Dear King County voter:

Welcome to the 2009 local voters’ pamphlet. I encourage you to read the information here to cast an educated and informed vote. Polling places are closed for this election and your ballot will arrive in the mail in the next few days. Voters with disabilities or who need assistance can cast a private and independent ballot at one of King County’s accessible voting centers; read on for more information.

This is King County’s second countywide all-mail election, and you will find voting by mail to be easy and convenient. We have implemented several new features over the last year to make the voting process more convenient and accountable to you, the voter. More information can be found in this voters’ pamphlet.

Remember, every vote counts; be sure to vote on Tuesday, August 18.

Sincerely,

Sherril Huff
Director
King County Elections

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Voter Information: what you need to know

Qualifications to register
To register to vote in King County, you must be:
• a citizen of the United States;
• a legal resident of Washington State;
• at least 18 years old by election day.

If you have been convicted of a felony in Washington, another state, or in federal court, you lose your right to vote in Washington State until your civil rights are restored.

Registration deadlines
You may register to vote at any time, but keep in mind that there are registration deadlines prior to each election. King County Elections must receive your registration form at least 30 days before the August 18 primary election if you register online or by mail. New Washington voters have up to 8 days before the August 18 primary election to register to vote; however, you must register in person at the King County Elections office.

How to register
Come in person to the King County Elections office, 919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057 or you can complete your registration online at www.vote.wa.gov. Mail-in registration forms are also available. Forms are available from King County Elections, public libraries, public schools, other government offices or the Web at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Keep your voter registration up-to-date
If your voter registration record does not contain your current name or address, it may affect your voting status. Note the deadline for changes. Changes to your name and address must be made 30 days before the August 18 primary election to legally entitle you to vote using your new name or to vote in the precinct associated with your new address. Use the mail-in voter registration form to send your name or address change to King County Elections or call 206-296-8683 to change your address. You can also update your record online at www.vote.wa.gov.

Mail ballots
If you have an address change, do not receive your mail ballot or lose your ballot, please notify King County Elections. Contact information is listed below. Voted mail ballots for this election must be signed and postmarked or delivered to King County Elections on or before August 18.

Services and additional information
Contact King County Elections for further information about registering to vote, help with voting your ballot, or voters’ pamphlets in alternate formats.

Voter Hotline: 206-296-VOTE (8683) or 1-800-325-6165
TTY 206-296-0109
206-296-1544 (Chinese)

Internet: http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections
E-mail: elections@kingcounty.gov
Fax: 206-205-5080 or 206-296-0108
Mail or In Person: King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057
King County
now votes by mail

Your ballot will come soon in the mail.

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

King County voters have been successfully voting by mail since February 2009. Voted ballots must be received at a designated drop box by 8 p.m. on election night, August 18, or be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before election day.

Five simple steps for voting by mail

1. Vote. Make your selections using a blue or black pen.

2. Place your ballot in the security envelope and seal it to ensure your ballot remains secret.

3. Then place the sealed security envelope into the mailing envelope. Read and sign the oath on the return envelope. Your signature is as important as your vote; make sure you take the time to sign your return envelope.

4. Voted ballots must be received at a designated drop box by 8 p.m. on election night or be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before election day.

5. Voters can follow the progress of their ballot through online ballot packet tracking at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.
Frequently asked questions: vote by mail

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

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

When must my voted ballot be returned?
The voted ballot must be received at a designated drop box by 8 p.m. on election night, August 18, or be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before election day.

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

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

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

What if my ballot doesn’t come?
If you have not received your ballot by August 7, call us and we will mail you a replacement ballot.

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

When will election results be known?
Ballot counting cannot begin until election day. Initial results are released at 8 p.m. election night and will be updated once a day in the days that follow until all ballots have been counted.
Returning your mail ballot

Ballot drop boxes are located throughout King County for voters to securely return their ballot without the cost of postage.

Drop boxes will open at 6 a.m. on July 31 and close at 8 p.m. on August 18, Election Day.

**King County locations**

- Auburn Library
  1102 Auburn Wy S, 98002

- Library Connection@Crossroads
  15600 NE 8th St
  Bellevue, 98008

- Black Diamond Library
  24707 Roberts Dr, 98010

- Covington Library
  27100 164th Ave SE, 98042

- Des Moines Library
  21620 11th Ave S, 98198

- Fall City Library
  33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024

- Federal Way Library
  848 S 320th St, 98003

- Kent Regional Library
  212 2nd Ave N, 98032

- Lake Forest Park Library
  17171 Bothell Wy NE, 98155

- King County Elections
  919 SW Grady Wy
  Renton, 98057

- Woodinville Library
  17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072

**Seattle locations**

- Ballard
  5604 22nd Ave NW, 98107

- Central
  2301 S Jackson, 98144

- Delridge
  5405 Delridge Wy SW, 98106

- King County Administration Bldg
  500 4th Ave, 98104

- Lake City
  12525 28th Ave NE, 98125

- Southeast
  3815 S Othello St, 98118

- University
  4534 University Wy NE, 98105

- White Center Library
  11220 16th Ave SW, 98146

**Seattle Neighborhood Service Center locations**

- Ballard
  5604 22nd Ave NW, 98107

- Central
  2301 S Jackson, 98144

- Delridge
  5405 Delridge Wy SW, 98106
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Occupation: King County Councilmember
Education: B.A., University of Washington; J.D., Willamette University; M.A., Labor Law, George Washington University

Times are tough, but our best days are ahead if we bring stability to our local economy and hold government accountable to our values.

I will put King County back to work, run a smarter government, and keep our communities healthy and safe.

We must get our economy moving. I will use every stimulus dollar and resource available to invest in mass transit and infrastructure to create family-wage jobs and improve our communities.

At a time when cost-cutting is at the core of King County government discussions, I have led reforms in how the county operates. When the county faced staggering deficits, I helped reduce the budget by more than $200 million. I have successfully worked with county employees to save $47 million in healthcare and labor costs. I chaired Sound Transit’s oversight committee and helped bring light rail to our region on-time and $135 million under budget.

I will bring common-sense budgeting to the executive’s office. As a father, I know the importance of protecting our communities, our environment and the health of our neighbors. I will keep sheriff’s deputies on the streets, buses running, and the doors to public health clinics open.

We need to bring every city within King County together to tell the world that we are open for business. Working with community and business leaders, I will recruit cutting-edge companies in green building and clean energy, so King County will continue to set the standard in private innovation and economic growth.

I have broad support from all across the county. Labor unions, business and environmental leaders, and elected officials from urban, suburban and rural King County have all endorsed my candidacy.

I’m asking for your vote August 18. Let’s get King County’s economy back on track and create a more efficient, effective 21st Century government.

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Occupation: Mayor, city council, state legislator, state senator, private sector manager
Education: MBA, Seattle University, BA Finance, Washington State University, Mercer Island High School

I am running for King County Executive to bring change to county government. The county is on the brink of financial crisis. Facing ever growing deficits the county’s services, jobs, businesses and quality of life are at risk. Recycling the same old answers won’t get us anywhere. The county needs new leadership – leadership with a record of making the smart, tough decisions it will take to change the way King County does business. That is what I offer voters in this election.

I have 35 years of private sector management experience. I know what it takes to balance a budget and instill fiscal discipline.

