## November 2, 2021 General and Special Election

# King County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet



i Your ballot will arrive by October 18





#### Dear Friends,

Democracy is not a spectator sport. It takes all of us on the field to build the community, region, and country we want to live in. It takes each of us using the tools that we have available to make a difference. Voting is just one tool we can use to influence the future of our community, and it's an important one.

While voting is not a cure-all to every challenge we face, it does have a profound impact on the decisions that get made in local government - every single day. Decisions about our schools and parks, roads and transit, libraries and childcare. Decisions about how our tax dollars are spent and prioritized. These local elections have an incredible impact on our day-to-day lives.

We are not all always going to agree on everything. That's okay. What matters is that we speak up and turn out. What matters is that you take a few minutes to fill out your ballot, sign it, and return it by mail or by drop box – no stamp needed.

Make your selections. Make yourself heard. Make a difference.

Happy voting,

Julie Wise

# Voting tips

## Fill out your ballot

You can use any color of pen to complete your ballot. You do not have to vote in every race to have your votes counted. Make selections in the contests you'd like and you can skip those that you're unsure about.

## Sign your envelope

Don't forget to sign the back of your return envelope so your ballot can be counted!

## Return your ballot early

Whether returning your ballot by mail or by drop box, don't wait until Election Day! Get your ballot back early.

If returning by drop box, there are more than 70 locations available across the county. You'll find the full list on pages 8-9 of this pamphlet. Drop boxes close promptly at 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 2.

If returning by mail, your ballot must be postmarked by Election Day, November 2. No stamp is needed.

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You will not be voting on every item in this voters' pamphlet. Let your ballot be your guide on which races and measures to read and review.

Your ballot will arrive by October 18.

## **Contact information**

phone: 206-296-VOTE (8683)

1-800-325-6165

TTY Relay: 711

email: elections@kingcounty.gov online: kingcounty.gov/elections

## Vote centers

Vote centers are available for voters that need assistance. Each center has voting machines that offer audio or large print ballots, and other assistive devices. Elections staff are available to assist as needed. Voters can also register to vote and get their ballots through Election Day.

Free parking for voters is available at all locations, except Lumen Field Event Center.

Locations		Hours of operation		
Renton	<b>King County Elections</b> 919 SW Grady Way, 98057	Weekdays, October 13 - October 22, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.		
		Weekdays, October 25 - November 1, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.		
		Saturday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.		
		Election Day, November 2, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.		
Bellevue	Bellevue College Cafeteria 3000 Landerholm Circle SE, 98007	Saturday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.		
Federal Way	Federal Way Performing Arts & Event Center 31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S, 98003	Monday, November 1, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.		
		Election Day, November 2, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.		
Kenmore	<b>Kenmore City Hall</b> 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028			
Kent	Kent Centennial Center 400 W Gowe St, 98032			
Seattle	Lumen Field Event Center 800 Occidental Ave S, 98134			
	Walk-in entrance on the corner of Occidental Ave S and S Royal Brougham Way	Public Health Notice  As part of the continued effort to stop the spread of CoVID-19		

As part of the continued effort to stop the spread of CoVID-19 in our community, King County Elections recommends registering to vote, updating your registration, and accessing your ballot online whenever needed.

We will have Vote Centers open for those who need in person assistance. Face masks that cover both nose and mouth are required, regardless of vaccination status.



# Did you know that you can access your ballot online?

Lost and damaged ballots happen. There's an easy way to access and print your ballot right from home!

Visit kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp and enter the required information to access your ballot.

- 1. Make your selections on the computer or print out a blank ballot and fill it in by hand. If you choose to make your selections online, please double check those selections before and after printing your ballot.
- 2. When printing, make sure to select the 'fit to page' option to ensure the entire length of the ballot prints.
- 3. Return via mail or secure drop box, just like you normally would. No postage is required if using the included envelope cover sheet.

Any registered voter can use the online ballot marking program to access and print their ballot.

Voters with disabilities can mark their choices on the ballot online. The online ballot marking program has been designed specifically to enable voters who are blind or have low vision to cast a private ballot.



## Other voting options

If one of the above options doesn't work for you, please contact our office for further assistance.

## **Student Engagement Hubs**

Never miss an election just because you're away from home! All public universities in Washington now offer student engagement hubs.

For more detailed information on location and hours, please visit kingcounty.gov/elections.

## **University of Washington Bothell Campus**

Any student registered to vote can use the online ballot marking program to access and print their ballot. Students can also drop their ballot off during hours of operation.

## **University of Washington Seattle Campus**

Located in the Husky Union Building (HUB), the UW Seattle Student Engagement Hub will provide students an opportunity to get registered for the first time, update their registration, receive a replacement ballot, or use an assistive device. Elections staff will be on hand to answer questions and assist students as needed.

## Who can register

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States:
- · A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day;
- · Not disqualified from voting due to a court order; and
- Not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington State felony conviction.

## How to register to vote

#### Online

You can register to vote online at VoteWA.gov – all you need is two minutes and a Washington State Driver's License or ID. You can register online by October 25 for the General election.

#### By mail

Download and print a registration form from kingcounty.gov/elections and mail it to our office (address on page 4). It must be received by October 25 for the General election.

#### In person

You can register in person through November 2, Election Day, at one of our Vote Centers. More information about Vote Center hours and locations can be found on page 4 and on our website at kingcounty.gov/elections.

## Pre-register to vote

#### 16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote!

16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote online or by mail at any time. Their registration will be assigned a 'pending' status until they turn 18. If the registrant turns 18 before the next scheduled Election Day, they will automatically be mailed a ballot at their registered address.



## **Keep your voter registration current**

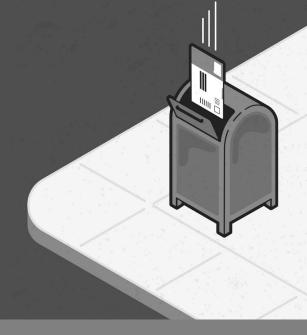
Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name. Simply update your information online at VoteWA.gov or submit a new paper registration form by October 25 for the General election or visit us in person at one of our Vote Centers. If your signature has changed, please submit a new paper registration by October 25 or come see us in person – updates to signatures may not be done online.

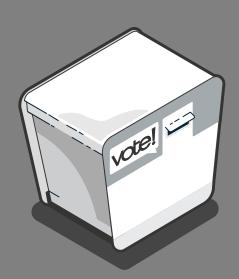
## Return your ballot by mail.

## No Stamp Needed!

We recommend dropping your ballot in the mail by the Friday before Election Day to make sure it gets postmarked in time to be counted.

Mailed ballots must be postmarked by November 2.





# The drop box at Kentridge High School has moved!

To ensure 24-hour access, this drop box has permanently moved to Kent Panther Lake Library located at 20500 108th Ave SE, Kent, WA 98031.



Return your ballot at a drop box.

## **Over 70 locations!**

Ballot drop boxes are open until 8 p.m. sharp on November 2.

List of drop box locations on next page



Ballot drop boxes are open 24 hours a day beginning October 14 and close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day, November 2.

#### **Auburn**

Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S, 98002 Auburn Park & Ride, 101 15th St NE, 98001 Muckleshoot Tribe, Philip Starr Building, 39015 172nd Ave SE, 98092

#### **Bellevue**

Bellevue Library, 1111 110th Ave NE, 98004

Crossroads Shopping Center (south entrance), 15600 NE 8th St. 98008

Newport Way Library, 14250 SE Newport Way, 98006

#### **Black Diamond**

new Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr, 98010

#### **Bothell**

Bothell City Hall, 18415 101st Ave NE, 98011

#### **Burien**

Boulevard Park Library, 12015 Roseberg Ave S, 98168 Burien Town Square Park (corner of 5th Ave SW and SW 152nd St), 480 SW 152nd St, 98166

#### Carnation

ew Carnation Library, 4804 Tolt Ave, 98014

#### Covington

Covington Library, 27100 164th Ave SE, 98042

#### Des Moines

 Highline College (entrance across from 27th Ave S), 2400 S 240th St, 98198

#### Duvall

\* Duvall Police Department-Depot Park, 26225 NE Burhen Way, 98019

#### **Enumclaw**

Enumclaw Library, 1700 1st St, 98022

#### Fall City

Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024

#### **Federal Way**

Federal Way 320th Library, 848 S 320th St, 98003 Federal Way City Hall, 33325 8th Ave S, 98003

#### Issaquah

Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, 98027

#### Kenmore

Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028

#### Kent

New Kent Panther Lake Library, 20500 108th Ave SE, 98031

The drop box at Kentridge High School has been moved to Kent Panther Lake Library to ensure 24-hour access to the box.

Kent YMCA, 10828 SE 248th St, 98030

Regional Justice Center (near parking garage entrance), 401 4th Ave N, 98032

#### Kirkland

Kingsgate Library, 12315 NE 143rd St, 98034 Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Ave, 98033

#### **Lake Forest Park**

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

#### Maple Valley

Hobart Food Market, 20250 276th Ave SE, 98038

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

#### Mercer Island

Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St, 98040

#### Newcastle

Newcastle City Hall, 12835 Newcastle Way, 98056

#### Normandy Park

Normandy Park Towne Center, 19901 1st Ave S, 98148

#### North Bend

North Bend Library, 115 E 4th St, 98045

#### **Pacific**

Algona-Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd, 98047

#### Redmond

- \* Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th St, 98052
- \* Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village, 6505 176th Ave NE, 98052

#### Renton

Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave SE, 98058

- \* King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, 98057
  - \* Powell Avenue, 725 Powell Ave SW, 98057 Across the street from King County Elections
- \* Renton Public Health Center, 3201 NE 7th St, 98056

#### Sammamish

Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Ave SE, 98075

#### SeaTac

Angle Lake Transit Station, 19955 28th Ave S, 98188 Valley View Library, 17850 Military Rd S, 98188

#### Shoreline

Shoreline Library, 345 NE 175th St, 98155 Shoreline Park & Ride, 18821 Aurora Ave N, 98133

#### Snoqualmie

Snoqualmie Library, 7824 Center Blvd SE, 98065

#### Tukwila

\* Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave S, 98168

#### Vashon

Vashon Library, 17210 Vashon Hwy SW, 98070

#### Woodinville

Woodinville Library, 17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072

## Seattle drop boxes

#### **Ballard**

Ballard Branch Library, Corner of NW 57th St and 22nd Ave NW, 98107

#### **Beacon Hill**

Beacon Hill Library, 2821 Beacon Ave S, 98144 NewHolly Neighborhood Campus, 7054 32nd Ave S, 98118

#### Broadview/Greenwood

Broadview Library, 12755 Greenwood Ave N, 98133

#### Bryn Mawr-Skyway

Skyway Library, 12601 76th Ave S, 98178

#### **Capitol Hill**

Seattle Central College, Broadway-Edison Building (northeast corner), 1701 Broadway, 98122

#### Central District

Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St, 98122

#### Chinatown/International District

Uwajimaya, 713 6th Ave S, 98104

#### Columbia City

Rainier Community Center, 4600 38th Ave S, 98118

#### Downtown

King County Administration Building, 500 4th Ave, 98104

#### Fremont/Wallingford

Waterway 19 Park (next to Gas Works Park), 2119 N Northlake Way, 98103

#### Green Lake/Phinney

Green Lake Community Center, 7201 E Green Lake Dr N, 98115

#### Lake City

Lake City Library, 12501 28th Ave NE, 98125

#### Magnolia

\* Magnolia Park, 1461 Magnolia Blvd W, 98199

#### **Northgate**

North Seattle College (south visitor lot access from N 95th St), 9600 College Way N, 98103

#### **Queen Anne**

\* Seattle Pacific University Bookstore, 310 W Bertona St, 98119

#### **Rainier Valley**

Rainier Beach Community Center, 8825 Rainier Ave S, 98118

#### Sand Point/Laurelhurst

\* Magnuson Park - The Brig, 6344 NE 74th St, 98115

#### South Lake Union

South Lake Union, 310 Terry Ave N, 98109

#### **South Park**

South Park Library, 8604 8th Ave S, 98108

#### **University District**

University of Washington Campus, Schmitz Hall (by north entrance on NE 41st St), 1410 NE Campus Pkwy, 98195

#### West Seattle/Delridge

Alaska Junction, Corner of SW Alaska St and 44th Ave SW, 98116

High Point Library, 3411 SW Raymond St, 98126

South Seattle College (at the entrance of the Robert Smith Building), 6000 16th Ave SW, 98106

#### White Center

White Center Library, 1409 SW 107th St, 98146

# Close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day, November 2.

<sup>\*</sup> Drive-up ballot drop boxes

At King County Elections, our top priority is ensuring that our elections are secure, accessible, and accurate. We know that secure elections are essential to maintain public trust, protect our democracy, and enable our voters to cast a private, confidential choice with their vote.

## **Physical Security**

The King County Elections Headquarters was designed and renovated specifically for processing vote-by-mail ballots and keeping those ballots secure. Director Julie Wise was the first election administrator in the country to request an audit of physical security by the Department of Homeland Security in 2017.

#### What we're doing:

- Our facility is monitored by over 50 security cameras
- Six live webcams through which the public can watch us at work during the ballot processing period
- Staff and observers must badge into and out of the ballot processing area
- Ballot storage and tabulation areas require both a badge and biometric access

## Cybersecurity

In our rapidly changing world, cybersecurity is paramount to protecting our elections. Previous years have seen attempts to tamper with election systems across the country. None of these attempts have been successful here in King County and every day, our team works to make the walls higher and barriers stronger for those looking to influence our elections.

Following the 2016 election, Director Julie Wise requested a review of the department's cybersecurity from the Washington State Auditor's Cybersecurity Team to identify and implement practices and procedures to bolster security of our systems and electronic access points.

## What we're doing:

- Employ cybersecurity staff based in Elections and at King County
- · All staff receive annual cybersecurity training
- Voter registration and tabulation systems are kept separate for maximum security
- Tabulation system is on an entirely closed network, not connected to the internet
- Correspondence and attachments are monitored and scanned 24/7/365 for threats and attempts to breach our systems



# How does my ballot get processed?



Envelopes are scanned, pictures of the signature captured, and marked as 'received.'



Signatures are checked against voter registration records by trained specialists. If the signature is missing or doesn't match, voters are mailed a letter to fix the issue. This form must be returned with a matching signature for the ballot to move forward in the process.



If the signature matches, envelopes are opened and security sleeves are removed.



Staff remove ballot from security sleeve and reviewed for potential scanning issues.



Ballots are scanned, prepared for tabulation and securely stored for the retention period.



Ballots continue to be processed and tabulated, and signature issues continue to be corrected, until certification.



# Your signature matters.

Each election, about 1% of ballots are returned either without a signature or with a signature that doesn't quite match. Don't let that be you.

Here are a few tips to help make sure your signature passes the check and your ballot gets counted:

- If you register online, we pull your signature from the Dept. of Licensing, so check the signature on your driver's license or state ID and try to match that as closely as you can.
- Your signature does not need to be written in cursive or nicely or even legibly, it just needs to match the one that we already have on file. If you have a chicken scratch signature, that's okay! Just make sure you scratch it out the same way each time you vote.
- If you have no idea what signature you might have used or it's been a while and your signature has changed, you can always update your signature simply by returning a paper voter registration form. You can download a paper registration form at bit.ly/ WAVoteRF. Returning a paper registration form will add your updated signature to your file.
- Track your ballot to ensure that it gets counted. If there's an issue with your signature, you'll see it there on the online ballot tracker. You'll find the ballot tracker on our My Voter Information tool at kingcounty.gov/elections.

If there is an issue with your signature not matching or if you just plain forgot to sign, we will send you a letter and, if we have it, we'll reach out by email and phone as well. To make sure your ballot is counted, you'll need to fill out and return a simple form before 4:30 p.m. on November 22.



If you have questions about signature challenges or how to fix yours, please call us at 206-205-5686.

