ratepayer I would like to see the district continue to provide reasonable cost effective sewage collection and treatment. Continuing to protect public health and the environment.

**Education:** BA Biology Humboldt State University  
**Work experience:** Wastewater Lab Technician, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, Sewer Maintenance and pump stations, Senior Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, Treatment Plant Operations Supervisor.

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### Commissioner Position No. 2

**Marie-Anne Harkness**

**Education:** Post-graduate, Central Washington University

**Occupation:** Retired Educator

**Statement:** Lakehaven Utility District, a quality organization in existence for over 50 years, will become even better with a new perspective on customer service, low rates for all ratepayers, and long-term clean water supply with our expanding population.

My background is in information analysis, systems organization, problem solving and communication. I have worked as Teacher-Librarian in the Federal Way Public Schools for 22 years, Camelot PTA Legislative Committee Chair and Federal Way PTSA Clothing Bank representative, committee member of the WEA Children’s Fund, Vice-President of Citizens For Federal Way Schools, President of the Washington Library Media Association, member of the Speaker’s Bureau Washington Holocaust Education Resource Center, and grassroots community organizer in the West Hill of Auburn—No North Auburn Garbage Site—working with King County and the City of Auburn.

I have been a customer of Lakehaven Utility District since 1983. I would be honored to receive your vote.

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### Commissioner Position No. 4

**Timothy McClain**

**Education:** Bachelor of Business Administration, University of Oregon

**Occupation:** Self Employed in Transportation Logistics Management

**Statement:** It has been my privilege to serve you as a Commissioner since being appointed to the Lakehaven Board in 2010 and elected to the Board in 2011. I have been using my 42 years of management experience and 34 years as a resident of the District to assist me in making decisions in establishing District Policy. As a Commissioner, it is my responsibility to ensure that the rate payers of the Lakehaven Utility District receive the highest quality drinking water and wastewater treatment services at acceptable levels of cost now and in the future. Over the past 3 years, I have participated in decisions that have helped upgrade our wastewater treatment plants, purchased state of the art mobile equipment for our crews to use and to continue to finance our portion of the 2nd Supply Water Treatment Plant now under construction. I ask for your continued support and your vote.

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### Commissioner Position No. 3

**Don Miller**

**Education:** BCS Seattle University. MBA City University. USAR Leadership Training. Water Industry Education

**Occupation:** Financial Planner Prudential Insurance (Retired) USAR Washington National Guard (Retired)

**Statement:** As an experienced commissioner, I pledge continued support for high quality drinking water, affordable rates, ground water recharge, water conservation, interties and interlocal agreements with our neighbors. My affiliation with American Water Works and Environmental Federation keeps our board current with new technologies.

Our wastewater division is constantly upgrading technology and equipment. During my time as commissioner, I have met with national, state, and local officials for the benefit of our district and its customers.

It is my philosophy to treat our rate paying public in an open and helpful manner. My wife, Patti, and I have lived in Federal Way for many years raising our family and are dedicated to community service. I am a life member of the Federal Way Kiwanis Club, and attend our local Camber of Commerce meetings.

I would appreciate your vote.

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Larry West

Education: University of Montana, University of California – Geology & Civil Engineering

Occupation: Retired King County Senior Geotechnical Engineer and Environmental Scientist

Statement: I have over forty years of management, geotechnical engineering and environmental experience with both private and government organizations. My work in this area for King County included evaluation of physical hazards such as landslides, stability of steep slopes and other issues involving storm water drainage, ground water, wetlands and streams.

I participated in the design and construction of a concrete arch dam and underground power station near Metaline Falls, WA. and the design of tunnels for the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit System as a geotechnical engineer with Bechtel Corporation. A Partner with Dames & Moore Engineering, I managed site selection and environmental studies for proposed nuclear plants in Washington.

I have the technical background to communicate with regulatory agencies and assist the Board in making decisions to ensure taxpayer dollars are spent conservatively. The goal is fair and affordable rates. I look forward to serving our community and will be available to address citizen concerns.

My wife, Kay, & I reside in Kent and are active in community events.

Endorsements include: King County Council Member Reagan Dunn, Mayor Suzette Cooke and State Representative Mark Hargrove.

I would appreciate your vote!

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Darold R. Stroud

Education: Masters of Accountancy; Brigham Young University, Bachelor of Science, Accounting, Brigham Young University

Occupation: Vice-President Financial Operations, T-Mobile

Statement: Darold has served as one of your five commissioners since July 2011. He takes pride in the fact that the District has best in class customer service, solid long-term strategies, passionate tenured employees and extremely competitive rates. He has over 20 years of leadership experience working for public and private corporations and he brings to the board a proven history of exceptional management and leadership skills, solid cost management oversight, and a passion for customer service. As the Vice President of Financial Operations at T-Mobile, Darold understands the importance of both leadership and vision with the customers and employees.

Darold and his family have lived in the Kent area for nearly 20 years. He has been active in Boys Scouts and his son is an Eagle scout, and he has coached several of his children’s sports teams. He enjoys serving on the board because it gives him an opportunity to serve the community.

Darold is proud to be part of a strong team who is committed to providing water and sewer services that are reliable, affordable, and of the highest quality. He would be honored to continue to serve the community as your commissioner. Thank you for your support.

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Commissioner Position No. 3

Alan Eades

Education: Associate of Arts Degree; Water Distribution Manager Certification; Wastewater Collection Systems Certification; numerous additional certifications

Occupation: Semi-retired; former Operations Manager, Soos Creek Water and Sewer District

Statement: Alan is a lifelong resident of Washington and has lived within the Soos Creek District since year 2000. He and Kathy have been married for 32 years and have two children.

Alan has 26 years of experience as a Soos Creek Water and Sewer District employee, the last 14 years as the Operations Manager. He has extensive knowledge and experience in the utility industry. Alan is known for his ability to streamline operations. As Operations Manager, he constantly worked to find improved ways of managing the District’s resources and implemented numerous projects to help the District reduce waste and increase efficiency.