I have never been locked into partisan politics and have a proven record of bipartisan independence. I don’t hesitate to stand up for what is right, regardless of the political consequences. Two years ago I made the difficult decision to change political parties because of my pro-choice and progressive views – because playing it safe would have meant compromising my convictions. I am proud that the same voters who elected me as a Republican elected me their new Democratic State Senator. Whether in the Air Force, managing complex finances at Boeing, or pioneering solutions in local and state office, I have consistently put the people above politics.

I believe that is why I have earned top honors from environmental, education and good government organizations – and the support of Democrats, Republicans and Independents.

On day one, I will take action to put King County’s financial house in order. Only then can we get to work creating the King County we all want - new jobs and a resurgent economy, a world-class and cost effective transportation system and unwavering support for our environment.
We Americans are all children of Madison. He protected us from the aristocratic Congress, but his efforts have been only partially successful. He promised his fellow Virginians that if they sent him to New York, he would introduce a Bill of Rights to satisfy their objections to the document. Madison introduced his bill on June 6, 1789. His Bill is more perfect than what came out of Congress, and We should now help his efforts to finally succeed by now amending the document according to his Bill. Our past will have been just the birth pangs of freedom lasting 220 years, and we can be forgiven our youthful indiscretions. At that time, piracy ruled the seas, so it was thought wise by President Pierce not to sign the Paris Declaration Respecting Maritime Law. Lincoln demonetized silver during the ensuing Civil War. Though as yet imperfect, the Constitution gives us enough freedom to alter our fates by sharing this message: Google Article the First. Then ask your legislator when he is going to act to pass it. Ten states have already passed it, and if We join, only 26 more will be needed to limit the size of a Congressional District to 50,000. I will forever defend the County Charter, and the State and Federal Constitutions, to ensure us a prosperous future. To start with, I will pay all County debts in Silver Coin. The Charter calls for the County to acquire useful property, so we should buy a local mine to provide our metals, to remediate our waters, and to institute a copper bank to secure Our wealth. The Charter also enables the County to acquire renewable energy resources, and these will secure our beautiful home. We can all win this year. Please join my efforts at http://www.stanforcounty.org.

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Occupation: Physicist

I will carry out the position of Executive to serve the citizens of King County. I will make logical practical decisions that uphold our constitutional rights, respect our religious freedoms, protect our environment, pursue future jobs and insure careful use of our public funds.

I am proud to have served in the United States Marine Corps and am a Life Member of the Disabled American Veterans. I am a native of Washington State and have lived in King County for the past 22 years. In addition to being a Professional Civil Engineer, I studied nights to obtain a Paralegal Certificate, Bachelor of Science degree in Management along with Masters degrees in both Business and Public Administration.

My unique background in Civil Engineering and Management qualifies me to provide dynamic leadership in addressing the many complex issues now facing our County, including but not limited to: TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENTAL, BUDGET, ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES.

I ask for your vote and the privilege of serving you as your King County Executive. Thank you, Alan Lobdell. See alanlobdell.com
Susan Hutchison

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

**Education:** B.A. - University of Florida

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**BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER TO GET THINGS DONE...**

that’s my commitment. County government should provide public services free of partisanship. That’s why voters decided last November to make the executive position non-partisan. As the leader of an arts and science foundation, and years of service on the boards of the Seattle Symphony, Children’s Hospital and Salvation Army, I’ve established a successful record of bringing diverse people and interests together to solve complex problems.

I am proud to be **ENDORSED BY DEMOCRATS** like State Auditor Brian Sonntag and former Congressman Don Bonker, and **REPUBLICANS** like Attorney General Rob McKenna and former Secretary of State Ralph Munro. If you’re looking for meaningful change, and strong, independent leadership, then I am your candidate and I humbly ask for your support. Working together we can again make King County the best place to live and work. Thank you for your vote!

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Dow Constantine

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

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

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“In King County we invented commercial air travel, revolutionized personal computing, and are leading the way on cancer research and clean energy. We deserve a county government as innovative as the people who live here.”

Elect Dow Constantine, the Candidate of Change – and Substance

Dow Constantine has an established record as a no-nonsense reformer who leads on tough issues. Dow was the first candidate to offer a plan to cut County benefit costs, praised by The Seattle Times as “a dose of economic reality.”

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

**I’LL FIGHT TO:** • **HELP SMALL BUSINESSES CREATE JOBS...** Small businesses are the engine of job creation. I’ll fight for tax incentives for small businesses to create jobs, encourage businesses to locate here, and keep existing businesses from leaving. • **ESTABLISH A TRANSPORTATION “CZAR”...** Traffic gridlock is killing jobs. I’ll establish a transportation “Czar” to oversee the multiple agencies – to cut costs and increase efficiency. Strong leadership and accountability is our best hope for improving transportation. • **PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT...** I’ll work cooperatively with environmental, labor and business groups towards goals that serve our entire community, and ensure that necessary resources are available to restore Puget Sound.

I am proud to be **ENDORSED BY DEMOCRATS** like State Auditor Brian Sonntag and former Congressman Don Bonker, and **REPUBLICANS** like Attorney General Rob McKenna and former Secretary of State Ralph Munro. If you’re looking for meaningful change, and strong, independent leadership, then I am your candidate and I humbly ask for your support. Working together we can again make King County the best place to live and work. Thank you for your vote!

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Instead of political sound bites, Dow offers detailed, pragmatic solutions.

**A Vision for All of King County:** Dow is the only candidate who represents suburban cities, rural areas and Seattle neighborhoods. Dow rejects the tired political divisions that pit communities against each other. He works across geographic and partisan divides.

**A Champion for Jobs:** The son of teachers and grandson of a sawmill worker, Dow has delivered job training, protected industrial lands and promoted middle class tax relief. Dow’s Vision: cut red tape; develop new jobs in clean technologies; protect manufacturing and trade.

**Proven Transportation Leadership:** Dow was the first regional leader to present detailed arguments for the successful 2008 light rail vote. He has proposed millions in Sound Transit cost savings. Dow’s Vision: break gridlock on 520 replacement and highway improvements; increase efficient transit investments.

**Genuine Environmental Commitment:** Dow introduced the state’s first climate change legislation, protected open space, and challenged a multinational mining company despoiling Puget Sound. Dow’s Vision: Action on climate and clean energy; smart development and planning.

Dow Constantine will reform King County government while staying true to our fundamental values.

Select Endorsements: 34th, 37th Democrats; State Sens Ed Murray, Karen Keiser, Ken Jacobsen, Reps Sharon Nelson, Tina Orwall, Geoff Simpson; ATU 587; Maritime Trades; Building Trades; WEA; and Firefighters
It’s time for change in King County government.

King County is a great place to live, but everything takes too long and costs too much. King County has both a spending problem and many management issues that make effective governing increasingly difficult.

I’m a 4-term Democratic state legislator from the Eastside with a strong history of fiscal responsibility and a proven record of results. My opponents have years in county and local government. I bring a new perspective, and will be an Executive for the whole county.

Before the legislature I was a General Manager at Microsoft, building world class software and managing a product group.

I can get it done: - Led the fight to re-define basic education - Prime sponsor of rainy day fund bill in the House - Toxics coalition Legislator of the Year for work on public health.