Title	Duties	Term (years)	Salary (2021)
King County Executive (elected by voters in King County)	Responsible for the implementation of council and commission policies and the day-to-day administration of county government and services.	4	\$248,148
Metropolitan King County Council (elected by voters in County Council District)	Sets policies, enacts laws, adopts the county budgets, and provides oversight to county services.	4	\$163,394
Port of Seattle Commissioner (elected by voters in King County)	Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port and establishes Port policies that impact the maritime port and SeaTac airport.	4	\$56,881
City Mayor (elected by voters in the city)	Works with the city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.	4	Varies by city
City Council (elected by voters in the city)	Approves the city's budget, develops laws and policies, and oversees public services.	4	Varies by city
Municipal Court (elected by voters in the city)	Hears and decides misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor crimes, including domestic vio-lence, DUI, traffic infractions, parking tickets, and littering.	4	\$180,614
School District Director/Position (elected by voters in the school district)	Sets policies for schools, provides oversight for the operations of the school system, and represents the interests of the community on public education issues.	4	No annual salary
Fire District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees fire services including fire response and protection, emergency medical aid, and more.	6	No annual salary
Water District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the water district to provide clean, safe drinking water.	6	No annual salary
Sewer/Wastewater Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the sewer district to maintain facilities, meet water needs, and meet environmental requirements.	6	No annual salary
Public Hospital Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.	6	No annual salary
Utility District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the utility district to maintain properties, conserve energy, and monitor use of many types of energy.	6	No annual salary
Park District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Develops goals, sets policies, and oversees regulation of district parks.	Varies	No annual salary
Community Municipal Corporation Council (elected by voters in the district)	Makes recommendations to the governing city and approves changes to zoning and land use regulations within district boundaries.	4	No annual salary



## Who donates to campaigns? View contributors for candidates and

measures

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## **Executive**

## **Dow Constantine**

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**Education:** University of Washington: BA, MA Urban Planning, Law; West Seattle High School

**Occupation:** King County Executive; former Councilmember, Senator, Representative; Attorney; Planner

Statement: When COVID-19 arrived here, I took decisive action and led with science, saving thousands of lives. The New York Times reported that had America followed our lead "the nation could have avoided more than 300,000 coronavirus deaths." Today, King County has the highest vaccination rate among large counties nationwide. As we continue battling this stubborn pandemic, I'm bringing that same clarity and resolve to the toughest challenges—homelessness, public safety, climate action, and uniting our region for an economic recovery where everyone can thrive.

We are taking bold action on homelessness, purchasing hundreds of hotel rooms and moving hundreds of chronically homeless people off the streets *this year*, with the services to restore lives. Through Best Starts for Kids, we've kept 10,000 children and families safely housed. This crisis, worsened by the pandemic, requires proven ability to drive actual change.

We're improving public safety—and public trust: Gun violence prevention, aid to victims of domestic violence, and community collaboration improving safety and appointing a new sheriff. We're helping kids stay in school, graduate, and avoid the criminal legal system—driving down youth detention nearly 10-fold.

*Urgent action on climate*—I've led regional light rail expansion, made Metro the *Best Large Transit Agency in North America* (2018), and launched conversion to all-electric buses. We've protected miles of forests, farmlands, and shorelines; and planted over one million trees.

Progressive, visionary leadership—that's why I'm endorsed by Governors Inslee, Gregoire, and Locke; 40 Democratic legislators; Planned Parenthood; Washington Conservation Voters; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; MLK Labor; SEIU; UFCW; Nurses, Firefighters, and Building Trades unions; the Seattle Times; and diverse community leadership. My parents—retired public school teachers—taught me values of service and community. Shirley and I are raising our daughter in the same West Seattle neighborhood where I grew up.

## Joe Nguyen

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Finance/Humanities, Seattle University; Kennedy High School in Burien

**Occupation:** State Senator, 34th Legislative District & Senior Program Manager, Microsoft

Statement: After 12 years of current leadership failing to solve our biggest problems like homelessness, it's time for change. As we recover from this pandemic, we need an Executive who understands how hard working families in King County have struggled to make ends meet -- even before this crisis. I'm the son of refugees from White Center, and worked as a janitor at my own high school. Despite great adversity, I built a successful career in the private sector and now I represent my community in the State Senate.

We can build a brighter future for every family in King County. We can build a community where everyone has a safe place to call home, every senior can age in place with dignity, and every parent can provide for their kids. We can achieve all of this, if we have an Executive who will act with the urgency needed to actually solve problems.

For years, the communities I grew up in haven't gotten the same investments to support working people that made my success possible. As a result, residents of South King County got sick and died from COVID-19 at twice the rate of those in other parts of the county. Those deaths were preventable, if County leadership had prioritized *every* community's safety.

The pandemic wasn't the first crisis where our current leadership neglected working families who have been pushed out of their neighborhoods. The status quo has given us 12 years of unaffordable housing, longer commutes, inaction on climate change, and worsening gun violence in our communities. We need bold solutions implemented with transparency and accountability, and I have the private and public sector experience to get things done.

Endorsements: State Treasurer Mike Pellicciotti and other elected leaders, ATU 587, IUPAT DC 5, UAW 4121 and local Democratic Party organizations.

## Sally Caverzan

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**Education:** WWU BA in Psychology, Jesuit college preparatory, parochial elementary, Masters coursework in Social Work

**Occupation:** Mother, LTC Social Worker, Behavioral Health Intake, USPS, Rideshare, Hypnotherapist

**Statement:** I was born into the silent sheltered shame of domestic violence. My lived-experience as both the survivor and aftermath of multisystemic failures to protect the vulnerable is a testimony on behalf of silent victims. My Life Purpose is to hold space for those who lack power or voice. We must remove the money from the power if we desire candidates whose waves will lift *all* boats, not just stakeholders'.

I support term limits and salary caps relative to area median incomes to keep our leaders' accountable/relatable. I envision institutional reformation with participatory budgeting. We cannot marginalize the role the system has played in our generational traumas. We must aim towards reparative models with respect and humility. The violent crime cannot be curbed with human sweeps or pepperspray. We must treat the root cause: our mental health and addiction crisis. We warrant a new approach; candidates with different competencies. I will push to expand the RADAR program and to create a King County Regional Treatment Facility so that drug-fueled crimes can have treatment-focused sentences. We need transitional, supportive and permanent affordable housing; reintegration instead of revolving doors.

I Believe that any person willing to contribute to the Public Good should not struggle to keep their lights on or pay rent. We need to grow our King County Conservation Corps towards more opportunity for stability, to rid our public streets, greenbelts and waterways of garbage, to weed-out invasives, plant native trees, protect pollinators, and to drastically expand local plastic recycling. In the face of a fragile global supply chain, we must invest in green industries like rain barrels to empower food sovereignty. We necessitate a county-wide tree ordinance.

We must let the sun set on the cycles of abuse and wanton refuse. The fate of tomorrow rests in the interventions of today.

## Rod Dembowski

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**Education:** Renton Schools; Georgetown University, Business Management & Government, cum laude (1994); UW Law School (2001).

**Occupation:** County Councilmember; Previous: Attorney in private practice; Financial Analyst

**Statement:** Rod Dembowski is a hands-on, results-driven councilmember, who has *never missed a vote*. When the pandemic hit, Rod went to work, securing quarantine sites, delivering food and masks to senior centers, bringing vaccination sites to North King County, and helping workers and businesses recover.

*An advocate for seniors.* Rod secured millions of dollars to support the Northshore, Shoreline and Lake City Senior Centers. He helped hundreds of seniors with property tax relief.

An environmental champion. Rod passed the strongest local climate action plan in the country. Rod has proposed a climate bond to equitably accelerate the county's response to climate change. He wrote the law to electrify the Metro Transit fleet. He's protected farmland and open space, helped save the Wayne Golf Course, acquired waterfront land in Lake Forest Park, expanded Big Finn Hill Park, funded the Green Loop Trail, and cleaned up Thornton Creek.

A leader on behavioral health. Rod led efforts to fund the new Behavioral Health Institute at Harborview. In partnership with local police departments, Rod secured funding to expand the RADAR/ Navigator program, pairing mental health professionals with police officers to help people in crisis. Rod worked to reform our homelessness response. He helped establish the new Regional Homelessness Authority, bringing cities and providers countywide together to fix a broken system and get our unsheltered neighbors housed and healthy.

The Municipal League recognized Rod as the *Public Official of the Year*. The Center for Human Services honored Rod for his *commitment to human services*. The Korean American Association honored Rod for his work *protecting and expanding voting rights. Rod's Endorsements include:* Mayors of Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Kirkland, Bothell, Woodinville. Washington Conservation Voters. Alliance for Gun Responsibility. King County Democrats. King County Labor Council. Affordable Housing Council. Attorney General Bob Ferguson. Congresswoman Suzan DelBene.

## **Kathy Lambert**

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**Education:** University of Washington, BA Business Education; Teacher Certification; College of Marin, AA; Public Policy Certification

**Occupation:** King County Councilmember, former State Representative, former elementary school teacher

**Statement:** Kathy has a proven record of serving the people and businesses of District 3, our county's largest district. She has the experience needed to continue providing these important local and regional services.

She is dedicated to both law enforcement and improving community relationships. This is vital as our Sheriff's office transitions to an appointed position. Our police officers must have the resources and training they need to *serve and protect our communities*.

To help with COVID recovery, Kathy supported the distribution of \$1.1 billion in federal grants to our small businesses and communities, as well as providing our neighbors with supplies to help fight the pandemic.

Kathy sponsored and helped establish the Department of Local Services, providing unincorporated areas of our district with similar resources as those living in cities. Her experience with law and justice issues has guided Kathy in developing programs that *reduce recidivism* and *help people get their lives back on track*. She has established multiple programs to help youth in crisis, such as FIRS, TRACE, and Safe Place. Her leadership with the Community Court Program began as a pilot in our district and *its success has led to adoption throughout the county.* 

Her financial expertise helps our county maintain its AAA credit rating, saving taxpayer money. Kathy serves on the Flood Control District that develops plans and builds projects to reduce flooding and deliver habitat restoration. She has also led the update of King County's emergency preparedness plans. Kathy has the experience and dedication we need representing all of us on the King County Council. Please vote for Kathy Lambert! Endorsed: The Seattle Times, Puget Sound Police Managers Association, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 587, Affordable Housing Council, Eastside Business Alliance, State Representative JT Wilcox, Former Attorney General Rob McKenna, Former Councilmember Larry Gossett, and many more.

## Sarah Perry

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**Education:** Attended Seattle University, Ohio State studied transformational leadership, political science

**Occupation:** Small business owner, nonprofit executive, consultant; Not a career politician.

**Statement:** After 20 years of the same representation, it's time for new leadership. Sarah Perry is the regional leader we need to address our toughest challenges with urgency, transparency, and accountability. She will collaborate for meaningful progress on homelessness, transit and the environment, will remove barriers for recovering small businesses, and help displaced workers in a changing economy.

Sarah brings a demonstrated record of effective, hands-on local leadership building transitional housing to serve Eastside families, investing in community nonprofits that improve and enrich our lives, and advocating for survivors of domestic violence. She will be a strong voice for safe communities through investments in mental health services, gun violence prevention, and reforms at the Sheriff's Office that protect the safety of every neighbor.

Endorsed by leading environmental organizations, including Sierra Club and Washington Conservation Voters, Sarah will protect open spaces, forests, rivers and watersheds, and safeguard our rural communities and local farms.

With our communities on the front lines of the worst fire season in the climate crisis, Sarah will demand action to protect our health and future. That's why she's endorsed by our Eastside & Redmond Firefighters.

A transit champion, Sarah will expand transit alternatives and connections, including shuttles to Redmond's new Light Rail and Metro bus service on the I-90 corridor. She will also address urgent upgrade and maintenance needs of our rural roads and bridges - a leadership failure endangering our safety. Earned Endorsements: Congresswomen Kim Schrier & Suzan DelBene; Governor Jay Inslee; Attorney General Bob Ferguson; Lands Commissioner Hilary Franz; County Executive Dow Constantine; County Councilmember Claudia Balducci; State Senators Dhingra & Kuderer; State Representatives Goodman, Thai & Callan; Joe Cohen; Nurses (SEIU 1199NW), Home Care Workers (SEIU 775); MLK Labor; Emily's List; Planned Parenthood; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; 5th, 41st & 45th District Democrats; & more!

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**Education:** Seattle University: Ed.D (Educational Leadership and Organizational Learning); MPA, B.A. Public Affairs

**Occupation:** Youth Development Lead, Best Starts for Kids, King County

**Statement:** Our diverse South King County communities deserve authentic representation on King County Council. As an immigrant, former refugee, and product of Kent public housing, *I am of this community*. I have lived the challenges that so many members of our community face, and felt the beauty of this community that supported me when I needed it most. For 14 years, I have served the same community that supported me - connecting families to life changing resources like public housing, affordable childcare, education, and healthcare.

Our neighbors have spoken. It's time for new leadership with lived experience.

Our mission is beyond politics. Together, we will create an environment where every corner of our district can thrive. Our community-created priorities reflect this:\*Building affordable housing as a human right, and increasing tenant protections to prevent housing instability and displacement that disproportionately burdens households of color and low-income families; \*Bending the legal system toward justice by investing in alternatives to incarceration through a public health response to social safety;\*Investing in public health and human services to provide mental health and trauma-informed care to our communities reeling from the COVID-19 crisis; \*Supporting small businesses overlooked by federal and local pandemic assistance to fully recover from the economic downturn.

If elected, it will not just be my voice on the King County Council. *It will be yours.* It will be the voices of all residents looking to be heard and valued by our democracy.

Endorsed by King County Democrats, Washington Housing Alliance Action Fund, SEIU 775, 925, & 1199NW, OneAmerica Votes, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, The Urbanist, Transit Riders Union; Elected leaders, including State Representatives Debra Entenman, David Hackney, Jamila Taylor and Kirsten Harris-Talley, Burien Deputy Mayor Krystal Marx, Tukwila City Councilmember Cynthia Delostrinos Johnson, Highline School Board Director Fa'izah Bradford, and many more.

## **Dave Upthegrove**

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**Education:** BA in Environmental Conservation, University of Colorado, Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy, University of Idaho

**Occupation:** Current King County Councilmember, former 33rd District State Representative

**Statement:** Endorsed by more than 100 leaders from communities of color in South King County, I work hard as your King County Councilmember to treat everyone in our community with respect.

The first COVID death in the nation was in King County, and our county public health department was the front line of defense. I am proud that by following the science and supporting our public health professionals, we have the lowest COVID rate of any major urban county in the continental United States.

As we emerge from this pandemic, our region faces serious challenges. We need to get homeless individuals off the street and into housing with services. We need to prioritize public safety and our first responders while improving accountability, transparency, and justice for all. We all deserve to feel safe in our community. We need to support local small businesses to help boost our economy and create jobs and economic opportunity for all.

The solutions to homelessness, public safety and our economy aren't going to come from Seattle. They will come from those of us here in South King County working together to solve problems. These are serious times, and I will use my experience and proven leadership to fight for our community and deliver results. Nobody will work harder for South King County. I would be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsed: King County Democrats, King County Labor Council, Sierra Club, Teachers (WEA), Nurses (SEIU 1199), Firefighters (IAFF), Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Congressman Adam Smith, King County Executive Dow Constantine, Senators Karen Keiser and Bob Hasegawa, Representatives David Hackney, Tina Orwall, Pat Sullivan, Sharon Tomiko-Santos, and Joe Fitzgibbon, Renton Mayor Armando Pavone, Renton City Council President Ruth Perez, Renton Councilmember Ed Prince, Kent Councilmembers Satwinder Kaur and Brenda Fincher, and many other trusted local leaders.

## Reagan Dunn

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

**Occupation:** County Councilmember; Former Federal Prosecutor; National Coordinator, Project Safe Neighborhoods

Statement: I am troubled by the dramatic increase in crime and homelessness in King County, and I believe we can do better. I am one of the few voices fighting to give law enforcement the tools they need to do their jobs, pushing to fund the criminal justice system and keep it accountable, and working with communities to remove dangerous homeless encampments while connecting those who live in them with holistic services.

I am also the only member of the County Council with real crime fighting experience, having spent years working for the Department of Justice. I was appointed by a U.S. President and served as a Federal Prosecutor with *Top Secret* clearance. I also worked in the Terrorism and Violent Crime Unit of the U.S. Attorney's office, and led the Justice Department's national initiative to fight gun violence. This background is important as the County Council now has oversight of the Sheriff's Office. King County needs a Councilmember who understands how to keep our neighborhoods safe

I am honored that *The Seattle Times*, all eight mayors in our district, and our police and firefighters have endorsed me, because they know this experience is needed. "Dunn's independence, effectiveness and experience will be even more valuable as the county redoubles its efforts to fight homelessness, and increase transparency and eliminate inequities in law enforcement and criminal justice...Dunn continues to be the best choice" (Seattle Times, July 16, 2021).

I promise to continue to work in a bipartisan manner to fight crime, reduce homelessness, protect the environment, recover from the pandemic, keep your taxes low, and continue to help those who suffer from drug and alcohol addiction.

I am honored to be your advocate on the King County Council, I work for you, and I appreciate your vote.