As commissioner, Alan will bring his background and professional expertise to the Board. That knowledge will provide a new perspective resulting in a more informed decision process.

Alan will ask the tough questions necessary to ensure your money as ratepayer is spent wisely. With each decision, the needs of the District will be carefully considered as well as the impact on ratepayers and the environment.

Alan is committed to ensuring water quality and safety, system reliability, and customer service for the people in the District. Alan looks forward to serving the public as commissioner and would appreciate your vote.

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Gary G. Cline

Education: B.A. Psychology M.A. Educational Administration

Occupation: Retired, Elected Utility Commissioner

Statement: As a current Commissioner for the Soos Creek Water and Sewer District, I bring 35 years of experience and proven service in the water and sewer industry, including King County Water District # 111, and accomplishments as a dedicated, proactive and forward thinking Commissioner. I am a 35 year member of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts and served on most of the Committees, including officers positions, as well as Association President.

I oppose a utility tax on water and sewer districts by cities.

I am committed to the concept of government that works WITHOUT TAXES.

I am committed to continuing to provide excellent service and reasonable rates.

I am a retired Kent School District Principal, an active 42 year, Charter Member of the Kiwanis Club of Meridian, served on the Board of the Kent Food Bank and the Enduris Insurance Board insuring Utilities, Fire, Port and Conservation Districts.

My desire to serve as a Commissioner for the Soos Creek Water and Sewer District come from a strong sense of commitment to our community where I have lived with my wife Irene and our three children.

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Commissioner Position No. 2

Joyce Clark

**Education:** City University - Business/Project Management

**Occupation:** Project Manager

**Statement:** Community Resident & Homeowner since 1974 - Parent - Concerned Citizen - Elected Council Member of the West Hill Community Association - Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) - West Hill Business Association - 6 year Washington State Licensed Foster Home for Teens - Community Activist.

Trust me with your concerns regarding high water and sewer rates. Concern for costs with emphasis on the elderly, low income, single parents, as well as security of our drinking water. I would appreciate your support in electing me to represent Skyway Water & Sewer District. Questions? Concerns? jeccy1521@clearwire.net

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Donald Henry

**Education:** Continuing education by attending seminars and workshops

**Occupation:** Current Water/Sewer Commissioner, Safety Officer for Fire District 20

**Statement:** My name is Donald Henry and I am running for re-election as one of your Skyway Water & Sewer District commissioners. As a community member and a volunteer fire fighter for 46 years I understand the needs of our area. I have been a commissioner since 1985 and have worked hard to provide you with the best possible water & sewer service, while keeping your costs as low as possible. Some of the actions that improved service to you were combining several individual systems into the single cost saving water & sewer system that now serves our community. Another was the drilling of our own district wells to help lower our water costs, as well as obtaining low interest state loans to replace and upgrade our aging water & sewer system. I continue to attend conferences & seminars to increase my education and knowledge base to better serve you.

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Albert P. Haylor

**Education:** Anchorage West High School, U.S. Navy Aviation Ordnance School, BRAC Shop Steward School.

**Occupation:** Retired Airline Employee, Vietnam Veteran, Valley Medical Volunteer, ATE Treasurer.

**Statement:** I am running for hospital commissioner because I want to continue serving our community.

Since retiring from Delta Airlines I have been a volunteer at Valley Medical Center for five years and have also helped sick and disabled Veterans to receive their medical benefits. I also served on the Kent Planning Commission and the King County Boundary Review Board.

As a volunteer at Valley I have seen the workings of the hospital from a patient’s point of view and I am very concerned the Alliance with UW Medicine has eroded local control of the hospital and is harming patient care.

Taxpayers in Public Hospital District No. 1 pay $18 million every year in property taxes to support the hospital. They deserve to choose who will represent them on the board.

The Alliance with UW Medicine expanded the board from five commissioners you elected by adding eight others appointed by UW Medicine. Therefore, UW Medicine bureaucrats who are not accountable to the taxpayers, now run Valley instead of the five commissioners you elected.

My opponent supported changing control from five elected commissioners to an unelected board.

There are many dedicated employees at Valley who serve our community but there are some serious problems that must be addressed. In June The Seattle Times reported Valley rewarded its CEO for profit over quality of care. KING-5 also reported Valley’s CEO Rich Roodman is paid $1.3 million per year – twice what his counterparts at Harborview or the UW Hospital are paid. As your commissioner I will fix these problems.

I’ve been a homeowner and taxpayer in this community for 40 years. My wife Pat and I raised our three children here.

Valley is a wonderful hospital but we must focus on improving patient care.

I hope I can count on your vote

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Barbara J. Drennen

**Education:** Graduate Kent-Meridian High School. Attended Highline and Green River Community Colleges.

**Occupation:** Co-Founder and Executive Director, Pediatric Interim Care Center

**Statement:** Always Giving... Barbara Drennen has been a tireless advocate for children and public health throughout her distinguished career. As co-founder of the Kent-based Pediatric Interim Care Center (PICC), Barbara has helped thousands of drug-affected newborns through withdrawal and served as a resource to caregivers, medical personnel and others statewide and nationally. A winner of the prestigious Jefferson Award, she embodies public service and is a true inspiration to many.

**Wanting to Give Back...** PICC’s support comes from many sources, but two early and important ones have been Valley Medical Center and UW Medicine. Becoming a Commissioner of the hospital district is one small way Barbara would like to give back to the community and hospital helpers who have been so vital to PICC’s mission.

**Staying Local...** A Kent resident for more than 50 years, Barbara knows the communities served by the hospital district. As a Commissioner, her focus will be on patient care and safety, and she will always be a voice for children and other vulnerable populations. But as someone who runs a non-profit healthcare center, Barbara also knows firsthand the importance of fiscal responsibility. Under her leadership, PICC has saved Washington taxpayers millions of dollars every year.