While many of us are struggling in these tough economic times, King County cut services to the poor to give raises to county employees. We should set better priorities, preserving key functions, as families do. We need a county government that reflects our values: ensuring a strong social safety net, real environment stewardship and a working relationship with other regional governments.

We must get Metro’s costs under control to prevent cutbacks and expand bus service. A report by the non-partisan Municipal League found that Metro Transit has operating costs 22% higher than the national average.

We can build a region with compact, transit-oriented development, working farms and forests, and an efficient transportation system that has service in all parts of the county, not just downtown. We can finalize the 520 bridge and viaduct replacement projects.

Together we can fix the broken relationships the county has with our cities and bring a new regionalism to King County.
The above statements are submitted by the candidates, who are solely responsible for the contents therein.

King County
Council District No. 9 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

Mark Greene
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Occupation: Playwright
Education: Inver Hills College, A.A.S.

1908: 101 years ago, William Jennings Bryan, the Democratic Party’s presidential nominee, crisscrossed America and asked, “Shall the people rule?” Years later, as Wilson’s Secretary of State, he resigned on principle, opposing Wilson’s foreign intervention.

1976: As a Democratic candidate for Michigan Legislature, I spoke out for a reform agenda. Years later, Michigan was wracked by problems that could have been averted by reforms.

1986: As an independent candidate for Congress in Minnesota, I was among the first of politicians to warn about global warming, now the slowness in prevention and adaptation is hindering ecology.

2000: As Democratic nominee for Congress in Alaska, I proposed tightening War Powers Act through Constitutional amendment, so Congress’s authority would be primary.

2008: Party of Commons endorsed Christine Gregoire for governor.

2009 A.D.: Unlike present council, I wouldn’t waste money using taxpayer funded mailing privileges excessively, nor mandate qualifications for elections as if voters couldn’t do that, nor try to make it harder for citizens to put up initiative-type proposals. “Commons” has proposed I-432 which would make it easier for common citizens to run for office. Please, write for petition(s); must be in by 12/31/09.

Beverly Harison Tonda
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Occupation: Multi-State Leadership & Financial Services Trainer
Education: B.A. Business Administration University of Washington & Senior Professional in Human Resources

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

Reagan Dunn
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Occupation: Prior to election I served the U.S. Department of Justice.
Education: I am a graduate of the University of Washington School of Law, Order of Barristers

It has been an honor to represent you on the King County Council over the last four years.

As the third generation of my family to live in District 9, I have fought hard against unnecessary tax increases and worked to make the county more fiscally disciplined. I am proud to have protected public safety, strengthened property rights, made taxation more transparent and protected 7,000 acres of open space in the Raging River.

There is still much more to do. King County faces another $50 million deficit in 2010. Some in county government want to raise your taxes again to cover this deficit. I oppose new taxes during this recession because right now you need to take care of your family. In tough times, King County needs to encourage economic growth that will provide local jobs.

Over the next four years, I will strive to get King County’s finances under control, continue protecting public safety from budget cuts and continue to preserve our quality of life.

All eight mayors in District 9 have endorsed my candidacy for re-election. I am seeking re-election to complete the work I have begun. **I work for you and would appreciate your vote.**
Robert D. Kelly
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Occupation: • Lawyer

I welcome the opportunity to work hard at the job of judging. If elected, I promise to do my utmost to serve honorably and perform the duties of a judge with due diligence, perseverance, and steadfast devotion to duty. I pray I would make decisions with reason, logic and wisdom to help build a better judicial system and government.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Occupation: Biofuel/Truck Fleet Fuel Salesman
Education: Masters of Public Administration, Seattle University, 2004

Rob Holland For Port Commission

Direct Port Experience

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

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

A Plan For Jobs

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

Caring for Communities

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

Environmental Stewardship

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

Endorsements That Matter

King County Democrats; KC Building Trades Council; Rep. Adam Smith; more than a dozen legislators, Mayors of Kent, Auburn, Burien; firefighters; business leaders and hundreds more...

David Doud

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Occupation: Investment Properties Broker
Education: MBA from Thunderbird School of Global Management

David Doud's experience makes him uniquely qualified to serve on the Seattle Port Commission.

The Port is one of the largest landowners in the county. As a respected investment properties expert, David will lead the Port to leverage its assets and obtain the highest and best uses for its properties.

David has learned from personal experience the importance of improving our environment and he believes the Port needs to be a conservation leader. David has served on the Commission for the Mercer Slough Environmental Center and served for three years as an Associate Supervisor on the King Conservation District.

Having worked for the Berlin State Parliament, led local delegations to China, and served as an advisor to a trade-oriented bank, David knows first-hand how to attract foreign customers to our Port and bring family wage jobs to our community.

Currently all the port Commissioners reside within Seattle while David lives on the Eastside and works throughout the region. It is time to have a Commission that represents all of King County.

• Investment Properties broker • MBA from Thunderbird School of Global Management • Wrote for Seattle Times and published book, Berlin 2000 • Active with Bellevue Chamber of Commerce and the Performing Arts Center Eastside • Member of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties

While other candidates are attempting to make the Port Commission into a partisan position, David is supported by both Republicans and Democrats. From environmental and business leaders to many suburban mayors and city council members, they all agree -- David is the most qualified candidate to serve us on the Port.
As a Seattle Port Commissioner, Al Yuen will bring strong business experience in the operation of our port and trade in both the local and international markets.

Growth in our Greater Seattle–King County area has come at a high cost to our environment. Noise pollution, traffic congestion, crowded facilities and major delays are just a few problems we are now facing. We need to look for alternatives to relieve these problems NOW. Seattle Port’s infrastructure projects must improve our efficiency without damaging our environment, creating jobs for the skill and apprentice programs for those who need the skill at our port facilities, port facility should be a profitable entity and reduce our taxpayer’s burden, be accountable and exercise fiscal discipline.

He has visited many port facilities in the Pacific Rim countries. He met with port managers and planners and studied their high tech port management systems. He will use this knowledge to help our port to be a world leader in port operations. As an American with an Asian heritage, he has the cultural understanding needed to develop international trade.

Born in San Francisco, a resident of King County for more than 40 years, Al Yuen holds a BA in Law Administration, Masters in Business and a Real Estate Broker specializing as a commercial/business broker and business consultant. Former Transportation Commissioner and Waterfront Development Advisory Board Member for the City of Bellevue, Past President of Seattle Sister City to Taiwan and Mexico for over 15 years.

His experience from blue-collar workers to business owners, from small business issues to the complexities of international relations will bring to the Seattle Port Commission a viewpoint and understanding of port management and trade that is needed. Al is a strong advocate on jobs and environmental protection in our region.
Juan Paraiso
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Occupation: Retired
Education: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Juan Paraiso had worked at the Port of Seattle for seven years as a Senior Electrical Engineer. He can bring effective leadership to the Seattle Port Commission. He has a good understanding about the recent state audit on projects and contract works at the port. He will work to reform the way Port of Seattle does project and contract works to make it a high performance organization. The current work organization is top heavy and inefficient.

In order to get a competitive edge over other west coast ports, Port of Seattle has to lead efforts on improving freight-related traffic problems and improve ability to move goods from port to consumer quickly. Juan will work on policies for implementing sound environmental protection and phased elimination of taxpayers’ subsidy to the Port.