## Kim-Khanh Van

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**Education:** BAs, Sociology and Law, Societies, & Justice, University of Washington; ID, University of Dayton

**Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember, Small Business Owner, and Attorney

**Statement:** As a refugee from Vietnam, my family came here seeking a better future. Working multiple jobs, and the first in my family to graduate college, I value hard work, the importance of opportunity, and strength of community.

Our district deserves leadership committed to these same principles, a County Councilmember who addresses unique challenges facing our suburban, unincorporated, and rural communities. Unfortunately, after 16 years of the same, our district is missing representation in touch with local priorities and willing to embrace opportunities for regional progress.

I'm the only candidate for this position with a proven track record as an elected official and small business owner. I've expanded access to apprenticeships and career pathways on the Renton Technical College Foundation Board; advocated for seniors and Veterans through Sound Cities Senior, Aging and Disability Council. I volunteer as a military JAG and support Veterans through the VFW and Wounded Warrior Project. I've worked towards an inclusive region for all on the King County Coalition Against Hate and Bias. I'm also a mom and PTA President.

With your vote, I'll build on my record of leadership on the Renton City Council to coordinate regional action on homelessness and affordable housing, make overdue transit and transportation improvements, ensure fiscal responsibility, stand up for struggling local businesses, and step up safeguards protecting our climate and quality of life. As we rebuild trust in our Sheriff's Office, I will demand needed public safety improvements, support for victims, and hire officers who reflect our communities, as I have in Renton. Together, we can recover, grow, and move our region forward.

Endorsed: Washington Conservation Voters; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; SEIU 1199NW healthcare workers; Executive Constantine; Treasurer Pellicciotti; Senators Das, Wellman, and Kauffman (fmr.); Representatives Bergquist, Thai, Entenman, Santos, and Maxwell (fmr.); Councilmembers; School Board Members; more!

#### Commissioner Position No. 1

## Norman Z. Sigler

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**Education:** MBA Accounting, University of Michigan; BS Natural Sciences/Mathematics, Washington & Lee University

**Occupation:** Executive Recruiter, CLEAR-Consulting.Biz; Former Alaska Airlines Manager of Finance

**Statement:** King County residents founded the Port of Seattle in 1911 and it is still supported by your taxes today. I plan to lead with bold actions and big ideas like designating a portion of Port profits to eliminating Port-related pollution while mitigating environmental injustices in the Port's neighboring communities. This ensures that the Port adds to the health and quality of life in our region.

CLEAR-Consulting.Biz, my executive search firm, helps Puget Sound social profits diversify their leadership teams and as a Port Commissioner, I'll use my career skills to bring leaders together from neighboring counties and state levels to create more Green projects, invest in infrastructure that connects our regions, and do more business with diverse, environmentally friendly companies. I bring experience managing maintenance contracts for engine repairs, planning new routes, controlling costs, and building airline partnerships at Alaska Airlines, Northwest Airlines, and Continental Airlines. My past work as a healthcare strategy consultant for Blue Cross/Blue Shield and as an environmental scientist assessing commercial properties for environmental hazards means I would be the only Port Commissioner to bring institutional knowledge on day one from aviation, healthcare, and the environmental sectors.

SeaTac International Airport represents 70% - 80% of all Port of Seattle operations and is its greatest asset. Removing pollution from the supply chain of air travel is imperative if we want to continue to enjoy convenient international and domestic air service. We must also provide good union living wage jobs for our workers in the airport, fishing, and shipping industries.

I am proudly endorsed by the 34th Legislative District Democrats (Burien, Vashon Island, West Seattle, White Center).

Learn more about my campaign at www.NormanSiglerForPort.com and thank you for your vote!

## **Ryan Calkins**

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**Occupation:** Small business consultant; Nonprofit professional supporting women and minority-owned businesses

**Statement:** As your Port Commissioner, it's my honor to create living wage careers, support workers and small businesses, and advance the Port's actions to defeat climate change. I'm running for re-election to continue these efforts to build a Port aligned with our communities' forward-thinking priorities and values.

Recovering from COVID, the Port must serve as an engine for job creation. That's why I've fought to keep projects on schedule despite the pandemic, driving job growth and improving infrastructure that supports local businesses. Leveraging relationships with state and federal partners, I'm pushing for critical new projects, so our airport and seaport remain world class, competitive with the rest of the nation – and the world.

Drawing on my experience as a small business owner, we're strengthening and creating new career and entrepreneurial pathways. Apprenticeships, workforce training, Maritime High School, and business development are cornerstones for continued growth. Coupled with equity-driven programs for underrepresented communities, we're ensuring everyone has the opportunity to thrive and prosper.

I first ran for this office to accelerate our actions to address climate change. I'm proud to have led efforts to make our Port the nation's most environmentally sustainable. We'll continue our truly innovative approach in sustainable aviation fuels and complete decarbonization of the Seattle central waterfront, while driving more bold action to meet the scale of the climate crisis. The Port can serve as a global hub of the green economy, creating new industries and employment.

My endorsements show my proven commitment to working with others to achieve results. King County Democrats; National Organization for Women; Sierra Club; Washington Conservation Voters; MLK Labor and unions representing firefighters, nurses, essential workers; Congressmembers Jayapal and Smith; Attorney General Ferguson; Treasurer Pellicciotti; Executive Constantine; over 20 King County legislators; local elected officials; and many more!

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

## Stephanie Bowman

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**Education:** Masters of Business Administration, Seattle University; Bachelor of Science, University of Idaho

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Washington ABC, a non-profit economic empowerment agency

**Statement:** Voters have a clear choice this election about our Port and region's future.

The Port is critical to our economy. Thousands of middle-class jobs and small businesses depend on the essential services provided by our international airport and seaport. We need *experienced*, *collaborative Commissioners* focused on keeping the Port efficient, competitive and accountable.

I've dedicated my service on the Commission to ensuring our public port *creates and supports quality jobs countywide*, while mitigating its impacts on disproportionately affected communities and the environment.

My work has resulted in: *keeping cargo and jobs in our region* by creating a historic partnership with the Port of Tacoma; *new opportunities for small, locally-owned and diverse businesses* to operate at Sea-Tac; *expanding apprenticeships and workforce training* in Portrelated industries, and *unprecedented investments to reduce harmful impacts on our air, water and quality of life* by cleaning up stormwater, port trucks and electrifying port operations.

Some seek the Port Commission as a platform for political activism. By contrast, I have a track record of turning King County's values into actions: making the Port a national leader in addressing climate impacts affecting us all, focusing on carbon reduction, sequestration and energy efficiency; creating green jobs of the future by supporting innovative local businesses, and using the Port's resources to lift up communities and residents throughout King County. Let's keep the Port working for all of us. Commissioners should represent all residents, not a specific interest group or a political agenda. I'm proud to have the support of local leaders who understand the Port's essential role: Governors Chris Gregoire and Gary Locke; the Maritime Unions and King County Building Trades; Seattle Firefighters, airport workers, environmental leaders, and elected officials state and countywide. I'd be honored to continue bringing my values, knowledge, and experience to work on your behalf.

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**Education:** University of Washington: BA, MA Policy Studies; Harvard Business School Certificate in Global Business

**Occupation:** Policy Advisor: County Executive; Former Deputy District Director: Congresswoman Jayapal

Statement: As we recover from COVID-19, we must rethink our Port's policies and promote transparency, accountability, and public participation. My father was a trucker and my mother was a Sea-Tac airport worker, and I know firsthand how important it is that working families are protected. At the King County Executive Office, I advise on the County's \$12 billion budget and manage initiatives that invest millions in small businesses, community organizations, and COVID-19 response. I have served on multiple nonprofit boards and as a regional Organizing Director for President Biden's campaign. I have the skills, relationships, and expertise in economic development to achieve real results for communities in and around the Port.

Economic Recovery: I will work to establish re-entry programs for COVID-19-impacted workers, and establish the first Small Business Recovery Taskforce. I will focus on making the Port more competitive by streamlining our operations at our waterfront, improving freight mobility, and investing in high-speed rail, creating 24,000 jobs.

*Environmental Action*: I will prioritize habitat restoration, the reduction of toxic pollution, and will work to expand the Port's role in fighting our climate crisis. I am also committed to Port electrification and a just transition.

Airport Communities: The Port of Seattle's largest revenue stream is Sea-Tac Airport, yet none of the five Port Commissioners live in South King County. As a SeaTac resident, I am prepared to be a strong voice for cleaner aviation fuels, stronger sound insulation programs, and tackling ultrafine particle pollution with local leaders.

I am the only candidate endorsed by all nineteen King County Democratic Party organizations. Sole endorsements: Congresswoman Jayapal, Congressman Smith, King County Executive Constantine, Attorney General Ferguson, Commissioner of Public Lands Franz, Aerospace Machinists, UFCW, all SEIU locals, Teamsters Joint Council 28, Washington Conservation Voters, 50 Democratic legislators, and 300+ organizations and business leaders.

## Commissioner Position No. 4

## Peter Steinbrueck

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**Education:** Loeb Fellow, Harvard University; MA, Architecture, University of Washington; BA, Government, Bowdoin College

**Occupation:** Seattle Port Commissioner; Architect; Sustainability Strategist; Former Seattle City Councilmember

Statement: I learned early in life indelible civic leadership lessons and community values at the side of my father, Victor Steinbrueck, in his battle to save Pike Place Market. Through my years of public service, I've continued our family legacy, and as Port Commissioner I've worked hard to move our Port and the region forward with steady leadership and unswerving commitment to human values and transparency.

As Port Commissioner, I've worked to create: thousands of family-wage construction and dock jobs; critical oversight of billions in public works projects; a \$10 million South King County Community Impact Fund; a comprehensive carbon reduction plan for Sea-Tac Airport; a carbon-less and fully electrified Seaport by 2030; an extensive assessment of Port policing practices and policing reforms with a passion for civil rights and social justice; and accountable, open, and transparent government.

I've worked hard to improve environmental conditions at Sea-Tac Airport—reducing noise, improving air quality, increasing access for people with disabilities, raising flight kitchen workers' pay, and supporting taxicab drivers.

We Can Build The Port Of The Future Together: to be the region's driver for equitable middle-income wage jobs, the environmental leader among ports globally and ending systemic racism, all while demonstrating sound financial management, greater taxpayer accountability, transparency, and open government.

Endorsed: Ron Sims; Gael Tarleton; Auburn Mayor Nancy Backus; State Representatives Roger Goodman, Javier Valdez, and Frank Chopp; Bellevue City Councilmember Conrad Lee; Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson; Joan McBride; Bruce Harrell; Tomio Moriguchi; Nick Licata; SeaTac City Councilmember Pete Kwon; Federal Way Mayor Jim Farrell; Francisco Irigon; Sharon Lee; Civic rights Leader Lem Howell; Earth Day Founder Denis Hayes; King County Building and Construction Trades; 32nd LD Democrats; Metropolitan Democratic Club; Port of Seattle Fire Fighters; Seattle Fire Fighters; Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Local 32; Eastside Business Alliance... and many more!

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**Occupation:** Executive Director, Washington State Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of the Beacon Hill neighborhood, I've seen our Port's impact on communities. Leading a state agency, I witnessed how once again, when crises struck, working families were hit hardest. Disparities have deepened and our Port is one of the top polluters of carbon emissions in the state. It's fallen short of answering the challenges of our time. As a mom, I worry for the future.

Our Port is a connector - the gateway to the world and economic heartbeat of our region. It's uniquely positioned to be a model in bringing together stakeholders in industry, business, labor and community to build our economy back better while effectively reducing pollution. Growing our economy and advancing our environmental goals go hand-in-hand, but we need new leadership to get it done.

As Commissioner, I'll prioritize sustainably growing our maritime and aviation economies by transitioning off fossil fuels and promoting projects like electric terminals, off-shore wind, and solar panels to modernize our Port. Investing in infrastructure like high speed rail and better roads will promote international trade and improve the flow of goods and passengers throughout the region. These projects create family-wage jobs for workers and opportunities for small businesses. We can improve the quality of life for residents and ensure our Port operates in a safe, efficient manner without long, exhausting wait lines.

Meeting the needs of this moment requires new leadership with a bold vision, plan to act, and unwavering commitment to our goals. I'm running to ensure the rising tide of recovery lifts all ships.

Endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters, MLK County Labor Council, Ironworkers Local 86, NW Carpenters, business leaders, every legislative Democratic organization in King County, and over 50 electeds including Gov. Jay Inslee, Lt. Gov. Denny Heck, Congressman Adam Smith & Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal.

## **Conrad Lee**

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

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

**Statement:** I act carefully and thoughtfully by listening to you as your representative resulting in a great city Bellevue is today. I'm the most trustworthy vote on the Council for *public safety, lowering taxes, cutting wasteful spending,* and providing real sustainable solutions in *housing, transportation, and quality of life.* 

Bellevue is recovering well from the COVID-19 pandemic. With sound financial management, we have increased funding for public safety to keep the city safe and maintaining essential services and investments without increasing the property tax rate. Our public schools are ranked the best. With a multicultural, diverse, and engaged population, global talents, vibrant businesses, and excellent quality of life, Bellevue is poised for the future!

Working together with you and our partners, I'm ready to tackle new opportunities as well as challenges with collaborative partnerships and innovative solutions on your behalf.

I am accessible, accountable, and transparent. I am proud to be an "American by Choice" fighting for what too many take for granted - "Freedom, Liberty, and Justice for all!" Endorsed by Bellevue Firefighters and Bellevue Police MA and my fellow residents who support "Bellevue Way", I ask for your vote and your continued trust to represent you.

## **Dexter Borbe**

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**Education:** MBA, MIT Sloan School of Management; BS Electrical Engineering, University of the Philippines

**Occupation:** Business owner; Former Energy Industry Vice President; Amazon Alumni

**Statement:** Bellevue is reaching an inflection point requiring a new generation of imaginative and creative leaders on our City Council.

I envision a Bellevue that is *safe* and *vibrant* to live and work in. My priorities start with addressing the *shortage of affordable and family-friendly housing*. We have seniors being priced out of their homes and young people who can't stay where they grew up. I'll demand *transportation and transit investment*, so our *economy* can continue to grow, and people can go where they need. I will improve human services so all Bellevue residents can live *full* and *healthy* lives.

As a neighborhood advocate and father, I want to maintain our excellent schools, improve public safety, and invest in our parks. As a business leader, I want city resources to achieve their best public use. I value Bellevue's diverse multicultural community and harmony with nature. I seek a brighter future for all families in Bellevue.

I humbly ask for your vote and the opportunity to serve. Endorsed: the Seattle Times, King County Democrats, Senator Patty Kuderer, Representative Vandana Slatter, County Councilmember and Former Bellevue Mayor Claudia Balducci, Bellevue Councilpersons Barksdale, Stokes, and Zahn, and the Sierra Club.

## **Ruth Lipscomb**

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**Education:** Graduate of Oregon State University with BS in Computer Science, Class of 1983

Occupation: Retired, former Software Design Engineer at Microsoft

**Statement:** I see a very different Bellevue from when I started at Microsoft in the 1980's, but one that still holds the promise of the things that my family wanted decades ago. To continue Bellevue's success and opportunity, we need to rise to the challenges that our growing population and growing economy are creating.

This starts with our police, including prioritizing violent crime, bringing in mental health professionals when needed, and setting new accountability standards. We can't rely on the status quo and wait for problems to arise before we act.

City Hall has procrastinated on homelessness; we need urgency to move the homeless indoors. We must increase housing affordability for residents at every stage of life. Too many seniors feel stuck because they can't downsize and remain in the neighborhoods they call home. We need leadership, purpose, and action to avoid the problems of surrounding cities. We must not be timid. Bellevue, more than any city, has the deep expertise in innovation to lead our region.

Endorsed: King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, Bellevue City Councilmembers Jeremy Barksdale, John Stokes, Janice Zahn, State Senators Lisa Wellman, Manka Dhingra, Patty Kuderer, State Representatives Tana Senn, Vandana Slatter, My-Linh Thai, and many more...

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Education: Graduate Studies, Brown University; B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison; Bellevue Essentials Program, City of Bellevue

**Occupation:** Deputy Mayor, City of Bellevue; Marketing Director, Kalypso Media Group

**Statement:** Four years ago, you elected me to cultivate "the Bellevue Way" – prioritizing transparency, compassion, and inclusivity for all – as we create consensus on decisions that protect our quality of life and reflect the values of our residents.

As Deputy Mayor, I'm proud of how the City Council responded to the challenges of COVID-19 while preserving our expanding influence as a hub for business and innovation, all while making equity a cornerstone of every decision we make.