**Facing Healthcare’s Future...** Barbara sees healthcare reform as both a challenge and opportunity for the hospital district. While providers will be required to offer more services for more people at reduced costs, the reforms will also provide hope for vulnerable and uninsured populations who have historically fallen through the gaps. Barbara will work with her fellow Board members to make certain that quality, cost-effective medical care is available to all, and she supports the alliance with UW Medicine as critical to assuring that the residents of South King County are not left behind during this time of change.

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Tamara Sleeter

**Education:** Bachelor’s degree in Chemistry Walla Walla University 1973 and M.D. from Loma Linda University 1976  
**Occupation:** OB/GYN physician at Valley Medical Center  
**Statement:** I have been practicing medicine at Valley Medical Center since 1985 and am the director of Obstetrics at Valley Women’s Clinic with offices in both Renton and Covington. I also accept new Medicare patients. I have delivered almost 5,000 babies at Valley and today I am delivering babies of babies I delivered over twenty years ago.

My husband Harold is an engineer and we have been married for 24 years. We have two sons – William who attends the UW and Robert is a high school senior. I enjoy backpacking and play the viola in the Rainer Symphony.

Valley Medical Center is the core of my professional life. Over the years I have seen many changes with new facilities, new tests, new ideas and a new affiliation with UW Medicine. I am running for commissioner because I am very concerned Valley is losing touch with patients and the community we serve.

Today many employees at Valley are facing layoffs, reduced work hours and pay cuts. Meanwhile, the Washington State Auditor found Valley’s executives are paid much more than what a competitive salary would require.

There are significant differences between myself and my opponent. My opponent supported high executive pay. I support reducing executive pay and high administrative overhead so more nurses can be hired to improve patient care and so employees will not face layoffs.

Many new changes are coming in medicine. As your commissioner I will bring a passion for service and a desire to nourish the community roots of Valley Medical Center and will represent the interests of patients, taxpayers, employees and local physicians who make Valley a great hospital.

The board of commissioners is elected by you, the taxpayers of the hospital district. Your voice needs to be heard. I hope I can count on your vote!

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Sue Bowman

**Education:** Graduate, Washington State College (WSU) Education Major  
**Occupation:** No information submitted.  
**Statement:** EXPERIENCED

Over three decades of service in healthcare, retired after 27 years in Public Health and Hospital Administration for the State of Washington. Member, Board of Commissioners, 2008-present; President of the Board, 2009-2011; Member VMC Board of Trustees, 2011-present; Member, UW Medicine Board 2012-current; the only Commissioner selected to serve. Member, UW Medicine Patient Quality and Safety Committee; Member, UW Medicine Finance Committee; Member, Joint Conference (physician credentials) Committee.

**CHANGE AGENT**

As President of the Board, I championed the decision to enter into the Strategic Alliance with the UW Medicine, thereby bringing world class medical services to residents of South King County. I cast the deciding vote to enter into this arrangement and believe it will continue to provide wonderful benefits to our community for many years to come.

I will seek a halt to the irresponsible litigation looking to dismantle it. Two private physicians on the Board have attacked the alliance at every turn, concerned about how competition would affect their business rather than recognizing the huge benefits to the community created by affiliating with UW Medicine. Another private physician on the Board would potentially magnify this problem. Finally, my opponent does not actually live in our District.

**FISCALLY CONSERVATIVE**

I have worked very hard to make certain that the public resources are managed in an appropriate manner, and that the money generated by VMC is reinvested in the community. The Emergency Services Tower was built during my tenure, many more new clinics and specialty services are now available here in our community because of decisions I have made or supported, and I am proud of these accomplishments. **We need to focus on the future of medicine, not the past, and our brightest future rests with continued partnership with UW Medicine.**

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### Commissioner Position No. 3

**Schell Ross**

**Education:** Bachelor’s from University of Montana, Masters from City University  
**Occupation:** Middle School Teacher and Swim Safety Advocate  
**Statement:** As a teacher and member of the Des Moines community, I have been an advocate for our children’s swim safety for 18 years. In that time, other than teaching at Pacific Middle School, I have held the positions of swim instructor, lifeguard instructor and assistant manager at Mt. Rainier Pool as well as an assistant swim coach for Mount Rainier High School. My goal is to provide safe and affordable aquatics activities to all age groups and help the pool remain a vibrant part of our community.

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### Commissioner Position No. 4

**Toni Overmyer**  
No information submitted.

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**Reading ballot measure information**

**Explanatory statements**

An explanatory statement is prepared by each district’s attorney stating the effect of the ballot measure if passed into law.

**Committees in favor and in opposition**

Districts are responsible for appointing committee members to write pro and con statements. The statements are a way to help voters decide how to vote on the measure. King County Elections is not the author or responsible for the content of statements.
Charter Amendment No. 1
County Department of Public Defense
Shall the King County Charter be amended to create an appointed office of county public defender, a department of public defense, and a public defense advisory board, and require the executive to consult with the county public defender on the executive’s bargaining with employees of the department of public defense?
Yes
No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 104.

Statement in favor
This amendment is necessary to implement changes to the King County public defense structure resulting from a recent settlement agreement in a class action lawsuit. King County historically has contracted with private, non-profit corporations for the provision of public defense services. Because these corporations were viewed as independent contractors, their employees did not receive county benefits. As a result of the settlement, public defenders became county employees July 1, 2013, requiring restructuring of the public defense system.

A properly functioning and independent public defense system is paramount to the fundamental principles of our justice system. Public defenders perform a vital role within the justice system by advocating for the rights of all citizens regardless of income. They represent individuals who cannot afford to pay for their own lawyer, primarily in criminal, civil commitment, and termination of parental rights cases. This amendment protects the strengths of our nationally recognized public defense system while meeting the requirements of the Court settlement.