Thank you for voting Juan Paraiso for Seattle Port Commissioner.

Max Vekich
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Occupation: Supercargo/Marine Clerk, Longshore Union; former four term Democratic Legislator
Education: BA University of Puget Sound, 1976; Grays Harbor College, Student Body President, 1974

Max Vekich: Uniquely Qualified
Max Vekich is a respected former legislator who chaired the House Commerce and Labor and Trade and Economic Development Committees—Max will bring needed legislative skills and relevant policy expertise to the Port Commission.

A career longshore worker and marine trade expert, Max is the only candidate in this position with hands-on port experience and a track record of legislative action to expand trade and jobs in our region.

Protect and Expand Jobs
Max’s top priority is preserving and creating jobs at the Port and in the hundreds of businesses that rely on it. By preserving Fisherman’s Terminal and our urban industrial areas, Max will help protect options for future job creation.

Transparency and Accountability
The Port has been distracted by scandal and fraud—undermining public confidence. Max will fight for policies that increase transparency and curb insider influence. Max will bring the Port back to the people of King County.

Conservation Leadership
Max will protect environmental quality through encouraging ship plug-in technology, helping truckers overhaul their vehicles to reduce pollution, and implement technology reducing jet noise and emissions.

The following individuals and organizations all agree – OUR Port Needs Max!
Congressman Jay Inslee, Superintendent Randy Dorn, 37th District Democrats, ILWU Local 52, Teamsters Local 174, Inland Boatmen’s Union, Sailors’ Union of the Pacific, and Marine Engineers Beneficial Association
Our regional economy depends on the Port of Seattle and its SeaTac airport, Fisherman’s Terminal (base of the Alaska fishing fleet), and seaport cargo facilities. The Port connects us to the world, creates jobs here, and anchors our maritime/manufacturing/industrial base.

We need more jobs now. We need to make sure the Port is still creating jobs when our children and grandchildren will need them. We need to be ecologically sound and economically vital or we all lose. We need leadership that is running the Port’s business for all of us - and not just the insiders.

We need Tom Albro on the Port Commission. Tom is a proven reformer, regional leader, green job creator, and civil engineer. He is tough, independent, and dedicated to public service.

Tom Albro is not an insider - he will lead the Port in serving all of us. Tom will:

• Grow our job base by improving the Port’s competitiveness and protecting its industrial land uses.

• Complete needed reforms and hold management accountable by demanding honest, open governance of the Port.

• Reduce environmental impact with smart operating practices, innovation and wise stewardship.

From studying civil engineering at the UW, to being a Teamster and learning project management at United Parcel Service, to owning and operating several businesses over the last two decades, Tom Albro has proven his ability to succeed. He’s a civic leader, having chaired the Municipal League of King County, the Regional Governance Project, and a citizen committee to improve bus service. He has been a Marshall Fellow, studying public service in Europe, and active in St. Therese School in the Madrona neighborhood.

Please join us and folks like Governor Dan Evans, Deb Eddy, Dick Ford, and Peter Steinbrueck and vote for Tom. We need him at the Port.

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Occupation: Information Technology – Operations Engineer
Education: B.A. – The Evergreen State College

The last time I ran for this office, which pays only $6,000 per year, my opponents spent close to $500,000 on their full-time campaigns. I paid the $60 filing fee, and spent nothing else. For all of the expensive campaigning, voters ultimately lost. The decades-long incumbent left office in disgrace amid divisive scandals and a disastrous performance audit.

Although both property tax bills and the costs of administering the Port are on the rise, the Port of Seattle’s business has practically fallen off a cliff. Last year, cargo volumes dropped over 8%, a higher rate of decline than any West Coast port. I wish this wasn’t a consistent story, but it unfortunately is; the Port of Seattle has underperformed other West Coast ports for many years.

Complicating matters, the Port of Seattle has too many businesses to effectively focus 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 (population 80,708) force. That’s just the tip of the iceberg! Clearly, there are opportunities for both operational improvements and divestitures.

Even worse, owing to its large and predictable tax base, other government agencies have started treating the Port of Seattle like an ATM. The Port of Seattle has been asked to contribute toward viaduct replacement after already paying for other state highway projects. It even paid millions toward Sound Transit light rail! Obviously, this trend needs to stop.

Once again, I am not accepting campaign contributions. While I don’t want your money, I would be honored to have your vote!
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Occupation: I am the owner/operator of Shelley’s Total Bodyworks Spa

My husband and I have lived in Auburn thirty five years. I have worked as a volunteer at our children’s school and was PTA president for two years and also worked with the Auburn and State PTA. I worked with the schools, on a sexual predator awareness program. Through the school district, I taught self-esteem classes to the public.

Over the last several years I have watched the decline of the downtown area with great concern. Business after business has closed to where the downtown area now looks like a ghost town. I will work to revitalize downtown and make it a place people want to go and can be proud of. I will work to make Auburn a safer place to work and play. One of the most important things any Mayor can do is to listen to people. That is my intention.

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Occupation: Lock Security Technician, White Knight Safe & Lock
Education: AA Mount Hood Community College, Gresham, OR

City leaders need to support area businesses, not tear them down. We need a city government and employees that remember they work for the citizens, not to fulfill their own agendas at the expense of the citizens.

Is your job still in Auburn? Do you shop in Auburn anymore? Has your utility bill increased in the past year? Is it easy to get a permit for the improvements you want to make to your home or property? What are you really getting for your tax dollar?

As mayor, I will partner with city council members, city staff, and business owners to review our long-term plans. By formulating a sensible plan that includes measures for safety and streamlined, customer-friendly procedures for our residents. I will make Auburn a place that stands by her people, and builds business – not just a town that erects buildings. It’s time for the right change now.

Pete Lewis
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Occupation: Mayor, City of Auburn
Education: Mesa Junior College, Certificate Institute of Financial Education

Proven Leader: Pete offers effective leadership built on partnerships, conservative fiscal management and record of tough decision making. Pete represents Auburn regionally, advocating for our interests. He has taken the lead regionally on infrastructure, economic vitality and sustainability.

Fiscal Conservative: Pete’s strong financial background insures taxpayers’ money is spent wisely, keeping government cost down, making Pete Lewis the best candidate to lead us into the future.

Positive Change: He works with the neighborhoods to help them solve their problems. Pete has delivered on his promises to improve roads, add new programs for youth and provide safe neighborhoods.

Community Service: U.S. Navy War Veteran, Pete fought for veteran services in Auburn. Presided over: Auburn Lions Club, Auburn Chamber, and Auburn Youth Career Fair. “Dedicated Humanitarian Service Award” recipient, Pete works for community safety, opportunity for youth, and seniors, downtown redevelopment, Metro bus route expansion, and park improvements.
Virginia Haugen believes the focus of city government should be to provide basic services cost effectively. She has continuously defended taxpayers and local businesses against actions taken by the current mayor.