I've rejected the extreme calls to defund our local police. Instead, I've increased public safety funding and training to ensure that police and firefighters are highly trained and resourced to keep all members of our community safe.

Among my highest priorities are to increase the supply of affordable housing in Bellevue and to build on the important work we started with Bellevue's Environmental Stewardship Plan...the most progressive environmental policy in City history. Bellevue is thriving. I humbly ask for your vote to continue my work keeping Bellevue among the safest, most inclusive, and most livable cities in America. Endorsed: Bellevue Firefighters and Police Officers Guild, Eastside Business Alliance, Mayor Lynne Robinson, Councilmember Conrad Lee, Representative Amy Walen, and many more.

## **Gina Johnson**

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**Education:** BU Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine, UP Master of Business Administration, PLU Bachelor of Science Nursing

**Occupation:** Physician, Entrepreneur, former Nursing Administrator, Board Member-BNOA, Medical Volunteer

**Statement:** As a mother, physician, and Bellevue Network on Aging board member, *I am an experienced advocate for safety and opportunity.* I would be proud to be your voice on the Bellevue City Council to preserve our world-class "city in a park" as the best place to live, raise families, work, and play.

My priorities for a strong Bellevue include funding police, fire, and mental health services to improve emergency response, traffic congestion relief with mobility options, infrastructure investment aligned with growth, lower taxes and fees to boost economic development for jobs and business start-ups, affordable housing through streamlined permitting and tax incentives, expanded green spaces to promote a healthy environment, and responsible spending to protect city finances. With new state laws impacting policing and shelters, we need accountable and transparent leadership.

Endorsements by Bill Cooper, former BPD officer and retired Bainbridge Island police chief; Patti Mann, retired BFD firefighter; Vic Bishop, transportation engineer; TJ Woosley, property management; Amber Swanigan, BSD teacher; Brian Kung, MD; JD Yu, former Bellevue City Council candidate, among residents, businesses, and civic leaders. I ask for your vote as my most important endorsement. It will be my honor to serve our welcoming community. Thank you.

## Lynne Robinson

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**Education:** Physical Therapy Doctorate, Regis University; BS Physical Therapy, Northwestern University; BA Community Services, CSU Chico

Occupation: Small Business Owner; Bellevue Mayor and Councilmember (2013 - Present)

**Statement:** As Mayor and Councilmember, I have worked hard to create a Bellevue where all have access to opportunities, amenities, and a high quality of life. Throughout the pandemic, I stepped up to lead our city and am proud of the unity we showed to mitigate public health and economic impacts. Today we are on a solid path to recovery and prosperity.

Equity includes stable housing and a good education. As we move our city forward, I will build on my proven record of collaborative leadership, putting our values into action to address homelessness and build affordable housing with local and regional solutions, reduce gun violence and improve public safety with community-led input, and increase local climate action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

I am committed to downtown job growth and maintaining our strong residential neighborhoods. We are improving parks and playgrounds, and fulfilling our promise of an inclusive, welcoming community for all. I am honored to have your vote.

Endorsed: Bellevue Firefighters, Sierra Club, National Women's Political Caucus, labor unions, Eastside Business Alliance, Congressman Smith, Executive Constantine, County Councilmember Balducci, every Bellevue state legislator, fellow Councilmembers Stokes, Robertson, Nieuwenhuis, and Zahn, and many more Democratic leaders!

## Jeanne Zornes

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**Education:** Speech and Hearing, BS University of Washington, M.Ed Deaf Ed, University of Washington

Occupation: Substitute Teacher grades K-12 Northshore School District Statement: Raising our family Bothell gave me years of experience and insight about thoughtful growth for everyone living here. It has outpaced infrastructure. Our wonderful parks are poised to offer more for all ages and interests. Our trees and salmon need to be part of the conversation. Main Street needs that small town feel now more than ever.

We need *regional* mental and addiction therapies that are too big to fix alone. I will not reduce public safety funding, especially the 2018 community approved police and fire levy.

As your councilmember, it has been an honor to advocate for you. We saved Yakima Fruit Market, became more mindful of accessible growth and increased financial stability. I have strived for varied and affordable housing for all, safer streets to live and travel on, more city transparency, and stronger neighborhoods. With many endorsements from community, business and legislative leaders, *your vote matters most*.

## Han Tran

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**Education:** Bachelors+Masters, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering (WSU+Georgia Tech). Certificate, Financial Accounting, Business Analytics (Harvard).

Occupation: Product Innovation Manager for a local engineering firm Statement: As a Vietnamese-American refugee raised in Bothell, I saw my family thrive because our neighbors believed that our society is strongest when we empower marginalized community members. These values shape my vision for Bothell.

A Bothell that's prepared for the future means better regional coordination with transportation planning and zoning reforms for an affordable, greener city. As we recover from COVID19, I'll fight to protect our working families from budget cuts and prioritize jobs programs and small business supports. I'll work with our community to create equitable, inclusive solutions like public safety alternatives for mental health crises, gun violence prevention, and housing assistance. I would be honored to serve you and your family.

Endorsements: King and Snohomish County Democratic Parties, King County Young Democrats, Labor Unions including UFCW21, Washington Housing Alliance, Representatives Shelley Kloba and April Berg, Snohomish County Councilmember Megan Dunn, King County Councilmember Girmay Zahilay.

#### Council Position No. 3

## Jenne Alderks

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**Education:** Bachelors, Human Development, BYU. Masters of Education, University of Hawaii Manoa. Public Leadership Credential, Harvard.

**Occupation:** Self-employed doula. Bothell Planning Commissioner. Youth leader, community organizer.

**Statement:** We need fresh, focused leadership in Bothell. As a Planning Commissioner, I've worked to steer our city toward a more sustainable and equitable future. I've successfully organized alongside antiracist Bothellites to prioritize Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in government. I'll bring new energy and a long track record of progressive accomplishments to City Hall.

As a small business owner, doula, and parent, I want all Bothell residents to have opportunities to live, work, and play while feeling safe, valued, and included. I'll work for truly affordable housing, longer-term investments in transportation infrastructure, and expanding effective public safety alternatives like North Sound RADAR. We must capitalize on our thriving local economy by empowering small businesses and creating a sustainable and caring community for all.

Endorsements: King and Snohomish County Democratic Parties, Sierra Club, labor unions, Washington Housing Alliance, Senator Derek Stanford, Representative Shelley Kloba, Bothell Councilmembers Davina Duerr and Mason Thompson.

## **Rosemary McAuliffe**

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Education: BS Nursing, Seattle U.

Occupation: HSH Manager

Statement: Rosemary values our diverse community. A daughter of an Italian immigrant and first generations from Lebanon, she respects our diversity. In support of local businesses, Rosemary secured an Economic Development Manager. Rosemary and Jim were Co-Chairs of the levy to restore the Northshore Senior Center. She fights to to protect our quality of life, manage our growth, and open the door to small businesses. The Tech industry is a big part of our economy, she supports family wage jobs. Rosemary seeks to build a diverse array of housing fpr seniors and families. "We want to be a City where families can afford to live". Rosemary believes we should take our city's growth as an opportunity to include gathering places for families. She represents the City of Bothell on the Parks and Recreation Board and secured two student positions on the board. "Our young people need a voice in their future"

## Ben Mahnkey

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Washington State University Honors College; Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Service

**Occupation:** Manager, Employee Relations; Former Corporate Development Analyst

**Statement:** My wife and I grew up in Bothell and decided to raise our three children in our hometown because it is a wonderful community. However, we still have opportunity to create a *better Bothell*.

As your Councilmember, I will work to preserve the best parts of our city as we grow, prioritize community safety, and attract businesses to increase vibrancy and decrease the pressure on property taxes. I will also work to complete our downtown redevelopment, balance the budget, and improve our parks. With my deep roots in Bothell, private sector experience, and a history of service to the city on multiple boards and commissions, I am deeply invested in our community. I would be honored to serve you and humbly ask for your vote. Together, we can create a better Bothell!

Endorsements: Councilmembers McNeal, Agnew, Zornes, McAuliffe; former Councilmembers Rheaume, Samberg, Paylor, Spivey; County Councilmember Dunn; Bothell First Responders.

## Matt Kuehn

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**Education:** BA Economics and BA Political Science, University of Washington; Seattle University School of Law

Occupation: JD Candidate

**Statement:** Bothell is one of the fastest growing cities in our state because it is a wonderful community to live, work, and play. That growth has put strain on our roads, infrastructure, and green spaces. We need city leaders who have tangible ideas on how to address those issues.

I will be a strong advocate for adding new sidewalks, crosswalks, trails, and bike paths. With over five years of experience in state government, I will fight for Bothell's fair share of funding for our critical road and public transit projects. If elected, I will be a voice on the council protecting our green spaces such as the Wayne Golf Course, Shelton View Forest, and North Creek Forest. Finally, we need a council who takes a measured, forward-thinking, approach to public safety.

Endorsements: Bothell Councilmembers Duerr and Thompson, Former Bothell Councilmember Pat Pierce, 1st LD Democrats, King County Democrats, more on website

#### Council Position No. 7

## **Beca Nistrian**

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**Education:** University of Washington

Occupation: small business owner (Beca's Brew)

Statement: As a small business owner of Beca's Brew, children's book author, civil service commissioner for the City of Bothell, and a single mom to a special girl, I have the experience, dedication, and drive it takes to serve on city council. I have partnered with the Northshore School District to get 16,000 books to students across the region, hosted the "Night to Shine" event, and helped organize the CanDo5K. I believe it's improtant to be involved in the community to truly serve on council. If elected, I promise to serve the city with kindness, justice, and transparency.

A few achievable areas of focus I will proritize while on council include improving public safety, managing city budget in a more fiscally conservative manner, and facilitating more transparency between council and the community. I promise to make Bothell the very best city it can be for all my constituents.

## Rami Al-Kabra

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**Education:** Masters in Business Administration (MBA) (Seattle University) and Bachelors in Electrical Engineering (University of Kentucky)

Occupation: Head of Product Management at a local technology company

**Statement:** My family chose to call Bothell home because of its affordability and high-quality schools. Since then, I've watched our city grow unevenly while rising prices push working families and young people out. I'm running as an experienced leader with a bold vision for a more affordable, greener Bothell that welcomes everyone.

As a business leader, I manage people and oversee substantial budgets. I commit to working collaboratively to ensure our city's budget reflects our values and priorities. Let's invest in human services and prioritize small business recovery. Since immigrating to America, I've dedicated myself to serving my community and currently serve on the Bothell Landmark Preservation Board. I will ensure our government is transparent and accountable and redistributes funds to expand mental healthcare.

Endorsements: King County Democratic Party, King County Young Democrats, Washington Housing Alliance, Representative Shelley Kloba, City Councilmembers Davina Duerr and Mason Thompson. More on my website!

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#### Council Position No. 1

## Steve Friedman

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, University of Southern California

**Occupation:** Retired, former President and Chief Operating Officer, Wave Broadband

**Statement:** I am *honored* to serve the residents of Clyde Hill as a member of your City Council, and I seek to continue serving our wonderful city. I am proud of how our police skillfully protect the safety of our community and I appreciate the commitment of our City Staff to ensure the delivery of excellent services to our residents. It is this dedication that earns Clyde Hill accolades as a wonderful place to live and to raise a family.

As your Councilmember, my *priorities* are to continue to protect the safety of our residents, provide effective traffic management, efficiently utilize our community resources, and ensure we preserve our outstanding services. I am committed to preserving our views and maintaining the quality of our neighborhoods. As a Councilmember dedicated to serving our community, I appreciate your vote to continue the important work for Clyde Hill.

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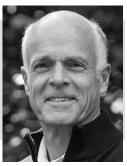
Occupation: Customer & Marketing Engagement - Boeing Defense

Statement: I currently serve as Clyde Hill Council 3. I was born and raised in Clyde Hill. I will continue to use my experience and my long residence in Clyde Hill to focus on the fiscal and community challenges of Clyde Hill. I am the son of a decorated WWII veteran, brother of Vietnam War Purple Heart recipient, and work for the greatest defense company in the world. I am a patriot through-and-through but I also believe in a balance of patriotism and protecting our neighborhood views. I have a passion for this community. I promise to always be open and available to listen to the views, perspectives, and desires of our citizens. I will work to find the right balance between our long-time residents and new residences. As a passionate long time and long-time Clyde Hill resident, I would be honored and humbled to continue to represent you.

#### Council Position No. 5

## John A. Schwager

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**Education:** Stanford University: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, and Master In Business Administration.

**Occupation:** Retired, after many years with the United Nations and Boeing.

**Statement:** As a Clyde Hill resident of 32 years, I am proud of my volunteer service with the City's Budget Advisory Committee, of my support of the Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club, and of my support of Jubilee Reach.

As a UN diplomat, I worked to provide technical assistance to numerous developing countries. As a Boeing executive, I worked closely with international airline customers, taking on challenges in finance, engineering, and cultures. In all cases I learned to listen closely to those around me before making any major decision.

Clyde Hill is a wonderful place to live. As your council member I will encourage dialogue with our citizens, and will continue to support our professional police force, our first-rate infrastructure, and our stable city finances. The skills that I have developed over the years will serve me well as your Clyde Hill Council Member. Thank you for your vote.

## **Dean Hachamovitch**

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**Education:** A.B. Mathematics, Harvard; professional development courses through Wharton, Kellogg School of Management (Northwestern), Harvard.

**Occupation:** CEO & startup advisor; formerly Corporate vice president, Microsoft

**Statement:** Clyde Hill is a beautiful, safe, and thriving city. I've lived here for 20 years, and understand what providing high-quality public services takes after serving with the City's Budget Advisory Committee, participating in City Council meetings, learning from elected officials, and seeing our dedicated and highly-responsive police force and city staff at work.

I want to help City government get better at listening to and informing residents. Listening to many of you, I've heard surprise about plans for a new city hall and some frustration with city processes and responsiveness. My 24 years of Microsoft executive experience (leading world-wide teams, working with engineering, legal, and finance professionals) can help.

With better communication, we can substantively improve transparency and maintain the services, quality of life, and financial stability our increasingly diverse community already enjoys. I would be honored to represent you on the City Council. Thank you for your vote.

## Mayor

## **Mary Lou Pauly**

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Education: Bachelor of Applied Science, Civil Engineering

Occupation: Mayor, City of Issaquah

**Statement:** Four years ago, I asked for your support to lead our community nestled in the beautiful Issaquah Valley. I promised you leadership that engages with all members of our diverse community, and that strives to meet you where you are.

Our community wants balanced growth that fits our charming character, stewardship that celebrates our environment, and sustainable solutions to our traffic. Issaquah is an incredible place to live, work, and play, and I promise that will never change.

As your Mayor, I'm working hard to turn our community vision into a reality. We've made meaningful progress, but there is still much more to do. I'd be honored to earn your support once again.

#### Council Position No. 1

## Chris Reh

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Education: BA, Economics University of Washington; MBA Seattle

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Occupation: Program Director

Statement: Issaquah is at a critical crossroads, and the decisions that we make today will have a profound impact on our future and our quality of life. We must address our worsening traffic problems and find a sensible approach to development. I have lived in this community for more than 25 years, and I am committed to preserving the qualities that make Issaquah a great place to live. In my time on the City Council, I have advocated for the citizens of Issaquah and provided leadership in tackling the challenging problems we face today and will in the future. I will continue working to preserve open space, maintain Issaquah as a safe and caring community, and promote smart, sustainable growth across the region. I'd be honored to be your representative on the City Council so I can give back to this community that has given me so much.

## Barbara de Michele

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**Education:** Washington State University (B.A. English Education); Eastern Connecticut State University (M.S. English Education)

**Occupation:** Issaquah Councilmember, Non-Profit Executive Director; former KCDOT Community Relations planner

Statement: In 2019, I was honored to be elected to Issaquah City Council, filling out an unexpired two-year term. I am proud of the Council's 2020 achievements in response to COVID19. We decisively slowed the city's financial freefall, supplied unprecedented levels of support for suddenly unemployed residents and struggling small businesses, and confronted the twin challenges of racial inequities and police reform. Issaquah proved itself a strong and resilient community, as everyone worked together to keep neighbors safe and healthy.

I'm eager to continue working with you to resolve our challenges, including the affordable housing and homeless crisis, climate change, needed transportation alternatives to congested roadways and a strong network of human services accessible to every resident.

Endorsed by 5th LD and 41st LD Democrats, King County Democrats, The Sierra Club, Transit Riders Union, Eastside Professional Firefighters IAFF 2878, Seattle-King County Realtors Association and National Womens Political Caucus – Washington.