Please vote yes to give King County’s Public Defender the strong, independent voice needed to continue our tradition of excellence and independence in protecting the civil liberties of the most vulnerable residents of King County.

Statement submitted by: Christie Hedman, Larry Gossett and Jacqueline McMurtrie
publicdefense2013@gmail.com

Statement in opposition
No statement submitted.

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Explanatory statement
This proposed amendment to the King County Charter concerns the creation of a county department of public defense within the county’s executive branch. Historically public defense counsel has been provided by non-profit corporations who provided the services to clients through contracts paid by King County. This charter amendment is part of a process of moving the contractors to the county as county employees. This move follows a class action lawsuit in which the court ruled that the nonprofit employees were legally entitled to certain county benefits. Under the proposed charter amendment, the department of public defense would be an executive branch department and would be responsible for providing counsel and representation to indigent individuals to the extent required under the State and Federal Constitutions. The department would also be responsible for fostering and promoting system improvements, efficiencies, access to justice, and equity in the criminal justice system.

The department would be managed by the county public defender, who would be appointed by the county executive from a list of candidates recommended by the public defense advisory board (described below). The executive’s appointment would be subject to confirmation by the county council. The county public defender would serve a four-year term and would be eligible for re-appointment to additional terms.

The proposed charter amendment would also establish a public defense advisory board to review, advise and report on the department and on matters of equity and social justice. Membership on the board and the process for appointment would be prescribed by the county council by ordinance.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
Amy Tsai - Legislative Analyst
206-477-0893 • amy.tsai@kingcounty.gov

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Proposition No. 1
Medic One – Emergency Medical Services Renewal of Existing Levy

The King County Council passed Ordinance No. 17598 concerning funding for the county-wide Medic One emergency medical services system. This proposition would replace an expiring levy to continue funding of Medic One emergency medical services. It would authorize King County to impose regular property tax levies of $0.335 or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection beginning in 2014, as provided in King County Ordinance No. 17598. Should this proposition be:
Approved
Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 105.

Statement in favor
Renew our commitment to Medic One.
Every year, Medic One saves hundreds of lives. Last year, over 4,000 dedicated firefighters and paramedics responded to over 172,000 medical 911 calls for help (one every 3 minutes).
Medic One is recognized as one of the best emergency medical services systems in the world. Our cardiac arrest survival rate for the most common type of cardiac arrest is 57% - the highest reported anywhere and 4-5 times higher than most other communities.
The Medic One levy is not a new tax; it’s a renewal of a program that provides critical emergency services for all residents of King County. King County voters have supported Medic One by passing levies for nearly 35 years.
At the proposed levy rate, the average homeowner will pay approximately $107 a year for Medic One - this is actually less than the average homeowner paid in 2008 for these same services.
The Medic One system serves nearly 2 million people in King County. We depend on Medic One to be there when we need it, 24 hours a day, every day. Now it’s our turn to be there for Medic One. Renew our commitment. Vote YES on Proposition 1.
Statement submitted by: Reagan Dunn, Denis Law and Mickey Eisenberg mickeyseisenberg@gmail.com

Statement in opposition
Tax increases pass with simple majorities in King County but require 60% voter approval in other jurisdictions. Renters generally support spending initiatives financed with property tax increases but oppose those financed with sales tax increases, regardless of purpose. These facts explain why proposals for higher property taxes never fail and continue being sponsored. Why can’t officials adopt budgets predicated on revenue from existing sources, without recurring excess levy requests? Because criminal defense law firms have carte blanche to bill taxpayers for attorney, investigator and associated staff expenses as well as for seemingly endless court appeals. You won’t see councilmembers calling on Olympia to end the death penalty because doing so would compromise their trial lawyer friends’ income. Also, some government services should be moved to the private sector where they could be delivered just as efficiently but more economically.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition
No rebuttal submitted.

Rebuttal of statement in favor
More delinquent accounts will be added to the Assessor’s tax rolls if homeowners remain victims of government’s inefficiency and inability to prioritize and cut spending. Property taxes are too high and going higher because valuations have risen, again! Government must find other ways to deliver essential services and finance capital improvements. Instead, it says “yes” to renters and public employees, “no” to privatization and tax relief. Voters should use their ballots to proclaim “no more!”

Statement submitted by: John Shackleford
Following directions gets me where I need to go. Same thing when I vote.

Be an informed voter! Follow the directions and get your ballot back early.
Proposition No. 1

Elections for Citizen Initiative Petitions Restricted to the General Elections

Shall the Federal Way Revised Code Section 1.30.160 (2) be amended to restrict the submission of all Citizen Initiative Petitions to the general elections because the voter participation is historically higher at general elections and to avoid the added expense of a special election?

Yes
No

Explanatory statement

Current law: Upon receipt of a certified citizen initiative, the City Council may adopt the initiative or a special election must be held unless a general election is within 120 days.

The ballot proposition would restrict the voting on citizen initiatives to general elections in November because more citizens historically participate, and because avoiding the cost of a special election could save the City hundreds of thousands of dollars.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
Pat Richardson - City Attorney
253-835-2562 • pat.richardson@cityoffederalway.com

Statement in favor

Initiatives should be voted with General Elections when the greatest numbers of voters participate. Per King County, approximately 45% of Federal Way residents are registered voters. In election years 2011, 2009, 2007, 41% - 45% of registered voters voted in the General election; while 23% -26% voted in the Primary. Initiatives on the General Election ballot reach significantly more people. The timing of National and local General Elections generates more voter interest and greater turnout. Often, in August, people are on vacation, involved in summer activities and less likely to vote in Primaries. Important initiatives brought to the public should be held when the greatest number of voters participate. Otherwise fewer voters make key decisions for the greater population. General Election initiatives make financial sense. The cost/benefit is greater as more people vote in the General Election and costs are included in overall election expenses. Initiatives with no ongoing election in August would generate 100% cost to the City. The key is assuring that the largest number of voters weigh in on an issue.