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

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

Haugen stands up for the people she represents in Auburn. She is not intimidated by egotistical politicians and does not need money from special interests. Vote Haugen!
City of Black Diamond
Council Position No. 4 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

Jim Kuzaro
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Occupation: Owner of Diamond Landscaping
Education: High School and military service

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

Paula Koch-Boyd
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Education: Enumclaw High School and Green River Community College

My name is Paula Koch-Boyd, I am running for Black Diamond City Council seat #4. With obvious growth coming to Black Diamond decisions made now at local levels will greatly impact our community and future. Small businesses have suffered not only the impact of our declining economy but also the normal flow of traffic detoured when the Black Diamond bridge closed due to repair. We need to do what’s in the best interest for our community, prepare and nurture its development. We need to take pride in its aesthetic appearance making Black Diamond a destined place to stop and visit rather than a town to drive through and bring back much needed revenue to local business. I would like to attract new businesses and families bringing prosperity to our community furthering our future growth. I ask for your vote so together we will make positive changes for our future.

William Saas
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Occupation: Sales and Marketing for 11+ years
Education: High School Graduate, Business Leadership Graduate and currently Berean School of the Bible College

Are you informed of the changes our city of Black Diamond will make over the coming years? Are you aware of the possible impact it may have on you and your family?

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

Case in point, our city was recently in jeopardy of losing much of its pure spring water to a large corporation and most of our citizens were completely unaware. As we are poised for residential and commercial growth, I seek to preserve the small town culture we have all grown to enjoy. I look forward to meeting you in the upcoming months, listening to your story and understanding your perspective.
I have a simple plan to bring back the spirit of the waterland. First, we must improve the public safety and public image of the city. As an 8 year resident of Des Moines, I have been forced to contend with increasing drug related crime in my neighborhood. The only way to improve the safety and well being of our neighborhoods is to hire more police officers and place more emphasis on community awareness.

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

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

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

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

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

It is an honor to seek to represent you on the city council. My name is John Burdine and I am a middle school teacher with Highline Schools and also work part time at Wesley Homes.

Previously I was in business in Ocean Beach, California. I served as President of the merchant’s association and was Vice President of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce. We developed several promotional projects to make the community sparkle.

With children at home and as a teacher I am interested in expanding the services to our youth that Des Moines can provide.

Working at Wesley Homes shows me the vital role that seniors play in our area.

As your representative I would emphasize a sustainable budget and tax policies that are fair to all, while seeking to promote a vibrant community.
City of Des Moines
Council Position No. 7 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

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Occupation: Experienced Real Estate Agent
Education: HS Graduate, some college emphasis on business and marketing

It is an honor to serve the community that I love. I am proud of the accomplishments my efforts have brought to our City. The relationships I’ve helped build with our regional, state and federal representatives have secured a place on the National Register and brought financial resources for the heritage structures in our Beach Park. I have been a regional leader on ferry transportation which may soon bring foot-passenger ferries to our waterfront! I will continue to strengthen our business community. Serving on the Senior Advisory Council, the senior community will remain a priority in my next term. The Arts Commission and South King County Economic Development Initiative are also successful programs to which I have devoted my energies. My positive vision for our City will remain in these challenging times to make Des Moines the best place to live for our families and children.

Dave Kaplan
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Occupation: Executive Director, Washington Self-Insurers Association; Des Moines City Councilmember
Education: BA in Political Science, University of Washington; MBA, George Washington University

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

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

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

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Occupation: Real Estate Agent / Father / Student / Candidate
Education: President’s & Vice-President’s List, Highline Community College, 2008-Present

I’m a new face in politics, but I’m not new to Des Moines. I’m a local real estate agent, a father, and a student at Highline Community College. Most importantly, I’m a veteran number-cruncher and a tireless worker.

When you vote for me, you get a hardworking, passionate advocate who thinks outside the box and has the experience to find unseen efficiencies. I can figure out how to save and fund what is most important to the citizens of Des Moines.

I will work and fight to keep the Mt. Rainier Pool operating, to add officers to our streets, to bring businesses to town, and to help our fine city weather the current economic storm.

I don’t believe in “business as usual.” If there’s a problem, I’ll try to fix it.

Call me. Email me. Tell me what you need and what you believe.
I want to hear from you.
Troy J. Smith
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To the people of Federal Way:
Federal Way is a great place to live and I’m proud to be running for the city council. As our city grows in area, population, and diversity, and interdependence with its South King and North Pierce county neighbors, the city and we the citizens must find responsible ways to enhance our parks and our wetlands. They are getting smaller as the years progress. And also our top-notch utility, emergency and human services for all our residents need more funding. I have lived in Federal Way for six years now and I have been appointed to the Federal Way Diversity Commission this past May. So you ask, can one person really make a difference? Yes, I believe I can, you can, and together we all can in our own way. I hope to earn your vote, thanks.
Troy Smith

Roger Freeman
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Occupation: Attorney at Law
Education: I have a law degree and a bachelor’s degree in political science.

As your next Federal Way Council member, my goals are to improve the quality of life for residents, maintain public safety, and create economic opportunities by cultivating and marketing industry based upon the diversity of our community.

With 15 years’ experience representing families in crisis and defending human rights, I am proud to be an advocate for our community. I serve Federal Way as a Human Services Commissioner, Heritage Leadership Camp youth mentor, and Adelaide Elementary parent volunteer.

I strongly believe in funding human services and developing youth programs. I support city-led campaigns as a way to strengthen local businesses. I champion our senior citizens’ request to have “seniors only” hours at our community center. I will seek to ensure that road improvements are in place to protect school children and commuters who cross busy streets.

We, the people, are Federal Way. Together, we can achieve any goal!

David St. John
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Dear, citizens of Federal Way. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am David St. John and I’m running for City Council Position 6. I am a husband of 18 years and the proud father of two daughters. I am also a 19-year resident of Federal Way and have owned a business in our community for over 14 years. I am running for City Council because I believe that our city has the potential to be not only a great place to live, but also a great place to make a living. I am not a politician. I am a passionate citizen and businessman who wants to serve his community, and I look forward to earning your vote in the months ahead.
The above statements are submitted by the candidates, who are solely responsible for the contents therein.
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**Occupation:** Private practice attorney  
**Education:** Graduate of Seattle University/UPS School of Law

I have resided in Federal Way for 32 years with my wife, Candy, and son, Jason. My practice has encompassed business, criminal and civil law for 32 years. This has allowed me to develop a well rounded expertise and ability to problem solve in a variety of legal and business areas. Having practiced in municipal court, I possess the necessary knowledge in the legal matters that come before the court. Given my experience, personality, temperament and common sense approach I am well suited for the demands of court administration. I will make every effort to enhance the administration of the court to maximize public safety and community trust in our courts. I ask you to vote for me because I want to do my part to put Federal Way first. Thank you.

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**Occupation:** Self-employed attorney in Federal Way; employment law & criminal defense.  
**Education:** B.S. Management Technology, Lewis Clark State College (Lewiston, Idaho); J.D. Gonzaga Law.

Admitted to law practice in 1989, I am a trial lawyer with almost 20 years experience. I handle criminal law matters and employment discrimination cases along with gun rights and other civil rights issues. Having lived and worked in Federal Way since 1991, I previously interned for the Spokane City Prosecutor's Office and worked part-time for the Department of Assigned Counsel in Pierce County. I have written appeals and have a column in the newspaper while operating a law office at my residence in Federal Way. Reason underlies the manners, courtroom procedures, writing style, judge's demeanor and flow of paperwork at the court. My experience of living and working in Federal Way has equipped me to make reasonable changes within the culture of the court; i.e., changes involving credibility, integrity and transparency. Administering justice soundly and efficiently is everyone's goal. Justice has been my passion- ardently pursued!