#### Council Position No. 5

## Russell Joe

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**Education:** University of Colorado Boulder, J.D., Northwestern University, B.A., Economics and Political Science

Occupation: Municipal Relationship Manager with Republic Services Statement: I will bring a wide range of experience to Issaquah. Having previously served on the Issaquah City Council for eight years, I am familiar with the demands of the job and your high expectations. I have witnessed many changes since moving here 26 years ago. I will capitalize on the gains made and continue to work to address our traffic and growth while preserving our forested hills and clear streams.

It has been my honor to serve cities as a prosecutor, volunteer, and non-profit board member. Currently, I help solve municipal issues in cooperation with city councils and staff in King and Snohomish County. Let me bring this high level of customer service to you. Please vote for Russell loe.

Endorsed by: 5th District House Representative Bill Ramos, Fred Butler, Former Issaquah Mayor, Barbara de Michele, Issaquah City Council, Jeff Wagner, Covington Mayor, and Wendy Weiker, Mercer Island City Council.

## Rose Zibrat

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**Education:** B.S. Geology, Slippery Rock University; B.S. Computer Science, Oregon State University

Occupation: Software Developer and Volunteer

**Statement:** I am running for city council because I believe that we must be the change we want to see happen. Public services are an investment into ourselves and our community and I know that we can do better here in

To conserve our community health, we must focus on expanding sustainable practices and, more importantly, implementing regenerative practices and permaculture principles on a city-wide scale. Protecting our natural environment and preserving biodiversity are essential to human well-being. Together, we can address the issues of social equity, living wages, reinforcing worker's rights, bolstering tenants' rights, police reform, and improving access to public transportation.

Issaquah deserves leadership who will not only consider the needs of today, but also the future needs of our children several generations from now. We need someone who makes data-driven decisions and writes evidence-based policy. It would be my honor to serve our community as a councilmember.

## **Tola Marts**

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Education: Bachelor of Science / Mechanical Engineering (1993,

University of Minnesota / Twin Cities)

**Occupation:** Aerospace Engineering Executive

**Statement:** Workforce Housing and Living Wage Jobs. The people who work here can't live here, and the people who live here can't work here. This drives massive rush hour traffic, 6000 cars per hour on I-90, and more pollution as private vehicles represent the largest contribution to carbon emissions.

I have made workforce housing the centerpiece of my campaigns and my elected efforts since first being elected in 2009. In those years I have welcomed and seen built substantial workforce housing, some of it subsidized, in the valley floor and in our urban villages without displacing existing families.

Adding living wage jobs has been a more challenging task, but I have supported efforts to simplify development code in business districts and provide State, Federal, and local funds to help businesses survive the COVID pandemic. Vote for me again and help me continue to fight for workforce housing and living wage jobs!



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## Joe Marshall

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**Education:** Inglemoor Grad '87; BA UW; MFA Cornell; JD UW. **Occupation:** Attorney 21 years, including municipal law, criminal defense, real estate.

**Statement:** *I respectfully ask to serve you again.* I grew up here, returned to raise my family, served as Northshore Rotary President, served on Cascadia Community College Foundation, fought for environmentally responsible park use and continued public ownership; on the NPRSA Board, supported the successful levy for Northshore Senior Center.

I get results: Kenmore's first Pride Proclamation, DEI Initiative and Climate Action Plan, honoring Kenmore's Native American Heritage, new PSE infrastructure for shorter power outages; mobile home park preservation; new boat house and water access; a new, safer bridge; new sidewalks and bike lanes; testing of industrial emissions, safeguarding parks, woods and wetlands, improved Moorlands baseball field; COVID relief and assistance, improving our roads and reducing traffic congestion. I will keep fighting for a public pool!

Endorsements: 46th District Democrats, King County Democrats, Congresswoman Susan DelBene, Executive Dow Constantine, Rep. Javier Valdez, Rep. Gerry Pollett, Rep David Frockt.

#### Council Position No. 3

## Angela Kugler

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**Education:** BA in English & Secondary Education, James Madison University; EMBA, University of Washington

Occupation: Sr. VP of External Affairs at DigiPen Institute of Technology Statement: This is my first time running but not my first time serving Kenmore residents. I've served on the Planning Commission, volunteered as an advisor for the Kenmore Business Incubator, helped advocate for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) for Kenmore, and served on the City Council since being appointed in January 2021.

I care deeply about the people of Kenmore and believe we can enhance the quality of life for all residents by attracting more affordable housing and public transit, shaping our downtown to have a unique identity as a destination, and increasing connectedness throughout our city. Our City and surrounding area are growing and it's imperative that we plan for and shape that growth for the better with an *environmental* and *equity* lens and by making local government *more accessible*.

Together, we can make Kenmore a unique, sustainable, and welcoming community for all to live. I humbly ask for your vote.

## Nigel G. Herbig

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**Education:** B.A. University of Washington - Comparative Religion, Political Science

**Occupation:** Washington State House of Representatives - Legislative Assistant

Statement: Serving my neighbors on the Kenmore City Council is one of the greatest honors I've ever had. I ran on pedestrian safety and government transparency, and I've delivered: We have built over three miles of new sidewalks and bike lanes, with another three miles being built right now. I got a camera installed in Council Chambers so anyone can stream our meetings live at home and watch their government at work. I've stood up for our mobile home park residents, and led on climate, affordable housing, transit, and protecting those in need in our community.

I am a trusted leader endorsed by: the 46th District and King County Democrats, Washington Conservation Voters, Representative Suzan DelBene, King County Executive Dow Constantine, King County Councilmember Rod Dembowski, State Senator David Frockt, State Reps. Gerry Pollet and Javier Valdez, and numerous other regional leaders.

I humbly ask for your vote. Let's Keep Kenmore Moving!

## **Bob Black**

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**Education:** United States Army Aviation Degree, Everett Community College, PADI Degree.

**Occupation:** Previous: Director, CCE WA Fleet supervisor. Operating Engineer. Aviation Inspector.

Statement: It's clear Kenmore citizens want a transparent city council who responds to their needs and to be proactive not reactive. Government that prioritizes spending, lives within its means while providing safe infrastructures reduces traffic congestion and makes Kenmore a safe walk-able drivable city. Kenmore needs leadership that uses the resources they have wisely and puts a halt to new and increased fees and taxes. The council needs to develop a viable vision for the future to make Kenmore more than a congested bus stop between cities without destroying businesses and Nature. The top priority is to make Kenmore a livable vibrant Safe community, to make the city council more transparent and fiscally responsible. I will work to make city government more transparent and fiscally responsible. I want to make our city the best it can be. Its time for change I ask for your vote to make this happen.

#### Council Position No. 6

## Debra Srebnik

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**Education:** Inglemoor High School graduate; University of Washington, B.S. Psychology; University of Vermont, Ph.D. Psychology

Occupation: Program Manager, Homeless Housing section, King County Statement: Growing up in Kenmore and returning to raise a family, I have a deep commitment to our community. After helping with Kenmore's incorporation and serving on the Planning Commission, I led the Walkways and Waterways bond campaign that is now constructing sidewalks, bikelanes, park improvements, and shoreline restoration. As a Councilmember, I spearheaded Kenmore's climate action plan, led community engagement efforts, and worked to bring housing for all economic levels and thriving new businesses and restaurants to Kenmore.

I am seeking re-election to continue developing inclusive, safe, and affordable neighborhoods, protecting our environment, and creating more places to shop, dine, and play. I have the trust and endorsement of fellow councilmembers, elected representatives, and community leaders for my civic accomplishments, creative solutions, and fiscal responsibility. I understand our community. I care about our community. And I will continue to work hard for our community. I ask for your vote.

## Jon Culver

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**Education:** Bachelor's of Science, Cum Laude, Information Systems Management, Auburn University

Occupation: Principal Technologist

Statement: A better Kenmore is possible! We have faced many concurrent crises these past few years, particularly in the last year or so, but these problems are not new. And how we respond to the challenges that still lie ahead is up to us. I'm a technologist, Dad, and small business owner. I'm running to create a more connected, engaged, and responsive City Council, centered around the needs of our community. My background in civic technology makes me uniquely suited to advocate on behalf Kenmore residents for more proactive representation on the issues that matter most, including climate and affordable housing. Our campaign is about activating our constituents, and bringing the people of Kenmore together to fight for a better world and a brighter tomorrow. Amidst our continued growth, we have an opportunity to lead as a city, and this moment demands that we must. I ask for your vote!

## Jay Arnold

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**Education:** B.S. in Computer Science, Certificate of Municipal Leadership **Occupation:** Kirkland Deputy Mayor, freelance web developer and IT consultant

**Statement:** I am passionate about a sustainable, vibrant, diverse, Kirkland where all belong. To realize that vision, I'm committed to housing affordability, equity, and racial justice. Kirkland's award-winning "missing middle" housing provides many opportunities, but we need more for our workforce and seniors. We have work ahead analyzing city policies and decision-making, emphasizing de-escalation for people in crisis, and adding mental health and social worker co-responders.

Everything we do needs to happen in a sustainable way. I championed Kirkland's *Sustainability Master Plan*, our blueprint for clean energy, electric vehicles, and green buildings. What we build, where we build, and how we build matters.

We're creating exciting opportunities to live, eat, shop, and play. We need to connect these places with investments in transit, neighborhood greenways, and the Cross Kirkland Corridor. I've listened, brought people together, and found creative solutions. I would be honored to have your vote to continue this work.

#### Council Position No. 3

## **Penny Sweet**

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**Education:** Roosevelt High School, Shoreline Community College, Antioch University Leadership Program, Leadership Eastside

**Occupation:** Retired Healthcare Administrator, owner of The Grape Choice in Kirkland

**Statement:** I have served 12 years on the Kirkland City Council, 4 as Mayor and 40 years as a resident and business owner. I chair Celebrate Kirkland! 4th of July and organized Kirkland's 2005 Centennial Celebration. I am the incoming chair of Hopelink Board of Directors.

With my leadership Kirkland created the Cross Kirkland Corridor, redeveloped Totem Lake Mall and Parkplace, built two fire stations, the Kirkland Justice Center, rebuilt Juanita Beach, created Edith Moulton and Totem Lake Parks.

Service to my community comes naturally. I want Kirkland to be a place where our children will raise their children. That requires bold leaders committed to environmental sustainability, economic prosperity and safe neighborhoods. Decisions made in the next 4 years regarding housing, homelessness, transportation, and growth will define Kirkland's future requiring seasoned leadership. Your vote is a precious right. I hope you will lend yours to me. Thank You. Penny

## **Matthew Goelzer**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Architecture and Bachelor of Arts, The University of Texas at Austin

Occupation: Architect, LEED AP, Business Owner, Community Advocate Statement: My perspective is as a husband, father, business owner, former condo president, commercial architect, and Metro rider. My job involves listening to all stakeholders and creating workable solutions. My family includes Eagles, Cougars, Ravens, Kangs and Huskies, immigrants, people with disabilities, and those requiring Kirkland's Section 8 housing. My family is privileged to reside in this diverse, welcoming community. Kirkland is poised for an amazing future. With smart, planned growth, we can create a sustainable path forward that respects our history and maintains our uniqueness. Displacement, housing inflation, and stresses on City services are acute issues that must be prioritized. Homelessness,

Your voice deserves to be heard. You deserve to be part of shaping the future. With your vote, I commit to listening to and amplifying your voice.

socioeconomic and racial injustice are systemic problems that require decisive action. I am committed to working with you on these core

## **Cherese Bourgoin**

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**Education:** Washington State NEVAC **Occupation:** Co-Owner, Bella Sirena Salon

Statement: We deserve a leader that will champion our small business community. One who has experience on the ground level, who can be proactive, not reactive. We as a community deserve a leader who will help to keep the balance of safety, compassion and commerce. Being a nimble and flexible thinker can provide a new and fresh outlook on some of the roadblocks our business community might face in these coming years. We deserve a leader that is approachable and willing to have conversations about our hopes and concerns. I am that leader. My family's roots are solidly planted on the east side. My business has operated for the past 19 years in downtown Kirkland. I am just like you. I want to keep our Kirkland safe, fun and full of opportunities for our families. For many years to come. I humbly ask for your vote.

## **Neal Black**

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**Education:** JD, Georgetown University; BS in Civil Engineering, Stanford University

**Occupation:** Attorney, Partner at Adkins Black LLP, Kirkland City Councilmember

Statement: I'm honored to be serving you on the City Council and proud of Kirkland's achievements. We've invested in our parks, including Juanita Beach and Totem Lake; progressed on key transportation projects, including safe school routes and bike corridors; provided critical aid to Kirkland businesses through Shop Local Kirkland and the Small Business Relief Fund; thoughtfully planned for sustainable growth; encouraged a greater mix of affordable housing; and committed additional resources to community safety and human services. And, we did it all while compassionately navigating COVID and responsibly balancing the budget. I've lived in Kirkland for nearly 25 years. I'm committed to thoughtful, service-oriented decision-making. And, I'll continue to work to ensure that Kirkland remains our region's most vibrant, livable, and welcoming city. I'm proud to be endorsed by all nine state legislators representing Kirkland, both of its county councilmembers, and the four most recent-retired city councilmembers. I appreciate your vote.

#### Council Position No. 7

## Jon Pascal

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**Education:** M.S. Engineering and B.S. Forestry, University of Washington **Occupation:** Transportation Engineer; Small Business Owner in Kirkland; Kirkland City Councilmember

**Statement:** Serving as your councilmember is an honor. I will continue working with you for commonsense solutions that enhance Kirkland's charm and livability, while responsibly managing growth.

My priorities: support the community in recovering from the pandemic; implement transportation improvements that allow us to get around safely and reliably; make smart investments in public safety services to keep us safe; and preserve our remaining open spaces for future generations.

For 20 years I have volunteered as a Transportation and Planning Commissioner, co-founder of Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance, Co-Chair Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods, Little League coach, and LWSD facility task force member. I have made our streets safer for walking and biking, increased support for human services, expanded our parks system, created more affordable housing options, and pushed for sensible land use regulations. Kirkland is a wonderful community and that's why I raise my family here. I respectfully ask for your vote.

## **Municipal Court Judge**

## John R. Olson

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**Education:** B.A. and M.S., University of Washington; J.D., University of

Puget Sound School of Law

Occupation: Kirkland Municipal Court Judge since 2019

Statement: Judge John Olson has served the people of Kirkland in a judicial capacity for more than 17 years – first as a Court Commissioner and now as a full-time judge. Over the past year, he has worked hard to develop a Community Court utilizing existing community resources for housing, addiction recovery, mental health, and education to assist those charged with low level non-violent crimes to get their lives back on track. Judge Olson believes in the power of community – local people addressing local problems.

Prior to his current judicial work, Judge Olson served area school districts as a hearing officer for student disciplinary matters.

Judge Olson has been endorsed by: Mayor Penny Sweet, Kirkland Councilmembers Neal Black, Toby Nixon, John Pascal, and former Councilmember Dave Asher; Supreme Court Justice Mary Yu and more than 30 trial court judges; King County Democrats and the 1st, 45th, and 48th District Democrats.



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# Jessica L. Rossman

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**Education:** J.D., Stanford Law School; B.A. (Biology & Society), Cornell University

Occupation: Mayor (2020-21), Deputy Mayor (2018-19), Medina City Council; Attorney; Parent

Statement: Medina is an amazing community, a special small town at the edges of bigger cities. I came to Medina's Council in 2018 as a lawyer, parent of two young boys, Planning Commission member, and former Medina Days co-chair. With those experiences, and now deeper knowledge from a first term on Council, I am running to continue serving this community as we strive to stay unique and family-friendly amidst the pressures of regional growth.

As a council member and the current Mayor, I've pushed for priorities that benefit residents, including: increased traffic safety efforts; responsible and clear budgeting (now the city provides a detailed "Budget in Brief" memo); and community forums. I will continue to work for transparency, accountability, community-building, respectful well-organized meetings, proactive management and pragmatic problem-solving.

I enjoy discussing city issues, and I'm always open to hearing different residents' perspectives and concerns. I would very much appreciate your support.

#### Council Position No. 3

# Jennifer H. Garone

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**Education:** Hofstra University

Occupation: Privacy and Information Governance

**Statement:** A businesswoman and Mom who raised my family in Medina, I am seeking re-election to the Medina City Council.

The Council has accomplished a lot over the prior 4 years, and I'm proud of what we've done together with the City staff. We are on the road to financial stability, improved the playground, sought to mitigate the bike & traffic challenges and navigated Covid-19.