Statement submitted by: Linda Purlee and Bruce Martinez

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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Proposition No. 1

Sales and Use Tax for Transportation Improvements

The Board of Covington Transportation Benefit District, Covington, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 13-03 concerning a sales and use tax to fund transportation improvements. This proposition would authorize a sales and use tax at a rate of two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) to be collected from all taxable retail sales within the District, in accordance with RCW 82.14.0455, for a period not exceeding ten years, for the purpose of paying for or financing the costs of transportation maintenance and improvement projects identified in Resolution No. 13-03. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

Money dedicated to repair city roads is dwindling. Reduced driving, increased fuel efficiency, unforeseen initiatives, and the continually rising cost of road repairs are depleting our Street Fund. These realities have evolved and are permanent; to maintain Covington’s roads we must find additional money or the Street Fund will be insolvent by 2017.

A Transportation Benefit District is a long-term solution to the problem. Proposition 1 raise the sales tax by a modest 0.2% to 8.8%, still leaving Covington with one of the lowest sales tax rates around. A small increase of $2.00 on a $1,000 purchase if passed. A sales tax affects everyone who shops in Covington. Many people from the surrounding area use Covington’s roads to shop in Covington’s stores; it is fair that all those who use the roads help pay to maintain them.

City Council currently subsidizes the Street Fund with $250,000 from the general budget. If the TBD passes the Council has committed to hire an additional police officer and to increase code enforcement by 10 hours a week. Proposition 1 has a double benefit—paying for proactive street maintenance and increased police staff.

Details at: http://www.covingtonwa.gov/TBD/index.html

Keep Covington Moving! Vote Yes Proposition 1

Statement in opposition

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Keep Covington Moving! Vote Yes Proposition 1

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

A 2012 citizen group found Covington lives responsibly within its means. By State law, much of Covington’s revenue is for a specific use—it is not available for streets or police. Prices of road materials and construction have increased while tax revenue has decreased. A TBD costs the average shopper an extra $10 a year and is a long-term and inexpensive solution, preventing very large future problems. Preventative maintenance is wise and responsible—vote YES.

Statement submitted by: Leslie Hamada, Bud Sizemore and Laura Morrissey
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Rebuttal of statement in favor

If the city does not have enough money for streets they are spending it on something less important. The city arbitrarily decides where the tax dollars are spent. Streets should be a budget priority not an excuse for a new taxing district.

Non-residents already support Covington through gas and sales taxes. We easily found fat in the budget that can be trimmed so we have living wage taxes.

Do you feel under taxed?

Statement submitted by: Philip Jones and Leroy Stevenson
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Proposition No. 1
General Obligation Bonds - $195,000,000

The Board of Directors of Tahoma School District No. 409 adopted Resolution No. 2013-13 concerning this proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize the district to undertake repairs and renovations, student safety and other upgrades to designated schools and facilities throughout the district to extend their useful life, and construction of a new 9-12 high school; to issue $195,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 30 years; and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 2013-13. Should this proposition be:

Approved
Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

Our community must pass the school construction bond to reduce severe overcrowding, provide our kids with secure schools, and maintain our district's success and our property values.

Sixteen years have passed since our last construction bond. Since then, Maple Valley's population has more than doubled, and our square footage per student has dropped to the lowest in the county. Schools are full; most far exceed design capacity. We can't add more portables; stages, labs, conference rooms and even closets are used for instruction, and class sizes are way up. Time and space have nearly run out. Without the bond, the district must pursue double shifting and year-round multi-tracking. This is not a threat; it's a fact. It is time to return our schools to normal: School and classroom sizes that mirror surrounding districts. Basic safety and health improvements at all schools. A new high school opens up space districtwide and launches innovative partnerships with colleges and industry to train and educate students and adults.

Tahoma is the main reason families move to Maple Valley. Strong property values, a healthy economy and a desirable community are the result. Vote YES. It is time to put our kids, and our community, first.

Statement in opposition

I have children entering Kindergarten and 2nd Grade this year in the Tahoma School District. Why would I consider voting “No” on this bond? Trust, responsibility, and an example for the future are the answers. TSD just hired a Superintendent with no public search. They have over 20 employees receiving more than $100K/year in annual compensation. They spent over $68 Million last year on about 7,500 students. What amount was spent over $68 Million last year on about 7,500 students. What amount was budgeted for savings or future construction? Nothing. Our country and many municipalities are drowning in debt. Is this the example we want to send our kids, that instead of saving and planning you should just expect a handout? Our community pays $15 Million/year in Property Taxes to TSD. That is money directly out of our pockets that could be spent on local merchants, family vacation, or college savings. Do you have a disposable $40/month for the next 20 years to give them, and do you think every other homeowner, with a child or not, should pay it? Do you trust them to plan for next time or raise your taxes again in a few years when they want something else? Let's make a statement for common sense and vote No.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The “no” statement uses the words “trust,” “responsibility” and “common sense,” but these should be two-way streets. Sixteen years of failed bonds has created a crisis; now is the time to show trust in a district that wins awards for academics despite the lowest per-student capital funding in the county. Construction money cannot come from salary cuts; those budgets are separate. Property taxes aren’t “handouts” – they're how citizens ensure children are educated. That's common sense.

Statement submitted by: Erin Weaver and Casey Henry
www.voteyestahoma.com

Rebuttal of statement in favor

Upon further research and review, I have reconsidered my opposition to the Proposition. I encourage the community to get involved, get out the vote, and do your research and consider the implications of this Bond.