Rebecca C. Robertson
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**Occupation:** Prosecuting Attorney, Seattle City Attorney's Office, Appellate Unit  
**Education:** Juris Doctor, Seattle University School of Law. B.A. Political Science, University of Washington

Rebecca C. Robertson is the most qualified candidate running for Federal Way Municipal Court. For far too long, Federal Way Municipal Court has been under a dark cloud. Change is needed. Rebecca has the experience, commitment, and professionalism to make this court one of the best in Washington State. She is rated “Well Qualified” by the King County Bar Association and is the Chair of the Washington State Bar Association’s Criminal Law Section. As a Judge Pro Tempore and a Prosecuting Attorney, she has handled thousands of criminal cases. Rebecca began her career prosecuting Domestic Violence cases in Kent. She knows South King County. She knows the law, has compassion for crime victims, and will administer justice fairly. Rebecca is well respected by judges, defense attorneys, and fellow prosecutors, and has a reputation for honesty and integrity. Rebecca will restore fairness, justice, and respectability to Federal Way Municipal Court.
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Occupation: Attorney
Education: Harvard University (Masters in Public Administration) – University of Puget Sound (Juris Doctor) – UW (Bachelor Science)

The citizens of Federal Way need an independent and respectful voice on the bench of their Municipal Court.

My practice began in Federal Way as a bond claim attorney for Reliance Insurance Company and has involved more than 20 years of experience in the management of complex litigation in both Federal and State courts nationwide. I have also served as the Chief Civil Deputy for the Snohomish County Prosecutor.

My recent activities have focused to pro bono services to nonprofit organizations that help the financially distressed and physically disabled. I am seeking this office to continue my commitment to public service AND to restore public confidence in the Federal Way Municipal Court.

I pledge to uphold the integrity of the Court, to assure that all litigants and all court personnel are treated fairly, and to discharge my responsibilities as Judge with impartiality and the utmost care.

Michael Morgan
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Occupation: Municipal Court Judge
Education: Vanderbilt B.A.; Notre Dame and Seattle University Law Schools

Your judge should be a community leader. I raise my family in Federal Way and remain active in local charities and legal education programs. My opponents limited interest in Federal Way has been mostly in pursuit of this position.

I am a fair and decisive judge which is why none of my decisions have been overturned on appeal. I have been rated Exceptionally Well-Qualified and am endorsed by judges, lawyers, community leaders, law enforcement officials, Democrats, Republicans, and former Governors.

Some critics have made unfair judgments about me and our court based on second hand information. A court manager with first hand information said that she never worked for a more outstanding judge.

Our court is profitable while increasing services to the poor, at risk youth, and to crime victims. I would appreciate your vote so I can continue to make our community safe for my family and your family.

Matthew York
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Occupation: King County prosecutor and pro tem municipal judge
Education: Willamette University, Juris Doctorate and Certificate of Dispute Resolution

“Every day in this court you impact lives.”
-- Matthew York

As a King County prosecutor and pro tem municipal court judge, Matthew has earned the respect of defense attorneys, prosecutors, judges and victims’ advocates alike. He has partnered with the DEA and local agencies as both an advisor and educator in current law and practices.

Matthew brings integrity, a balanced perspective and excellence to the position. He will shape a troubled court into one of Washington’s best by committing to the highest levels of ethical conduct and adherence to the rule of law.

Matthew’s many years of experience in criminal law make him the most qualified candidate to serve Federal Way as municipal judge. He will build on his successes in safeguarding your rights while giving the police the resources they need to protect you.
City of Kent
Council Position No. 6 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

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

Re-Elect Elizabeth Albertson to Kent City Council
Elizabeth Albertson is known in the Kent community as a trusted “go to” person when something needs done. Elizabeth is a proven problem-solver who knows how to work WITH people to achieve results.
Elizabeth realizes that making tough decisions isn’t easy, but with her experience on the Council during tough economic times, Elizabeth understands a strong economy creates healthy communities.
As your Councilmember, Elizabeth will continue to keep our neighborhoods safe and livable, maintain necessary services for residents like fire and police protection, provide quality transportation options and clean water to drink. While making sure our most vulnerable citizens are not left behind.
Elizabeth will work on OUR issues. Elizabeth cares about OUR community.
Re-Elect Elizabeth Albertson—Your Kent Firefighters support Elizabeth.
I would be honored to have your vote.

Barbara Phillips
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Occupation: Management Program Assistant
Education: M.S. Project Management

I have been an active resident of the City of Kent for over 16 years, committed to the development of the communities served by the City of Kent and the Kent School District; the Land Use and Planning Board, the Mayor’s Advisory Team, PTA President, Co-chaired the Diversity Task Force, Aviation Program, and Learning Improvement Team. A Master’s degree in Project Management helps me to assess the impact of various projects and activities on the community. The stresses on the city’s resources require a diligent and strong leader. I will embrace the community through listening to the voices of the residents, business owners, elderly and other stakeholders to build a sense of community. I will address all the needs of the community and actively improve current processes. Commitment, transparency and accountability will be self-evident in all activities within my purview of influence.

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

As a member of the Kent City Council my experience as both project and financial planner will help me to implement policies that attract high-paying jobs to Kent. Our city is uniquely positioned to grow and this must be done with consideration and protection of the working families and senior citizens who live here. Traffic congestion is also a critical part of our growth challenge and I will be your advocate for common sense solutions.
I have created strong community relationships through involvement with Junior Achievement, chambers of commerce, and serving on the board of my home owners association. I believe our neighborhood councils are the key to building a livable city and I will work to strengthen their role in the city.
By incorporating my experience into the Kent City Council you will be helping to make Kent the livable city we all want and deserve.
Thank you.

The above statements are submitted by the candidates, who are solely responsible for the contents therein.
City of Maple Valley  
Council Position No. 2 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

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

As your councilor, I will bring a wealth of experience and extensive knowledge of Maple Valley. My long record of community service demonstrates my dedication to my home town. I am independent, honest, unbiased, and ethical, and I am willing to represent the community rather than special interests. I embrace change but I have not lost track of the community’s values. I have the vision to see the “big picture” without losing sight of the details. I strive to be well informed, I make meaningful contributions to deliberations, and I work collaboratively. I am willing to forge compromise when needed to get things done. I am a strong proponent of expanded economic development and family-friendly amenities. I am a leader, not a follower, I am committed to our community, and I will do the “heavy lifting” needed to make Maple Valley THE place to live from cradle to grave.

Bill Allison
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**Occupation:** Manager, Covington Jamba Juice  
**Education:** North Central University, Minneapolis, MN

For too long now, Maple Valley’s city council has had its heels dug into agendas that have not allowed our community to use its growth for our mutual benefit. It’s time for a change; a new leader who will guide the council to be proactive, forward-thinking, and decisive.

I believe it is time to have a vision that allows Maple Valley to catch up to its current growth and beyond. It is time to have a vision that creates the best opportunity for our youth by developing programs and parks that meet their needs. It is time for us to have a vision that allows Maple Valley to move forward in this new century without losing the natural charm of what brought us all here in the first place.