My hope is that we can encourage more citizens to be involved. A big priority is public safety – that's a must. Another is maintaining the unique character of the community. It's why so many of us chose Medina. I'll continue focusing on fiscal restraint while maintaining a high level of services to residents. The 520 expansion joint noise issue remains a high priority. I am proud of this City and am looking forward to continuing to serve my City in this volunteer position.

# **Mac Johnston**

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**Education:** B.A., Communications and Business Administration, University of San Diego, M.B.A., City University of Seattle

Occupation: Program Manager Lead, Microsoft

Statement: I am a product of Three Points, Medina, Chinook, and BHS. I've seen Medina change and grow over the years. I remember the creaky floorboards of the Green Store, jumping off the rocks at Medina Beach, and swimming along the docks where the Gates' house now stands. Medina has changed from the quaint neighborhood to a more developed community. Whether it is the noisy gas leaf blowers or speeding bicyclists, some change is good while some may not be.

I want to get back to a sense of community, like being able to politley disagree with each other or picking up garbage we see. Medina is special and we should all come together as a community to keep it that way.

Medina has been my home from as long as I can remember. I hope I can count on your vote for City Council of this amazing city.

#### Council Position No. 7

# Dan Becker

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Education: BS in Construction Management

Occupation: Capital Projects Construction Project Manager

**Statement:** My wife and I have lived and raised our family in Medina for over 35 years and enjoy the unique character of our city. I want to promote this quality for future generations; for that reason, I am asking for your support and vote.

Working with public agencies in the region for over 30 years and over 11 years of service to Medina, I will bring a balanced approach as we develop priorities working through responsible budgets, update our Comprehensive Plan and more. When I left the Council in 2003, Medina had a healthy fiscal reserve even after eliminating utility taxes. We are now paying utility taxes and levy to balance our budget.

As I have in the past, I look forward to input from citizens, the Council, and city staff as we work collaboratively to set the future direction of Medina as I advocate for responsive and responsible government.

# Randy Reeves

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Education: Bachelor of Arts, English Literature, University of Washington Occupation: Real estate since 1984, Medina Planning Commission since 2013 Statement: Along with my wife, two kids, and dogs, I appreciate everything that makes our city special, including our St. Thomas School community. Regional change will demand hard work to maintain Medina's character, livability and beauty.

I strongly support our police and first responders. Funding for public safety and essential services must be maintained through fiscal prudence and discipline. We can achieve real progress to make Medina an even better place for generations to come. As a Planning Commissioner (two terms as Chairperson) I have a reputation for thoughtful, transparent, and collaborative solutions. Updating our Comprehensive Plan is just the beginning. Let's make smart investments in shared priorities. Create incentives for green building practices. Underground utilities. Mitigate noise. Strengthen Emergency Preparedness. Protect and enhance our parks and historical buildings.

Endorsed by *all* current Planning Commissioners and City Council members including our Mayor and Deputy Mayor. I respectfully ask for your vote.

# **Daniel Becker**

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**Education:** Valedictorian, MIHS (2001); BA, Business Administration, University of Washington (2005, with Distinction)

Occupation: Owner, Kotis Design, 170 employees

**Statement:** As a longtime islander, I value Mercer Island's strengths and am extremely hopeful for our future. I'm excited to bring my professional skills of innovation, efficiency, and problem solving to City Council while championing decency, integrity, and independence. My husband and I want our son to be proud of where he lives.

Parks: Secure funding for well-maintained parks, thriving recreational programs, and an active Community Center. Vibrant Town Center: Work with businesses to provide great retail and services for residents, particularly seniors and families. Public Safety: Maintain local control and excellence in emergency services. Infrastructure: Prioritize critical safety and maintenance work including sewers, roads, and non-motorized safety projects. Sustainability: Ensure resilience against climate challenges.

Endorsements: Former Mayors Judy Clibborn, Alan Merkle, Elliot Newman; Councilmember Craig Reynolds; Current/Former School Board Directors Maggie Tai Tucker, Tam Dinh, Deborah Lurie, Tracy Drinkwater, Adair Dingle; Planning Commissioners Friedman, Goodman, Boatsman; and many more...

# Salim Nice

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**Education:** B.A. Seattle University; Mercer Island School System K-12 **Occupation:** President & CEO, Healthcare Reimbursement Solutions; Mercer Island City Council

**Statement:** As a second-generation Islander, parent and current Councilmember, I greatly appreciate our community.

I have served on Council since 2017 and have the government, executive and technical experience necessary to evaluate decisions impacting our schools, neighborhoods and character of Mercer Island.

I will work to fully fund MIYFS School Counselors, protect and grow our Parks & Open Spaces, and provide affordable housing opportunities, especially with seniors in mind. I will continue to negotiate the best outcomes for our community, recognizing we are in a rapidly growing region, ensuring our Town Center, Parks and public spaces remain safe and thriving for all to enjoy. It is an honor to serve our community and to earn the endorsement of my fellow Councilmembers. I ask for your vote and support. Endorsements: Mayor Benson Wong; Deputy Mayor Wendy Weiker; Councilmembers David Rosenbaum, Jake Jacobson, Lisa Anderl; Former Councilmembers Dan Grausz, Jeff Sanderson, David Wisenteiner.

#### Council Position No. 4

# Michael D. Curry

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**Education:** US Army, BS in Business Western International University (summa cum laude)

**Occupation:** Technologist/Consultant, Youth Basketball and Football Coach

**Statement:** Honor, Integrity, Selfless Service. These are the qualities I will bring to the Council when elected by the citizens of Mercer Island. My wife (native Mercer Islander) and I relocated to Mercer Island to allow our boys to experience one of the best public school systems in the nation, the tranquility and secure feeling that a small island brings, and the close-knit community unique to Mercer Island.

I will work hard with the Council and city management to ensure that regional politics are minimized. I will be your voice on the Council. My priorities are public safety - supporting first response teams, fiscal responsibility, transportation advocacy putting Mercer Island first, and preservation of our unique and beautiful parks system.

I am honored to have been endorsed by my local community members. I will work hard for you and your family and humbly ask you to vote for Michael Curry.

# **Ted Weinberg**

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Education: MBA, University of Washington; Bachelor of Architecture, University of Virginia; MIHS class of 1986

**Occupation:** Portfolio and Resource Manager, Information Technology Department, City of Seattle

**Statement:** Leveraging 30 years' experience in the public and private sectors, I have a passion for listening to community members and crafting effective solutions. I will prioritize maintaining local control of public safety, ensuring first responders have the resources they need, protecting and expanding parks, working with neighboring cities to address homelessness, and strengthening our business community.

A 40-year Islander, I have had the honor to serve on the Planning Commission since 2017, working through complex issues including the comprehensive plan and critical areas ordinance. As the Seattle IT Portfolio Manager, I lead the inter-departmental committee selecting and prioritizing strategic technology initiatives achieving both innovation and greater efficiency.

I will serve our community with integrity, compassion, and dedication. I humbly ask for your vote. Endorsements: Legislators Wellman, Senn; Council Members Wong, Weiker, Reynolds, Rosenbaum; School Board Members Lurie, D'Souza, Tucker, Dinh, Giannini-Upton; former Mayors Bertlin, Merkle, Clibborn, Newman: MI FireFighters Association.

# Kate Akyuz

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**Education:** Bachelor's, Urban Forestry, UW; Master's, Forest and Ecosystem Science, State University of New York

**Occupation:** Capital Project Manager, King County Natural Resources/Parks; Girl Scout Leader

**Statement:** As an environmental scientist, mother, and volunteer, I'm running for City Council because I want to ensure our Council reflects our shared community values. We can work better together.

My priorities are fully funding MI Youth and Family Services, protecting parks, diversifying housing options for middle income workers and seniors wanting to downsize, timely replacement of our water system to ensure safe drinking water, and creating a shared community vision for a vibrant, safe town center. I support our Fire Department and will oppose outsourcing control to much larger departments like Bellevue or Eastside Fire.

Endorsements: King County Democrats, Mercer Island Firefighters, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Senator Lisa Wellman, Representatives Tana Senn & My-Linh Thai, former Representative Judy Clibborn, County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, City Councilmembers Dave Rosenbaum, Wendy Weiker, Craig Reynolds, and many more. But the endorsement that matters most is yours. I hope I can count on your vote.

# Lisa Anderl

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**Education:** BA in Italian Studies Gonzaga University; JD Gonzaga University School of Law (summa cum laude)

Occupation: Attorney; Councilmember, Mercer Island City Council Statement: As a 22-year resident of Mercer Island, I'm honored to serve on our Council. During my tenure, my colleagues and I worked with the City Manager to lead the City away from predicted financial crisis into financial surplus. City departments have been restructured; the City is now operating more efficiently. My priorities remain the same: strong support for law enforcement and public safety; prudent financial management; transportation advocacy for Island residents – holding Sound Transit to its promises; preservation of parks and open spaces, and single-family neighborhoods.

I will continue to advocate for our community's needs, as I did when I voted to maintain funding for school counselors and protect our parks. I'm also looking at opportunities to enhance retail in Town Center.

I'm proud to be endorsed by local community members, including Councilmembers Nice and Jacobson, not off-island interests. I will work hard for you - please vote Lisa!

# Jim Quigg

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Education: Seattle University (BA), Seattle Univ. Law School (JD) Occupation: Telecom PM, Newcastle Planning Commissioner Statement: Our family moved to Newcastle because we love the smalltown feel, natural beauty, and safe neighborhoods. If you visit my website, you'll see my children's video about what makes Newcastle so special. If you attend an event in Newcastle, you'll see me volunteering. And if you vote for me, you'll see more Safe Streets, Low Taxes, and Community Values.

As my HOA's President, I have worked hard to keep our neighborhood safe, beautiful, and friendly. We've added 36 security lights, 5 trees, and 2 benches without raising anyone's dues.

I will work every day to make you proud to live in Newcastle. I will strengthen our regional partnerships and respect what you care about: fiscal responsibility, transparency, sustainability, balanced budgets, critical infrastructure, and public safety. Just like the trails that connect our safe neighborhoods and parks, we will build relationships that connect our diverse community without raising anyone's taxes.

# Pratima Lakhotia

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**Education:** MBA Finance, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Bachelor of Law, Diploma in Taxation, Law College, India.

**Occupation:** Former Finance professional at Microsoft, President of a nonprofit, Consultant

Statement: I am a long-time resident in the Newcastle Reserve, running to create a new fiscally responsible city council majority that respects your pocketbook. I bring 20+ years of financial management, strategy, and budgeting experience at Fortune 500 companies, including Microsoft, T-Mobile. I currently run a nonprofit serving our community, engaging over 1900 volunteers.

The current council majority balances the budget with Reserve Funds. I will balance the budget by prioritizing expenditures for essential public safety and the maintenance of our critical infrastructure. I supported repealing the regressive utility taxes and will reinstate the fiscal policy requiring the city manager to present to the city council a balanced budget without new taxes or new debt.

Please vote for me to create a new fiscally responsible city council majority with Robert Clark and Frank Irigon. Endorsements: Present and former councilmembers Dave Mitchell, Tom Griffin, Bill Erxleben, Gordon Bisset, John Drescher, Tamra Kammin.

#### Council Position No. 6

# Paul Charbonneau

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**Education:** Occidental College, BA-Political Science. Public Policy Fellow, University of Michigan. Hazen High School.

**Occupation:** Program Manager, National Alliance on Mental Illness. Assistant Coach, Hazen.

**Statement:** A resident since 1999, I'm running as Newcastle's first Councilmember raised in our city to be the strong advocate our community needs as King County changes. I've organized politically and advocated for mental health at the national, state, and local levels, and will bring this experience to Newcastle.

Our council has not lobbied the legislature for its share of state funds. I'll fight for us to get every dollar we can to relieve the financial burden on our residents. I'll look past local polarization; working with our school districts and supporting public safety. I've already started building strong relationships that will move our city forward.

Endorsements: State-electeds Lisa Wellman, My-Linh Thai, Tana Senn, Marcie Maxwell, Steve Bergquist, David Hackney. Mayor Linda Newing. Councilmembers Tony Ventrella, Ariana Sherlock, Tom Magers, Jean Garber, Carol Simpson, Claudia Hirschey. School-Board Shelby Scovel, Pam Teal, Marnie Maraldo, Avanti Bergquist, Gloria Hodge.

# Frank Irigon

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**Education:** BA and MSW (Community and Organizational Services), University of Washington

Occupation: Retired Social Services Administrator, U.S. Army Veteran Statement: Newcastle is home since before incorporation. I am concerned about the change in the city's fiscal policy from a balanced budget with revenues on hand to one that relies on new taxes. This has got to change and I can do it. I was executive director of several non-profits and served on various boards. On the Renton Technical College Board of Trustees, I oversaw a \$25M+ budget for the education of a large and diverse student body. In 2020, I secured a \$25,000 government

My priorities: public safety, providing essential city services, maintenance of parks and trails, and a balanced budget. I support sustainable development with affordable housing without compromising the environment or our quality of life. I will serve you as honorably as I served the US Army.

Endorsements: Present and Past Councilmembers Tom Griffin, Dave Mitchell, John Drescher, Bill Erxleben, Gordon Bisset and APACE.

### **Robert Clark**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, Colorado School of Mines

**Occupation:** Plant Electrical Engineer, former maintenance and production supervisor, Nucor Steel

**Statement:** I am a veteran and proud 15-year Newcastle resident. Last year, I helped lead the fight against new utility taxes. With your help, we decisively repealed them! I'm running because Newcastle needs a fiscally responsible council majority for long-term sustainability. I'll focus on prioritizing spending for public safety and maintenance of critical infrastructure. Over three decades of leadership, engineering and project experience gives me the skills to do the job for you.

Newcastle must balance the budget. City expenditures must be less than revenue. I'll require the city manager to present a balanced budget without new taxes. The tax and spend council majority increases our taxes to pay for unfunded capital projects and for consultant recommendations they ignore.

I'll value your money and treat you with respect. I humbly ask for your vote. Endorsements: Present and past councilmembers Dave Mitchell, Tom Griffin, Tamra Kammin, Bill Erxleben, Gordon Bisset, John Drescher.

# Jesse Tam

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**Education:** Bachelor, BA, Boise State University; MBA Finance, City University; Pacific Coast Banking School, UW

Occupation: Retired Banking Executive and Business Strategic Consultant

Statement: As Newcastle resident for 20+ years, I'm inspired by our city's beauty and quality of life. As Newcastle continues to grow, we're faced with new challenges in providing public services and opportunities – to uplift our diverse community and invest in parks, infrastructure, and safety. I am committed to maintaining and building a better, stronger city – leading with accountability and inclusion to create an accessible, transparent, effective local government for all residents.

I'm uniquely prepared to bring my decades of proven experience as a financial business leader, along with my record of local volunteering and community engagement, to represent our values and make progress in setting priorities. I'm a problem-solver, who will listen to neighbors, collaborate with regional stakeholders and businesses, and advocate for the City where we all can succeed and feel welcome. Thank you for your vote.

Endorsements: Governor Gary Locke, IAFF 1604, other local leaders.



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# **Steve Fields**

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**Education:** BS, Accounting, San Diego State University. Certified Government Management and Administration

**Occupation:** Government Finance and Operations Manager. Redmond Business Owner, City Councilmember

**Statement:** Four years ago, I brought my real-world experience in finance, infrastructure, and environmental protection to City Council. Working with a renewed Council that responds to you, I declared a Climate Emergency, championed the building of a new Senior Center, improved financial policies, and rallied support for our community and small businesses during COVID.

With your help, we can accomplish more. I will continue to work for a community-driven and inclusive approach to growth management, sensible use of taxpayer dollars, climate change mitigation, and an equitable community for everyone. It's been my pleasure and honor to represent you and lead Redmond toward a healthier, sustainable future. I appreciate your vote!

Endorsements: King County Democrats; 48th LD; Women of Color in Politics; Democrats for Diversity and Inclusion; Sierra Club; State Senators Patty Kuderer and Joe Nguyen; State Representative Jamila Taylor; Councilmembers Jessica Forsythe and Varisha Khan; former Mayor Rosemaire Ives; and more.

# Janet Richards

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**Education:** BA Theology and Management Information Systems, Ambassador University

**Occupation:** Project Management Consultant, Redmond Human Services Vice Chair, Business Owner

**Statement:** Redmond thrives when everyone thrives. To achieve this, I'll bring thoughtful collaboration and inclusive leadership to council, so we balance growth targets with addressing climate change and income disparities, ensure a strong post-Covid recovery, and maintain safe community for everyone. By using our collective strengths and crafting solutions for the future, we will prosper.