Statement submitted by: Kurt Edelhauser
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Proposition No. 1
Authorizing an Increase of Previous Property Tax Levies

The Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 28 adopted Resolution No. 13-003 to finance maintenance, operations, and equipment. This proposition would authorize the District to adjust its regular property tax levy rate to one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) per one thousand dollars ($1000) of assessed valuation for collection in 2014 and to set the limit factor at 100% plus the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for each of the five succeeding years, 2015 through 2019. The maximum allowable levy amount in 2019 would be used to compute limitations for subsequent years as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW. Should this proposition be:

Approved
Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

This levy proposition needs to pass! It will assure adequate funding for:
• Critical fire and emergency medical services for the next six years, and;
• Replenish reserve funds to replace aging apparatus and safety equipment.

Should it fail to pass, the current level of response cannot be maintained. The primary source of income to operate the Fire District comes from property taxes; currently at a rate of $1.19 per $1000 of assessed value. Most surrounding fire districts are at or above the $1.50 per thousand proposed in this proposition. The increase will amount to $5.17 per month on a $200,000 home. A small price to ensure the vital lifesaving staffing and equipment to respond to your emergencies!

Prior to the 2010 annexation, the City’s general funds supplemented the Fire Department; since annexation, the Fire District has been using district reserve funds to sustain the general operations. These reserve funds are being rapidly depleted due to operational needs and our challenging economic times. Over the past 2+ years the District has increased staffing to provide quicker and better life saving services to the citizens of Enumclaw and Fire District 28. Please vote YES; let’s keep our fire fighters responding to your emergencies!

Statement in opposition

In 2011, the City of Enumclaw annexed into Fire District #28. Since then, through lack of administrative experience and poor financial management of taxpayer dollars, the District Fire Commissioners failed to set up proper policies that would lead to prudent oversight. Below are three examples of poor financial decisions:
• Taxpayer purchase of mobile home owned by one of the Commissioners for $85,000 valued at $10,000, used for firefighter dormitory. Total project cost $309,794.
• Purchase of property for $500,000 valued at $60,000 for a new fire station if it is built, an additional $1 million sewer pump station would be required.
• Hiring of six additional firefighters, four through a grant without having the money and resources to continue to pay them after the grant ends. The District will have to pay back $600,000 if they are not retained—money they no longer have.
• District Commissioners, themselves firefighters, negotiate union contracts—No checks and balances for transparency and accountability.

Freewheel spending with no accountability to the taxpayers does not earn the Commissioners the right to ask for more money. It’s time to put a stop to bad financial management. Fire dollars are your dollars. Vote No!

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

This proposition is about ensuring that adequate fire and emergency medical resources are in place to save lives and property; perhaps your life or property. It should not be a referendum on the Commissioner’s past actions as the opposition would like; as there will be a new Board of Commissioners effective January 1. Note that the opposition does not dispute the need for the levy increase. Use your vote wisely. VOTE YES.

Statement submitted by: Elbert Reed, Lane Walthers and Heath Rainwater eor@telisphere.com

Rebuttal of statement in favor

According to a recent article from a labor law group, Enumclaw firefighter’s rank 2nd in Washington State for wages. Seattle is ranked 10th. Pass this levy and they will soon be the highest paid fire district in the state.

The city of Enumclaw collected .83 cents per thousand before the district merger. Increasing to $1.50 per thousand represents an 80% increase in just 2 years. Vote no and demand accountability for your tax dollars.

Statement submitted by: Mike Qualls
253-569-6491
King County Fire Protection District No. 44

Proposition No. 1
Levy of General Tax for Maintenance and Operations

The Board of King County Fire Protection District No. 44 adopted Resolution No. 13-487 concerning a proposition to adequately finance maintenance and operation costs.
This proposition provides for the support of fire protection and emergency medical services, facilities, maintenance, staffing and operations by authorizing the District to levy excess taxes in the amount of $650,000.00 per year for four consecutive years beginning in 2013 to be collected in each year following at an approximate levy rate of $0.31 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (the actual rate will be based on assessed values).

Should this proposition be approved?
Yes
No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Explanatory statement
If approved by the voters, the Fire District will be authorized to levy a maintenance and operations excess levy in the sum of $650,000.00 per year to be collected in 2014 through 2017. Such levy will be in addition to the District’s regular and EMS tax levies for a temporary four-year period. Based on current assessed property valuations the District estimates that the tax levy rate necessary to generate these funds each year will be approximately $0.31 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. In subsequent years the levy rate will decrease if assessed property values increase.
Declining assessed property values have caused the District’s revenue to drop $1,850,151.00 from 2008 to 2013. During this same period, the cost of specialized equipment, personnel training, and supplies required by various laws, codes and standards have increased. Due to the decrease in revenues, the District will not be able to maintain current staffing and service levels within the limitations of the District’s regular tax levy. The proposed maintenance and operations levy funds will be used to maintain service levels and retain firefighters.

If the levy is approved, the additional maximum tax per $100,000.00 assessed valuation is estimated not to exceed approximately $31.00 each year or an additional $2.58 per month for fire protection and emergency medical services.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
Gregory Smith - Fire Chief
253-735-0284 • info@kcfd44.org

Statement in favor
* Due to a 39% drop in revenue, fire stations that have previously been staff during the day, will often be closed and responses to medical emergencies may take longer. * The passage of this levy is essential! In the past, the District has met our needs with statutory funds based on property value. Due to the 39 % decline in assessed valuation of property in our district, the district needs our support. This need will be short-term (four years) as property values are expected to increase.

As your neighbors, we encourage you to vote “YES” for this levy. The Fire District has been there for us when loved ones have had heart attacks, when our children have sustained serious injuries, when our homes have been consumed with fire--we need to support the district now so that they will continue to provide the level of service we need.

We are blessed with a district that exceeds county and national average in heart attack survival rates--this is due to response time, skill and training. We need to support this levy to continue the current level of service. It is also critical that the eight schools in our district have timely emergency response from trained professionals.

We ask you to please vote “YES” and mail in your ballot!