I’m asking for your vote to bring leadership and accountability to the City Council. Learn more at www.Bill2009.com.

Glenn T. Smith
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**Occupation:** Accountant: Accounting Business Owner: Glenn Smith Accounting, Inc.  
**Education:** Bachelors of Science in Accounting

WE MUST PREVENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST! - - - - WE ALSO DON’T WANT TO BE ANOTHER COVINGTON.

Maple Valley has a unique history and future. Maple Valley has changed from the small city of the past to face a need for regional representation. In four years on City Council I have served as Deputy Mayor, served on the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Committee, served as Vice Chair of the SCA King Conservation District committee and served on the Communities that Care committee.

As a member of a family having lived and publicly served in Maple Valley for many decades, I love what Maple Valley can be. As the only accounting business owner serving on the Council, I realize in this economy we must maintain fiscal conservatism and accountability. We need Maple Valley solutions for Maple Valley problems. Visit my website at http://www.ReelectGlennTSmith.com and I would appreciate your vote.
The above statements are submitted by the candidates, who are solely responsible for the contents therein.

Leonard Sanderson

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**Occupation:** Retired Bank Vice President, managing large computer center operations

**Education:** Fife High School, American Institute of Banking, Certificate of Data Processing, and many short courses.

**Professional Qualifications:** My banking career as manager of computer operations included staff of up to 200 people, with budgets up to $20 million.

**Personal Information:** Milton homeowner since 1952.

**Community Involvement:** Seven years on the Fife School Board, including President, 10 years Milton Planning Commission, 12 ½ years Milton Councilmember, and 9 ½ years 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 and Pierce County Parks & Recreation Citizens Advisory Board.

**Personal Views:** Future Milton Development should respect the residents and not force people from their homes by rezoning. Public services should be maintained at a high level. Taxes and fees to Citizens should be kept as low as practical to support services.

Katrina Asay

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**Occupation:** Realtor

**Education:** Business College, Tax Preparation, Real Estate Practices, Municipal Leadership, Washington State Public Management Training

As Mayor for the past six years, I have worked with the council, staff and citizens to accomplish many projects including the Interurban Trail, Veteran's Memorial and City Festivals that promote community. We have also secured financing for major street and sidewalk projects that will enhance our community. Through watchful, conservative financial practices, our City is positioned to weather the financial downturn without diminishing services to our citizens. Even though I have worked diligently to promote the City in our Puget Sound Region by serving on numerous committees and successfully lobbying at the State Legislature to pass legislation that benefits Milton, building and protecting our community values and quality of life is my passion and the focus of decisions made daily. I look forward to promoting and protecting our rich quality of life in the next four years. I ask for your vote.

Mark Beaudry

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**Occupation:** Retired

**Education:** Evergreen H.S. Highline C.C. 250+ hours leadership training- Boeing Co

The past 10 years I have served the City of Milton, the past 7 on your city council. I have been your mayor pro tem and served on many committees. I have listened and learned and have seen both the good and bad in local politics. I believe that we need open and honest government. We need strong leadership with a fresh set of eyes to bring the city together and to move the city forward. I feel a change is needed. Thank you for your support.
City of Newcastle
Council Position No. 5 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

Rich Crispo
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Occupation: Retired Boeing Executive
Education: Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering from Villanova University and Masters in Business Administration from City University

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

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

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

Larry Betsch
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Occupation: Retired Financial Controller/Planning Commissioner/Renton School District student mentor
Education: University of Washington-Business Administration, University of Michigan Leadership Program, Project Management Professional

The people who lead our city need to work together making crucial decisions impacting us all. I believe good government should listen and respond to the needs of our families, neighborhoods, and our current and future business partners with effective communication and strong leadership.

Now is the time to strengthen the financial condition of Newcastle. We must start budgeting by prioritizing spending in order to more efficiently allocate and measure the utilization of our limited tax resources. As a financial controller, I will bring the needed experience to the council and the leadership to work towards strengthening Newcastle’s financial future.

As we move forward from our current economic environment we must ensure that our development process is streamlined, nimble, and provides incentives for potential development that increases the tax base and protects our unique Newcastle community. I respectfully request your vote and will work each day to validate your trust.

Karin Blakley
6947 Coal Creek Parkway SE, #229
Newcastle, WA 98059

Occupation: Financial Advisor, District Manager and Certified Retirement Planning Counselor
Education: BA from the University of Washington, Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa Honorary

As a long-time Newcastle resident, community leader, UW graduate and mom, I have both a commitment to our area and the skills to serve you well. My 25 years of business experience, most recently in management and finance, provides the fiscal know-how I will need to develop a responsible city budget in these tough times. Leadership roles on the boards of numerous nonprofits in areas such as transportation, education and disabilities, provides me with a broad perspective that will help with other city issues as well. During my professional life, I have learned that to achieve success you must establish a vision and work collaboratively to achieve that vision. I will use that same formula for success to enhance the livability of our city, encourage a vibrant downtown retail center, and maintain fiscal responsibility. I look forward to serving the residents of Newcastle.
City of Tukwila  
Council Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

David Weaver  
Tukwila, WA 98188  
206-734-3526  

Education: Western Washington University, Bachelor of Arts in Business

I have held a public office now for five years. In public service, I find myself highly motivated because I know so many people depend on me. I have always made good financial decisions and good financial decisions have no limits. I am highly creative and this comes in handy when making creative and effective solutions. Despite difficult economic times, some may resort to crime, therefore economic growth in Tukwila and preventing cuts in public safety is critical. The city of Tukwila competes with neighboring cities for business and the moment we neglect our number one position is the moment we lose it. I will not let that happen. Urban sprawl is always a problem but with a view for the future in city planning, we can get your job within walking or biking distance.

Allan Ekberg  
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Occupation: Internet Technology Project Manager
Education: Masters Degree in Business Administration; Bachelor of Science Business Administration; Criminal Justice Associate Degree

Ekberg’s Core Goals: • Ensuring stable city budgets • Fighting crime; I have been a recent victim • Increasing residential quality of life • Expanding adequate fire and aid to all citizens • Responsible animal control

Who Ekberg is: • A Tukwila native who has raised his family here • Foster HS graduate; Tukwila Police Dept. scholarship • Annexation area leader • Family participation in many Tukwila Day’s parades • Elected to City Council 1989 & 1993 • Highway 99 Action Committee advisory commission 1998 • Current Planning Commissioner, appointed in 2002 • Effective leader and consensus builder • Just loves his community and is willing to work hard to make it better

Why Vote Ekberg: • 20 years of community service working to improve Tukwila • Experienced working with people to solve issues

Share your concerns with Ekberg: Call him; email him (a.ekberg@comcast.net). He will represent your concerns!

Jeremy J. Eide  
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Occupation: Real Estate Consultant

I was born and raised in Tukwila. I have a daughter in Tukwila elementary, and a son soon to start Kindergarten there. I have volunteered in the Military to serve our nation, and now I would like a chance to volunteer to our wonderful city to help make it the best place it can be! Since I have children of my own, I am excited to be part of Tukwila’s plan for the next 20 years. I’m not a politician, but I have a vested interest in this community and will strive to make it a better place for my family and yours! By listening to the citizens of Tukwila and looking at each issue on an individual basis we can make a positive difference for us all.