As human services commissioner, I prioritized funding to support our diverse community, particularly during Covid. I'm a 12-year Redmond resident, mother of three, member of Redmond PD's Community Equity Action Team, and serve on Children's Health Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Council. The next four years will transform Redmond into a major transportation hub. I'll work to retain our unique charm, while welcoming the new opportunities and diverse people this will bring.

Endorsements: Redmond Mayor Birney; Former Mayor Marchione; Councilmembers Carson, Kritzer, Padhye; 45th Dems; Representatives Goodman 45th and Walen 48th: Eastside Business Alliance: and many community members.

#### Council Position No. 4

# Melissa Stuart

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**Education:** Master of Non-Profit Leadership, Seattle University; BA Communication & BA Political Science, Washington State University

**Occupation:** Development Director, Boys & Girls Clubs; Former Redmond Library Trustee

**Statement:** I'm running for city council because I believe Redmond can be a great place to live for *all.* I will ensure that every person can have their voice heard. I will collaborate with city leaders to invest in climate change mitigation today and resiliency for what is to come tomorrow.

To council, I'll bring my years of experience breaking down barriers for youth and families; including my work at Youth Eastside Services to secure affordable behavioral healthcare for all families, and at Treehouse to promote education success for youth in foster care. I am a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer, former Sound Transit/Metro Sounding Board member, and former Zero Waste Washington Board Member.

Endorsements: 45th and 48th LD Democrats; National Women's Caucus; Sierra Club; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Congresswoman DelBene; Representatives Slatter, Walen; Mayor Birney; Council President Padhye, Councilmember Kritzer; Former Mayor Marchione; Former Councilmembers Allen, Margeson, McCormick, Shutz, Tomac, Vaché

# **Dennis Ellis**

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**Education:** Gonzaga University, Bachelor Business Administration; Seattle University, Master in Science of Finance

Occupation: Senior Financial Analyst, The Boeing Company

Statement: I have been a resident of Redmond for nearly 30 years and love our city. It has been truly amazing to be a part of Redmond's transformation from a relatively small town to a still growing, beautiful city. However, as is the case many times, with growth comes some unintended consequences: traffic gridlock, urban planning miscues, and the demise of many small businesses in the community.

As your council member, I will bring my small business, finance, and corporate experiences to serve the people of Redmond and help solve these issues. Additionally, I will do everything in my power to provide city services to all as cost effectively as possible.

Finally, I proudly served my country in the military and took an oath to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States". I promise to take the same approach in serving our city. Thanks for your support.

# Tara Van Niman

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**Education:** BA International Relations, UC Davis; MBA International Business, Thunderbird School of Global Management

Occupation: Project Manager/Senior Network Planning Engineer, AT&T, 25 years

**Statement:** Redmond deserves a city council that works together for all residents. I have raised three children in Redmond, built deep connections across our community, and consistently been an effective advocate for our schools, parks, and public spaces. I am passionate about engaging youth in policymaking and have led efforts to engage dozens of teens in local politics.

I will be a voice of reason and cooperation on the council – ensuring members are accountable and responsive to community members. My professional experience has trained me to collaborate and drive measurable results. I will focus on better solutions for affordable housing, climate change, and public safety to build an even more vibrant city for all.

Endorsed by: 45th LD Democrats, Senator Dhingra, Representatives Goodman and Springer, Redmond Mayor Birney, former Mayor Marchione, Councilmembers Kritzer, Padhye and Carson, LWSD Board member Bliesner, and Eastside Business Alliance. I ask for your vote.

# Jeralee Anderson

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**Education:** PhD, University of Washington, Civil & Environmental Engineering; Certificates in Business Administration, Diversity & Inclusion

**Occupation:** City Council Vice President; President/CEO Greenroads Foundation; Beagle Rescue Volunteer

Statement: As a construction engineer and social entrepreneur, I help build sustainable communities around the world. I bring integrity, an open mind, and practical experience to the Council. I care about smart growth, environmental protection, community health, and good governance. Last term, I helped bring clean energy to city operations. I worked collaboratively to ensure effective stewardship of tax dollars. At all levels of government, I served as your champion for access to reliable transportation, broadband, and clean water.

As we restore the economy, I will advocate for housing equity, small businesses, living wages, and innovative technology. I will promote programs that provide connection, healing, and happiness. Together, we will enhance public safety, create job opportunities, and develop a thriving city! Thank you for your vote!

Sole Endorsements: Redmond Firefighters, Washington Conservation Voters, Washington Housing Alliance, Affordable Housing Council, Senator Patty Kuderer, King County and Young Democrats. LD48 Democrats. and more



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#### Council Position No. 1

# **James Alberson**

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**Education:** BS in Computer Technology - Purdue University; MBA with Marketing Concentration - Purdue University

**Occupation:** Current Renton Planning Commissioner; Business Owner and President, Sandler Training

**Statement:** More than ever, we need leaders with a common-sense approach, strong resolve, and an innate sense of fairness, honesty, and responsibility. As a Renton Planning Commissioner and small business owner, my experience will help me address our community's biggest challenges and deliver results. My priorities are to keep Renton as a prosperous city, a community of opportunity, a safe place to live, and a strong regional player.

We must ensure that Renton's growth positively impacts each individual and family. Coming out of the pandemic, it's paramount that we make commonsense decisions to ensure a strong economic recovery, bring in more strong businesses and high-quality jobs, reduce crime and homelessness, increase affordability, and ensure inclusion and opportunities for all Renton residents.

Endorsements: Mayor Armondo Pavone, Fmr. Mayor Denis Law, Renton Councilmembers Randy Corman, Ruth Perez, and Valerie O'Halloran; Fmr. Councilmembers Don Persson and Marcie Palmer; SEIU 775, and many more.

# Joe Todd

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**Education:** Double Major Business and Computer Information Science; Troy University, 1996 – 2000

Occupation: Deputy Chief Technology Officer King, County, WA Statement: As we recover from the pandemic, we need leaders who will ensure Renton comes back stronger than we were before. An active volunteer in our community, I also bring 20 years of experience as an innovator and business leader with a background in aerospace, software development, and local government.

I will prioritize policies that support our local economy, keep housing affordable and maintain our community, celebrate our beauty and diversity, and maintain safety for all -- especially seniors and other vulnerable populations.

When my wife and I moved here over 20 years ago, we specifically chose Renton because of all the opportunities this city represented to us. I still believe in the opportunity that Renton represents, and with your support, I will work every day to ensure the people of our city have the ability to thrive. Endorsed by Councilmember Ed Prince and many other local leaders and organizations.

### Carmen Rivera

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**Education:** Master's, University of Liverpool, UK; Bachelor's, Seattle University; Lindbergh High School, Nelsen Middle School

**Occupation:** Educator at Seattle University, Former Caseworker for King County

**Statement:** I am running for City Council because we need decisive leadership to ensure Renton is a place where everyone has an opportunity to thrive.

As someone who was born and raised in Renton, and experienced our region's growth and change, I know we need to be proactive in responding to our community's needs. We must address the housing crisis and infrastructure concerns, support our small businesses, and work to ensure everyone feels safe. I will listen to what our community wants, and actively seek input from those I hope to serve.

My partner and I hope to raise a family here. We see so much opportunity, and I want to continue to give back to the city that raised me. With your vote, we can work together to make sure Renton remains a place where everyone has the opportunity to achieve their dreams. Sole endorsement by the King County Democrats.

# Ben Johnson

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**Education:** Bellevue College - Background in Physics and Distributed Computing

Occupation: Small Business Owner – IT Support Zap Clean Energy Fusion Statement: Twenty years ago, our family chose Renton as our hometown to raise our three young boys. I've served on the City of Renton Airport Committee, worked successfully to save our Renton Library, supported the Renton Street Trees initiative, and run a small business through difficult times

I believe in working collaboratively for practical solutions. Together, we can improve public safety to reduce criminal activity; promote job and neighborhood growth that enhances Renton's character; support our parks, trails, and public art; and make sure Renton gets our fair share of State and Sound Transit funding. I'm committed to listening, understanding, and ensuring that everyone feels safe and is free from discrimination based on any aspect of who we are.

Endorsements: Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone, Former Renton Mayors Denis Law and Kathy Keolker; current and former Renton Council Members Randy Corman, Don Persson, Valerie O'Halloran, Marcie Palmer, Carol Ann Witschi, and more.

#### Council Position No. 6

# **Ruth Perez**

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**Education:** Master's Degree in Business Administration, Bachelor's Degree in Communication Science, Advance Certificate of Municipal Leadership.

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

Occupation: Renton City Councilmember and small business owner. Statement: Seven years ago I was honored to be elected to the Renton City Council. As your councilmember, I have worked hard to ensure Renton remains a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family.

As we work to rebuild our economy after the pandemic, I am committed to leading Renton into our next chapter building a collaborative environment. Our city has been blessed with tremendous energy and prosperity but now it faces many challenges requiring strong leadership and commitment to develop smart policy solutions. As a Renton City Councilmember, I will continue prioritizing on issues that truly impact our residents' everyday lives – working to ensure a strong economy, bringing more jobs, reducing crime and homelessness, supporting inclusive polices, tackling our city's transportation and traffic issues, expanding access to housing, and balancing a sustainable municipal budget.

I appreciate your continued support.

# Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1

# Jessica Giner

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts (cum laude), Seattle University; Juris Doctorate, Seattle University School of Law

Occupation: City of Renton Municipal Court Judge

Statement: Judge Giner was appointed by Mayor Pavone and the members of Renton's City Council to serve as Municipal Court Judge in March 2021. With 15 years of balanced legal experience and prior service as a Judge Pro Tem in a dozen courts, Judge Giner is a knowledgeable and equitable decision-maker and has been rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" by the King County Bar Association. She has also received high ratings from six minority bar associations.

A native of South King County, Judge Giner is active with Renton's Rotary and Chamber of Commerce and coaches a high school Mock Trial team.

Endorsed by: National Women's Political Caucus of Washington; Aerospace Machinists (IAM 751); King County Democrats; 11th, 33rd, 37th, and 41st District Democrats; Democrats for Diversity & Inclusion; Mayor Armondo Pavone; Former Mayor Denis Law; Retired Judge Charles Delaurenti and more than 40 area judges

### Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2

# Kara Murphy Richards

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**Education:** Saint Mary's College, B.A. University of Notre Dame Law School, JD

Occupation: Renton Municipal Court, Presiding Judge

Statement: Judge Kara Murphy Richards looks forward to continuing to serve the citizens of Renton as the court's Presiding Judge. Appointed in 2019 by Mayor Law (Ret.) to start Renton's first Community Court, Kara has a public service career that spans more than 30 years. She has served as a Social Worker, Probation Officer, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate, Prosecuting Attorney and Judge Pro Tem. Prior to her appointment, Kara's eleven years of service in Renton illustrate her commitment to this community.

Kara and her husband Craig live in the Renton Highlands. They have six adult children, five grandkids and two beloved dogs. A former board member for Mary's Place and Athletes for Kids, Kara also spent time in Renton Rotary, coaching Mock Trial at a local high school, teaching Divorce Care, supporting local programs for homeless women and children and doing public speaking on a variety of topics.

# **Amy Lam**

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**Education:** Master's degree (MFA), Yale University; Bachelor's degree, Brandeis University

**Occupation:** Creative Director, MOHAI (Seattle's Museum of History & Industry); Educator

**Statement:** A proud Democrat, I am a first generation Asian-American born and raised in Michigan. For 9 years I was a stay-at-home mom before returning to the corporate world. As a single parent, I balanced my career with caring for young children and tending to aging parents.

I have lived in Sammamish for 26 years. Balancing growth while protecting the natural environment remains a serious challenge. I advocate for sustainable development using data, new technologies, and support from industry experts. We must protect our environment through strict enforcement of tree canopy codes and fight climate change by creating a Climate Action plan. To strengthen our local economy and to provide a lower cost internet option, I support bringing municipal broadband (high speed fiber) to our community.

Sammamish is diverse and our leadership should reflect those demographics. Working together we can continue to be one of the "best small cities in America."

# Josh Amato

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**Education:** Attended DeVry University

**Occupation:** Small business owner; Sammamish Planning Commissioner; PAWS Board Member; Rotarian

Statement: We must protect the natural beauty that drew us all to Sammamish. As your councilmember, I will defend against the unsustainable growth and overdevelopment that has harmed our city. I will build the roads and infrastructure we need to end congestion and improve safety. I will push back against the hyper-partisanship that has plagued our country and is making its way into local government.

As your Planning Commissioner, I have a record of championing development regulations to protect our bedroom community and supporting stricter penalties for developers who break the rules. I will be a good steward of your tax dollars by insisting on a balanced, sustainable budget — just as I do as a successful business owner.

I have the experience, work ethic, and relationships in Sammamish and throughout the region to get results for you as your councilmember. I humbly ask for your vote.

#### Council Position No. 3

# Karen Moran

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**Education:** AA in Nursing, University of Wisconsin; BA in Accounting, Griffin College

Occupation: Small Business Owner, Accountant

Statement: I am passionate about continuing to defend our residents against over development. As current mayor,, I am clear on why Sammamish is called "the best small city in America". I have a proven record of promoting actions and policies in keeping it that way. As a resident, you have seen what out-of-control development, without corresponding infrastructure, isdoing to our beautiful city. Overcrowded schools, increased traffic delays and overburdened sewage system are all symptoms of over development. I will continue to fight ceaselessly for you; to right these wrongs, stop clearcutting, protect our waterways, and wildlife habitat.

As an accountant/business owner, I have depth of knowledge in how to make best use of tax dollars to benefit our residents. During my term on council, Sammamish has slowed unfettered development, earned top credit ratings, enjoyed top Police/fire, addressed development that would forever change the city that we love.

#### Nazir Harb Michel

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No statement submitted.

# Kali Clark

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Education: BS in Environmental Science, Regis University; Masters in Environmental Engineering, University of Washington

Occupation: Senior Emergency Manager, Sound Transit

Statement: I am running for City Council to deliver the effective, forward-thinking leadership Sammamish deserves. At this critical time, we need leaders with the proven ability to identify future challenges, develop solutions through community engagement, and bridge divides to drive progress and bring neighbors together.

As our city and region continue to grow, I'll focus on maintaining quality of life, safety, and our environment, while ensuring regional progress on homelessness, local economic development, and affordable, walkable neighborhoods. Working to reduce traffic congestion and take climate action, my experience as a transportation leader and forestry expert will help expand transit access, enhance parks, and improve infrastructure.

I'll bring our Sammamish values and priorities to the council, developing an agenda that supports our community, addresses local needs, and gives neighbors a seat at the table. I ask for your vote. Proudly endorsed by King County Democrats, 5th, 41st, and 45th LD Democrats.

### Rich Benack

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Education: B.S. Mathematics, University of Illinois; M.S. Geography, University of Nebraska; M.S. Criminal Justice, Michigan State

Occupation: Cybersecurity Professional, Hypnotherapist, Private

Investigator, Retired Military Officer

Statement: I am highly concerned with the increase in traffic, longer commute times and delays getting around town that we have all experienced because of overdevelopment on the Plateau. I will oppose any new development that does not have sufficient infrastructure to support it.

Having worked in public safety, I understand the importance of focusing on crime and public safety. We need to provide our 1st responders with the proper resources to continue to keep us all safe.

Being on the Human Services Commission has shown me the importance of understanding the needs of our youth and senior citizens and providing sufficient access to mental health services. Once elected, I am prepared from day one to focus on the important issues, policies and plans impacting Sammamish. My experience working with local and federal government organizations as well as city staff will be critical in helping me to serve you better.

#### Council Position No. 7

# **Melanie Kelsey**

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Education: B.A Business, University of Puget Sound; MS Finance, Seattle University

Occupation: Sr. Business Program Manager, Microsoft

Statement: Are you frustrated by the clear cutting of our beautiful city to benefit developers? Outraged with your kids constantly learning in portables because our schools are so overcrowded? Dismayed at the disappearance of wildlife as we bulldoze their land and replace it with concrete? I am. I'll fight to ensure that the city we call home retains the charm and uniqueness that we all love.

Are you concerned that previous councils have spent down our reserves and operated under "deficit budgeting" for years? I am. I'll work to enact a balanced budget that pays for the needs of our city (infrastructure, stormwater, parks) in a fiscally responsible manner as I did in the many years of corporate and government budgeting.

I will fight against over-development and for a balanced budget, improved infrastructure, our environment, schools, fellow wildlife, and the residents of Sammamish. I humbly ask for your vote.