Citizens for Fire District 44

Statement submitted by: Linda S. Cown and Monroe Shropshire

Statement in opposition
No statement submitted.

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**Proposition No. 1**

**Increasing the Number of Commissioners**

Shall the Board of Commissioners of East Pierce Fire & Rescue be increased from five members to seven members?

Yes

No

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**Explanatory statement**

Washington State Law now allows a seven-member board of commissioners for a fire protection district, with voter approval. For approval, the proposition requires a simple majority of the registered voters casting ballots.

The Board of Fire Commissioners for East Pierce Fire & Rescue (District No. 22) has passed a resolution determining that it would be in the best interest of the district and its citizens to change the number of fire commissioners from five to seven. Authorizing a seven-member Board would increase representation from the community and for the citizens of the community. The fire district has grown so much through mergers and annexation of city service areas, in recent years, that the number of citizens represented by each commissioner has greatly increased. This measure would restore an appropriate ratio or level of representation.

Population growth and the increasing number of 911 responses continues to make the provision of fire and emergency services more complex. A larger Board of elected officials will help to deal with this increasing complexity. This change would also allow the Commissioners to appoint committees of the Board to study issues for presentation to the full Board.

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**Statement in favor**

We urge you to support East Pierce Fire & Rescue’s effort to provide appropriate oversight to the district by approving a seven member Board of Commissioners. Fire Commissioners represent the citizens, provide oversight, approve policies, and develop a budget for your fire district. Adequate representation is important ensuring the fire district continues to provide the best service possible.

Your fire district has grown since 2000 into a large agency providing key fire and emergency medical services to over 85,000 people in 152 square miles of Pierce County. The increase in efficiencies and cost savings has allowed the district to provide a quality emergency service, including no “out of pocket expense” paramedic and transport services, Public Education programs on fire and water safety, a Wildland firefighting Team, a High Angle Rescue team.

Recent state legislation allows for large fire districts to have seven commissioners, to small cities and towns. The East Pierce Fire Commissioners voted unanimously to place this issue on the ballot to allow all areas of the district better representation on crucial issues to all citizens.

Please join us in supporting a seven member Board of Fire Commissioners for representation for all in our diverse community, by voting yes.

**Statement submitted by:** Dale Mitchell, Victor Proulx and Richard Kuss

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**Statement in opposition**

No statement submitted.

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AN ORDINANCE relating to the creation of a department of public defense, amending Section 350.20 of the King County Charter adding a new Section 350.20.60 entitled “Duties of the Department of Public Defense” to the King County Charter creating a department of public defense and an appointed office with the title of “county public defender,” adding a new Section 350.20.61 to the King County Charter, adding a new Section 350.20.65 to the King County Charter creating a public defense advisory board, adding a new Section 555 to the King County Charter, requiring the executive to consult with the county public defender on the executive’s bargaining with employees of the department of public defense, submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2013 general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the qualified 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 350.20 of the King County Charter and adding a new Section 350.20.60, new Section 350.20.61, new Section 350.20.65, new Section 555 and new Section 899 to the King County Charter, as set forth below:

Section 350.20. Executive Departments.

The executive departments shall consist of the department of assessments, the department of judicial administration, the department of elections, the department of public defense and those agencies of the executive branch which are primarily engaged in the execution and enforcement of ordinances and statutes concerning the public peace, health and safety and which furnish or provide governmental services directly to or for the residents of the county.

Section 350.20.60. Duties of the Department of Public Defense.

The duties of the department of public defense shall include providing legal counsel and representation to indigent individuals in legal proceedings, including those in the superior and district courts for King County and in appeals from those courts, to the extent required under the sixth amendment to the United States Constitution or Article I, Section 22, of the Constitution of the State of Washington. The department of public defense shall also foster and promote system improvements, efficiencies, access to justice and equity in the criminal justice system. Additional duties may be prescribed by ordinance. Elected officials shall not interfere with the exercise of these duties by the department; however, the enactment of appropriation ordinances does not constitute interference. The department shall not have its duties, as established in this section, decreased by the county council or the county executive.

Section 350.20.61. Administration of the Department of Public Defense.

The department of public defense shall be managed by the county public defender. The department shall utilize the services of the executive departments and administrative offices as administered by the county executive.

The county public defender shall be appointed by the county executive, subject to confirmation by the county council, to a term that ends at the same time as the term of the county prosecuting attorney, unless removed earlier by the executive for cause, including the grounds for vacancy for elective office under Section 680 of this charter and such other grounds as the council may prescribe by ordinance. The removal may be appealed by the defender to the council by a process to be prescribed by ordinance. The council’s determination shall be final.

The county executive shall appoint the county public defender from candidates recommended by the public defense advisory board under a process prescribed by ordinance. Qualifications of the county public defender may be established by ordinance. The county executive may reappoint the county public defender to additional terms, subject to confirmation by the county council. Confirmation of the appointment or reappointment, or removal when appealed, shall require the affirmative votes of at least five members of the county council.

Section 350.20.65. Public Defense Advisory Board.

The public defense advisory board is established to review, advise and report on the department of public defense in a manner that may be prescribed by ordinance. The board shall also advise the executive and council on matters of equity and social justice related to public defense. In the event of a vacancy in the office of county public defender, the board shall recommend candidates from whom the county executive shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy subject to confirmation by the county council. The county council shall prescribe by ordinance the board’s membership, process and qualifications for appointment to the board, rules and procedures, and may prescribe by ordinance additional duties of the board.

Section 555. Department of Public Defense.

Nothing in this Article 5 shall limit the ability of the county to contract with any person, organization, or government for services that could be provided by the department of public defense.


The county executive shall consult with the county public defender on the plans and goals for bargaining before and periodically during the negotiation of terms and conditions of employment with employees of the department of public defense. The council may prescribe the method of consultation by ordinance.