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Kent School District No. 415
Director District No. 5 (nonpartisan office – 4-year term)

Tim Clark
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Kent, WA 98030
253-854-1895

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

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

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

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

Dale Smith
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betterschools4kent@gmail.com

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

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

Dave Watson
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Occupation: Educator
Education: M.Div.Calvin Seminary; M.A. Westminster Seminary; M.A. Calvin College; B.A. Wheaton College

My wife, Jamie, and I have both been educators in the Kent School District. I have been an educator for 27 years with a wealth of teaching knowledge and experience from teaching in schools across several states and at Chinese Universities. Our 4 children all attend Kent schools.

If elected I will work to help make the school Board more sensitive and responsive to the needs and wishes of the community it represents. I will work to help the Board exercise more independent oversight over the administration. We live in an increasingly diverse community and I believe the Board needs to be more culturally-sensitive in its dealings with its students, staff, and constituency. I will also be looking for ways to help the school district be more efficient and make the best use of the limited funding available to operate our schools. I would be honored by your vote and promise to always be open to input and to diligently work on your behalf to make the Kent School District the very best it can be.
North Highline Fire District
Commissioner Position No. 3 (nonpartisan office – 6-year term)

Peggy Noble
No statement submitted.

David Lawson
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Occupation: Chief Financial Officer
Education: BA, Business Administration, University of Puget Sound

My objectives are to ensure financial accountability and eliminate administrative and management costs that don’t contribute to effective accomplishment of the primary mission. I plan to reorganize the district to focus resources in a way that will strengthen professional staffing on first-line responding units. I plan to make District activities more visible to the public.

The costs of providing effective fire and life safety services are rising faster than are the property tax revenues that support them. General economic conditions that have led to reduced valuations of properties will surely bring a reduction in revenues: a double digit decline in revenue is real within the next year.

I have extensive financial management experience as a North Highline fire commissioner and as chief financial officer in two major fire service organizations. Effective change is needed and I have the ability to bring it to District operations. I appreciate your support.

Ray Austin
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www.austin4firecom.org

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

- Austin will work to maintain and improve our great fire department. He understands there are no cutting corners when it comes to your family’s safety. - Austin is endorsed by the North Highline Firefighters IAFF local #1810. - Austin will push for a Medic One Unit in White Center, for faster heart attack and Advanced Life Support response.

Ray Austin and his wife Susie are expecting their first child. They are homeowners and long-term residents of the North Highline community. Using his proven leadership skills, Ray Austin will work hard for our community as fire commissioner.

Vote Austin-He knows fire protection-HE DELIVERS IT!

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Jerry P. Harris
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Experience and dedication!!! Those two words sum up what I am all about in this election for Fire Commissioner. I have nearly 50 years of experience in the fire service, and I am dedicated to the citizens in the Des Moines and Federal Way communities. I have been, and always will be, there for you!

As an incumbent Fire Commissioner, I am proud of the fact that we have one of the most efficient fire districts in the state. We have achieved a Class 2 insurance rating which only two other fire departments, the cities of Seattle and Bellevue, have achieved. We have a great department with great employees, all dedicated to serving you.

For nearly 50 years I have been there for you. In this upcoming election, I ask that you be there for me.

J. Roger Hershey
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Occupation: I am a retired Boeing engineer.

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

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

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

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

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

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**  
**PROPOSED ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF BURIEN**

The Burien City Council passed Resolution No. 288 which would authorize annexation of that area of unincorporated King County known as the North Highline South Annexation Area which annexation was approved by the Boundary Review Board with a modification to the boundaries as legally described in Resolution No. 292. Shall that area of unincorporated King County known as the North Highline South Annexation Area as legally described in City of Burien Resolution No. 292 be annexed to the City of Burien?

- FOR ANNEXATION
- AGAINST ANNEXATION

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**Statement for**

We finally have a chance to decide our future—vote **YES** on Burien annexation. Annexation will reunite part of North Highline with our friends and neighbors in Burien. Burien will give us:

- Small government that is **accessible, transparent and responsive**. We would have a larger voice and more opportunities to be involved in public affairs in Burien than if we remained in King County.
- **Local management of high quality, efficient and effective public services.** Water, sewer, fire and schools would be unaffected by annexation. Police and road maintenance services are purchased by Burien from King County, and are tailored to Burien’s needs. Other services are provided directly by Burien (parks and recreation, planning, zoning and permitting, code enforcement, city clerk, etc.).
- Burien’s **thoughtful land use and zoning plans** have directed planned growth away from established neighborhoods and into areas that can handle this growth.
- Lower **property taxes and local spending of our tax dollars**. Burien has low debt and unlike some cities, has no voted levies.

Do you want to be part of a responsive, innovative, well-managed city? **VOTE YES FOR ANNEXATION.** For more information, visit www.burienwa.gov/annexation.

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**Statement against**

Annexation should; **increase home values, improve police and fire, and increase voter participation.** Burien fails on all counts.

- **Our Seattle address adds $43,000 to the value of our home:** A North Burien address had the 2nd lowest value in urban King County last year. Average home value in North Burien ($297,000). Average home value in Westwood/White Center ($338,000). See www.seattletimes.com on 5/31/09.
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Join thousands of families who moved here because we have a Seattle address, are unincorporated, and have fewer restrictions. **Vote No.**

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**Rebuttal of statement against**

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**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Barbara Peters

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**Explanatory Statement**

This proposition seeks voter approval of the annexation into the City of Burien of an area commonly known as the North Highline South Annexation Area. This area consists of approximately 1,700 acres and 14,100 persons and is generally described as that area lying generally in the area north of the corporate boundaries of the cities of Burien and SeaTac and east of Seola Beach Drive generally lying south of the following line: east from Seola Beach Drive along the south side of SW 112th Street, south along the west side of 15th Avenue SW, east along the north side of SW 114th Street, south along the west side of 10th Avenue SW, east along the north side of SW 116th Street, north along the east side of SR-509, east along the north side of SW 112th Street, north along 16th Avenue S. (if extended), east along the south side of S. 107th Street, south along the west side of 20th Avenue S., east along the south side of S. 108th Street to the city of Tukwila corporate boundaries; and is legally described in City of Burien Resolution No. 292.

The proposition for annexation shall be deemed approved if a majority of the votes cast on that proposition are cast in favor of annexation. If this annexation proposition is approved, the City Council will subsequently determine whether to annex the property within the annexation area and the effective date of the annexation. If the City Council approves annexation, upon the effective date of annexation, all property within the annexation area will be provided city services and assessed and taxed at the same rate and on the same basis as other property within the City of Burien.

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**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Barbara Peters

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The “pro” statement is vague. Do some homework. Property values and fire service will go down with a Burien address. Taxes are needed for Town Square. Where is Burien’s plan for North Highline investment or for more police officers? No details? No plan? **Vote No.**

Seattle tiene mejores servicios de salud para familias, leyes protectivas para inquilinos y mas programas de empleo. Registrate y vote No a Burien el 18 de agosto!

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Mark Ufkes

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   Tuesday, August 18:  7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

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

**Seattle, Union Station**  401 S. Jackson St, Seattle, 98104
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Your role

› Take your time, vote and sign.

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

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