SECTION 2. The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the director of the elections department, 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 create an appointed office of county public defender, a department of public defense, and a public defense advisory board, permit the county to contract for public defense services, and require the executive to consult with the county public defender on the executive’s bargaining with employees of the department of public defense?

Ordinance 17614 was introduced on 4/22/2013 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/1/2013, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott and Mr. Dembowski
No: 0
Excused: 0
AN ORDINANCE relating to the funding and provision of Medic One emergency medical services; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County, at special election on November 5, 2013, of a proposition to fund county-wide Medic One emergency medical services by authorizing the continuation of an additional regular property tax levy for a consecutive six year period, for collection beginning in 2014, at a rate of $0.335 or less per $1,000 of assessed valuation to provide for Medic One emergency medical services.

PREAMBLE:
The Medic One Emergency Medical Services (“EMS”) system of King County, publicly known as Medic One, is an integrated publicly funded partnership between the county, cities, fire districts, regional fire authorities, hospitals and the University of Washington. Medic One/EMS is a tiered response system that is based on the regional medical model and collaborative partnerships. The services that EMS personnel provide are derived from the highest standards of medical training, practices and care, scientific evidence and close supervision by physicians experienced in EMS care. It includes basic life support by city, fire district and regional fire authority emergency medical technicians, advanced life support by University of Washington/Harborview Medical Center trained paramedics, and regional support programs that provide citizen and EMS personnel training, regional medical control and quality improvement.

The Medic One/EMS system of King County is recognized as one of the best emergency medical services program in the country. It saves thousands of lives every year, providing life-saving services on average every 3 minutes. Compared to other cities, cardiac arrest victims are 4 to 5 times more likely to survive. In 2011, it achieved a 52% survival rate for cardiac arrest, which is the highest rate to date anywhere.

The provision of Medic One emergency medical services on a countywide basis is a public purpose of King County. King County supports Medic One emergency medical services as a regional service that requires a continuing leadership role for the county. The county should continue to exercise its leadership and assume responsibility for assuring the orderly and comprehensive development and provision of Medic One emergency medical services throughout the county. The concern for assuring the continuance of a county-wide Medic One/EMS system is shared by King County cities, fire protection districts, and regional fire authorities that participate in the Medic One emergency medical services programs. Sustained funding for the regional Medic One/EMS system is needed to continue this essential service for the residents of King County. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Approval of cities over 50,000 in population. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069, before submission to the electors of King County at a special election on November 5, 2013, approval to place this countywide levy proposal on the ballot will be obtained from the legislative bodies of all cities in the county over 50,000 in population.

SECTION 2. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this ordinance unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

A. “County” means King County.
B. “Levy” means the levy of regular property taxes, for the specific purpose and term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state law.
C. “Levy proceeds” means the principal amount of funds raised by the levy, any interest earnings on the funds and the proceeds of any interim financing following authorization of the levy.

SECTION 3. City of Seattle reimbursement. It is recognized that the city of Seattle operates and funds a Medic One emergency medical services program that is separate from the county program but part of the regional delivery system. All levy proceeds collected pursuant to the levy authorized in this ordinance from taxable property located within the legal boundaries of the City of Seattle shall be reimbursed and transferred to the city of Seattle and used solely for the Seattle Medic One emergency medical services program in accordance with RCW 84.52.069.

SECTION 4. Levy submittal to voters. To provide necessary funds for the Medic One/EMS system under the authority of RCW 84.52.069, the county council shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy for six consecutive years, with collection commencing in 2014, at a rate not to exceed $0.335 per one thousand dollars of assessed value. As provided under state law, this levy shall be exempt from the rate limitations under RCW 84.52.043, but subject in years two through six to the limitations imposed under Chapter 84.55 RCW.

SECTION 5. Deposit of levy proceeds. Except for the levy proceeds provided to the City of Seattle under section 3 of this ordinance, all levy proceeds shall be deposited into the county Emergency Medical Services fund.

SECTION 6. Eligible expenditures. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, all levy proceeds authorized in this ordinance shall be used in accordance with RCW 84.52.069.

SECTION 7. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, a special election is called for November 5, 2013, to consider a proposition authorizing an additional regular property tax levy for the purposes described in this ordinance. The director of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the said special election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the director of elections, in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION ONE: The King County Council passed Ordinance _______ concerning funding for the county-wide Medic One emergency medical services system. This proposition would replace an expiring levy to continue funding of Medic One emergency medical services. It would authorize King County to impose regular property tax levies of $0.335 or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection beginning in 2014, as provided in King County Ordinance _____. Should this proposition be:

Approved? _____
Rejected? _____

SECTION 8. Interlocal agreement. The county executive is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle relating to the Medic One program, to implement the provisions of section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. Local voters’ pamphlet. The director of elections is hereby authorized and requested to prepare and distribute a local voters’ pamphlet, pursuant to K.C.C. 1.10.010, for the special election called for in this ordinance, the cost of the pamphlet to be included as part of the cost of the election.

SECTION 10. Ratification. Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the county council to the King County director of elections in accordance with law before the election on November 5, 2013, and any other act consistent with the authority and before the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 11. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances if not affected.

Ordinance 17598 was introduced on 4/8/2013 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/3/2013, by the following vote: Yes: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott and Mr. Dembowski
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Once you’ve read your voters’ pamphlet and filled out your ballot, please recycle your pamphlet.
Slip your ballot inside the black and white sleeve-style envelope. The margin of your ballot will stick out from the side, but all your votes will be covered.

Do not make additional folds to your ballot or tape the envelope shut.

Now place the black and white envelope with your ballot into the return envelope.

The new “sleeve-style” design complies with state law and provides the same level of security that the previous envelope design provided. It covers votes while speeding up ballot processing. Privacy of your vote is further ensured by the two-step opening process.

What do pancakes and ballots have in common?

They both need to be turned over to be done.

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