# Karen Howe

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Education: Bachelors from Whitman College; Stanford Graduate School of Business Executive Education, Marketing

Occupation: Marketing Executive, SammamishFriends.org President, King County Children/Youth Advisory Board

Statement: As a Sammamish neighbor for 30 years, I want our city to remain an incredible place to live, work, and raise a family. As a former tech CEO with 20+ years of executive experience, I manage with transparency and accountability. As an advocate for children and our environment, I am committed to our city's future. I'm running for city council because we need a fresh, data-driven perspective to drive action on services we care about most.

Endorsed by local and regional elected leaders and conservation groups, I will collaborate to ensure Sammamish is a community where our teachers, first responders, young families, and retirees can live and thrive.

I will prioritize diverse housing linked by convenient public transport, walking and cycling infrastructure, and support for our business community. With your support, I'll put my decades of management, advocacy, service and leadership to work to build a livable Sammamish.

# Michelle Evans

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**Education:** B.A. Business Administrations, University of Washington 1996, Masters Programs Northwestern, Duke & Stanford

Occupation: Business Owner, Founder + Principal Accelaris Consulting Statement: Whether you're a long-time resident or new to Woodinville, there's one thing you've probably noticed: Woodinville is growing fast. I've lived here for 14 years. During that time, we've seen traffic get worse while development increases with no clear plan to improve congestion, parking or connecting neighborhoods via sidewalks and trails.

Let's work together to *build Woodinville better*. My goal is to build an inclusive and accessible 21st century city, making Woodinville a great place to live, work and play *both now and for the next generation*. I commit to be transparent, inclusive and responsive in representing *all* Woodinville residents and business owners. My vision includes expanding sidewalks, bike lanes, mass transit, affordable housing, park improvements and electric charging stations along with supporting business owners and protecting R1 zones.

*Trusted and endorsed by:* 45th Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus of Washington and Moms Demand Action Gun Sense Candidate.

# **Phil Mark**

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**Education:** BA in History, minor in Political Science, University at Albany **Occupation:** Woodinville Councilmember Position 1, Radio and newspaper Sales, Marketing, Consulting

**Statement:** My family and I have been Woodinville residents for over 20 years. I found myself passionately advocating for this charming, growing community ever since. Having visited many locales around the world, Woodinville is clearly one of the best places to raise a family, and to retire and enjoy all the amenities.

As your seated Councilmember in Position 1, my priorities are: ensuring Woodinville is not selected for the next King County Transfer Station; managing quality sustainable growth responsibly; setting up an Emergency Preparedness program; being responsive to constituent safety concerns; maintaining existing neighborhood zoning; work on mixed -use trails and parks.

I am truly honored and excited to be part of this Council, and look forward to doing my part to fulfill the vision of Woodinville's 20 year Comprehensive Plan. I respectfully ask for your Vote in the November election to continue moving Woodinville forward!

#### Council Position No. 3

# **Robin Lynn White**

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**Education:** BS Biochemistry, Arizona State University; MS Forensic Science, National University; Biotechnology Project Management, UW

**Occupation:** Product Manager- Treatment Guidance, Biodesix; Former Project Manager, Lab Researcher

Statement: I am running for office to promote positive change and be an active listener of the public to ensure they are heard and represented. I strive for transparent actions that benefit everyone and alienate no one; even when we disagree, we must collaborate to do the greatest good for the greatest number of people. I value decision-making based on examination of all angles and keeping the public's viewpoint at the forefront.

I bring a fresh vision for challenges facing Woodinville while preserving what we love about it most. I commit to tackling issues like traffic & transit, housing solutions, environment & land protection, small business support. I have called Woodinville home since 2014 and will contribute to an inclusive, welcoming city we are all proud of. Thank you for your vote.

Endorsements: 45th District Democrats, King County Democrats, King County Young Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus of Washington, Sierra Club

# Rachel Best-Campbell

supporter. My love for Woodinville runs deep.

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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Human Biology, Stanford University **Occupation:** Woodinville City Councilmember and Community Organizer **Statement:** My family has lived in Woodinville for 20 years. My son attended Wellington, Leota and is now at Woodinville High School. I've volunteered for all 3 schools and am an avid WHS cross country

As your Councilmember I championed safe walking routes around the community, supported sustainable development, and assisted businesses and people during the pandemic. I spearheaded construction of hiking trails in Greenbrier and Wood Trails to provide green spaces for everyone.

I will work with the council and staff to improve traffic flow as part of the redevelopment process without sacrificing the unique character of our neighborhoods. I will continue my work on the Climate Action committee to drive local change. My top priorities will include modernizing the city permitting process to be more customer centric and responsive to the needs of our community. I humbly ask for your vote.

# Michael Millman

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**Education:** Fire science and Fire Command Bellevue College **Occupation:** Current Councilmember and retired Fire Captain

**Statement:** Serving on the City Planning Commission and the valuable experience I have gained as your current Councilmember will allow me to continue to effectively and collaboratively move our city forward. We need to be be proactive and cost effective in managing our growth and I will work hard for that goal.

On the City Council I co-founded the Climate Action Committee and as Vice Chair of the Woodinville Fire District I decreased your taxes and improved your service.

For 29 years Michelle and I have lived in and I raised our family in Woodinville. I am passionate about continuing to serve you and providing leadership for the future of Woodinville. Years of experience as a small business owner, 28 years as Fire Station Captain, a decade of volunteer coaching, volunteering for local charities and community involvement has provided great experience and a desire to continue serving our great City.

#### Council Position No. 5

# Jesse DeGroff

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**Education:** BS International Studies (Business), Minors in French & Communications - Brigham Young

**Occupation:** Franchise & Small Business Owner/Consultant, General Contractor, Trimlight/Windor Products Distributor

**Statement:** As a resident since 2007, I love the trees, parks, and people of Woodinville and appreciate all the unique things that make it a great place to raise a my family, to work, to live and to play.

We now have decisions to make together on how we grow, protect our upcoming generations, and preserve the beauty of the city. Let's protect the greenery of the plants and trees, streams and lakes, and parks within and around city limits. Uninfluenced by outside jurisdictions and groups, we, the community, are who should decide the future of our community.

I'm excited to focus on infrastructure needs in building and planning and growing properly through budgets and projects. We need to support local businesses, religious and social groups, and our law enforcement/emergency services. You can count on me to get things done and keep Woodinville a great place to live. I'm listening.

#### Sarah Arndt

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**Education:** B.A. in History UNCC, M.A. in Teaching WIU, Ph.D. in History Trinity College Dublin

Occupation: Vice Chair Woodinville Public Spaces Commission

**Statement:** Sarah's interest in serving on the City Council comes from a deep desire to see her community thrive and her confidence that she can make a meaningful contribution to the city.

Woodinville is growing and now is the time to manage that growth well. As a City Councilmember, Sarah is committed to increasing our transportation options and infrastructure, protecting our beautiful natural environment, and increasing the availability of affordable housing in the city center. She will invest in collaborative relationships with fellow councilmembers and work to ensure that the city government is transparent and responsive to the interests of all city residents and small businesses.

Sarah is an active member of the Woodinville community, serving the city on the Public Spaces Commission, volunteering with the Northshore PACE program, and has served on several local boards. Endorsements: 45th LD Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus, Sierra Club, and many Woodinville residents.

# James Randolph

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**Education:** Bachelors of Science in Computer Science, Southern

University

Occupation: Engineering Manager

Statement: Like many during the pandemic, I reevaluated my priorities and what's important. Priorities for my family and where we live are part of my inspiration for running. Woodinville needs to reaffirm long-term plans that will help us engage in socially and environmentally conscious growth, manage our traffic, and maintain the unique character in our existing neighborhoods and Sammamish Valley farmland.

Getting things done the right way takes collaborative efforts between our people, businesses, neighboring cities, and counties to find the best solutions. Join me to support the things that make Woodinville the place we love to call home and take action on the things that will make us more prosperous, inclusive, and forward-looking.

Endorsements: I am endorsed by the Sierra Club, the King County Democrats, and a growing list available at james4woodinville.com

# **Gary Harris**

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**Education:** BS Pharmacy and BA Psychology, University of Washington. Certificate of Municipal Leadership, State of Washington

Occupation: Pharmacist (retired), Woodinville Bed and Breakfast owner/innkeeper

**Statement:** Woodinville is a very special place where my wife and I chose to retire and start a business. As a resident and business owner I am uniquely qualified to understand the City's challenges and address solutions. As a Councilmember and Mayor, I will work to preserve what makes Woodinville a great place to live, play and work.

Working with current councilmembers we have kept Woodinville financially strong. Property taxes have not been raised during my tenure.

We have improved walkability and safety; and located multifamily housing near existing infrastructure. I will make sure development is done responsibly while keeping the current character of our neighborhoods. I will continue to work for a solution to the trestle traffic bottleneck (we are very close), and most importantly fight to make sure King County's Garbage Site is not located in Woodinville. Keep Woodinville growing responsibly. I would be honored to have your vote.



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# Mayor

# Aletha Howes No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

# **Council Position No. 1**

# John Gillem

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No statement submitted.

# James McCarthy No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

# **Council Position No. 3**

# Brad Wheeler No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

# **Tom Stowe**

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No photo submitted

Education: School of common sense and practical knowledge

Occupation: Professional

**Statement:** The Town of Beaux Arts Village is a great place to live, raise a family, and for many of us now, to work remotely. Make it the place you want it to be by participating, volunteering, voting, and running for office. The Town does not run by itself, it takes you.



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# Mayor

# Joseph D. Sabey

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Education: Bachelor of Arts University of Notre Dame

Occupation: Real Estate Development

Statement: The last year has been tremendously challenging for everyone. As your Mayor, I've aimed to provide some consistency and stability from the Town of Hunts Point in an otherwise tumultuous period. I've focused on transparency, accountability and delivering the core services any jurisdiction should, including responsive, high quality public safety. If reelected I will continue with those priorities and be a responsible steward of your tax dollars.

Hunts Point is a very special place. I grew up here and I am now raising my own family here. I am running for re-election because I want to make sure Hunts Point continues to be a great home for families for generations to come. Thank you for your support.

#### Council Position No. 1

# Ken Fisher

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**Education:** University of Washington, BA Psychology

Occupation: Real Estate Investment

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve you on here the Town Council the last ten years and for two years on the Planning Commission. Having lived here for fifteen years, Hunts Point and its residents are very special to me. I would like to continue working with you and the Council members to keep our Town special.

My number one priority is to Fully Fund Our Wonderful Police Department. I will continue to listen to your ideas and work with you towards your goals for keeping the things that work and improving the things that don't. It is important to continue to work within our budget, keep taxes and expenses low and being environmentally conscious to protect our beautiful surroundings.

I would be honored to receive your vote so we can continue to serve and work together to help keep our Town a wonderful place to live.

# **Ted Frantz**

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**Education:** BS Mechanical/Aerospace Engineering – Syracuse University, MBA – University of Washington

Occupation: Investment Manager

Statement: Over the past four years, as your council member, I have worked with the council and mayor to continue the traditions of Hunts Point and maintain its small town character. Covid-19 has been a challenge, but the town has adapted to deal with the pandemic. Working with the council, we have updated the entrance to the town with new plantings and trees. I have represented our town on the regional Salmon Recovery Council, which is essential to preserving a northwest icon.

I value your concerns and will work with the mayor and council to respond to those issues. If elected, I will continue to monitor the town's finances, and prioritize public safety and town maintenance.

I would appreciate your vote.

#### Council Position No. 5

# **Dan Temkin**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington, Cum Laude

Occupation: Real Estate Investor

Statement: Thank you for the trust you've placed in me over the last ten years that I've served as your councilman. I am proud of the town council's accomplishments and my personal contributions during this period. I consistently supported sound fiscal governance without raising taxes and without sacrificing infrastructure maintenance and beautification projects. I helped lead the town through a major update of the Shoreline Master Program, which largely preserved the residents' use and enjoyment of the waterfront. I strongly advocated upfront for mitigation to lessen the impacts of the SR520 widening project. I chaired the Beautification Committee, which was responsible for landscape improvement projects at the town entry and throughout the town. Looking forward, I stand ready to meet the town's challenges and opportunities employing the skill I've acquired over the last decade as an elected official and forty years operating my own business. I respectfully ask for your vote.

# Mayor

# **Katy Harris**

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Education: Bachelor of Science, Stanford University; Coursework at

Kellogg Graduate School of Management

Occupation: Public servant, producer, consultant, mom

**Statement:** I am running for Mayor because I value preserving the unique qualities of Yarrow Point that make it such a wonderful place to live. I am confident that I can positively impact the cohesiveness and civility of our community through transparency and communication from Town Hall.

I commit to carefully and empathically listening to what is important to you. I will work collaboratively with you, our council, conscientious and dedicated staff, highly-competent police, and other neighborhoods to develop and implement feasible solutions in the Town's best interest, both short and long term. I will champion open and frequent dialogue with neighbors, including on monthly Hikes with the Mayor.

As your Mayor, I will prioritize communication, fiscal responsibility, public safety, civility, efficient delivery of high-quality public services, residents' health and privacy, and neighborhood walkability, strategically leveraging our neighbors' skills and talents wherever possible. I would be grateful for your vote!

# **Dicker Cahill**

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**Education:** University of Washington, Bachelors & Masters Degree from the Foster School of Business

Occupation: Real Estate Broker NWG/Compass

**Statement:** It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as the Mayor of Yarrow Point for the last 8 years.

#### Council Position No. 1

# Stephan Lagerholm

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

# **Steve Fleming**

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**Education:** BS Physical Geography, graduate work in Meteorology and Climatology University of Georgia

**Occupation:** School bus driver, USN ret., former business owner/operator, manager

Statement: Over the next four years our town council will be dealing with some very important issues – the security and safety of our town and homes, proposed tree ordinances, under grounding of utility lines, and preserving the town's natural beauty, just to name a few. I am running for this post because I care about these issues, and others, that affect the quality of life we all enjoy here on the Point. I want to protect what makes this town a special place to live: small town community feel, ideal location, proximity to the water, parades and cookouts, knowing our neighbors by first name and our petfriendly, kid-safe atmosphere. I would like to listen to each and every one of you so as to inform my own opinions. I will work hard to ensure the council operates with transparency and accountability. I would be honored for your support and vote.

# **Charles Porter**

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**Education:** BA Mathematics Gonzaga University; MBA University of Michigan

Occupation: Semi-retired, Formerly C-Level Business Executive

Statement: I've lived on Yarrow Point 10 years and served its residents 6 years as King County Water District #1 Commissioner, and on Yarrow Point's Storm Water Board. This has taught me the Special Character of our community. Serving on other non-profit and for-profit Boards, I've come to appreciate the value of Respectful, Collaborative Leadership. My career has taught me the value of Strategic Leadership.

I chat with our neighbors as I walk our neighborhood nearly every day and understand our concerns (e.g., trees, parking, traffic cameras, cybersecurity, 5G, sidewalks etc.) If elected, my priorities will be to:
1) Listen to you; 2) Represent your interests; 3) Protect the safety of our neighborhood; 4) Guard the fiscal wellbeing of the Community; and 5) Preserve the Point's special character. I would be honored to serve you.

[Endorsed by: Mayor Cahill, Council Members Scandella and Lagerholm and many of your neighbors.]

#### Council Position No. 5

# **Kathy Smith**

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Education: BA in Education from WWU Graduate studies at UW

Occupation: Educator, retired

Statement: My purpose in serving Yarrow Point is to give back to my community. I appreciate the beauty and quality of life, and I will honor our traditions while building on them to improve the future. I will work to keep our sense of community thriving by listening and working collaboratively towards solutions for divisive issues. My many years on the Park Board afford me knowledge of town operations and insight into the needs and expectations of YP residents. Other leadership experiences include serving on the St. Thomas Medina vestry and the Bellevue Farmers Market Steering Committee. I chaired the Hunts/ Yarrow 4th of July 2 years, and volunteer for Congregations for the Homeless.

If elected, I will be the only woman on the council. I will bring a different perspective to ensure balanced representation of the community of Yarrow Point.

It would be an honor to serve on the council.

#### Avi Belur

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**Education:** MBA, Carnegie Mellon University and Computer Science, Purdue University

Occupation: Product Manager, Facebook

**Statement:** As a new member of Council, I will bring diversity and promote transparency, accountability and respectful problem solving. I will work to make our community safer and great place to raise family, maintain integrity of our parks and walking trials, and ensure construction parking follows town code.

I'm fortunate to be part of this community since my family and I moved here 4+ years ago. I'm at a stage in my life where I want to contribute more to our community. I live on 95th Ave at the dead end on south side of Sally's ally (near basketball structure). I'm a husband, father, son, brother and Seahawks fan. I have met many of you while playing basketball and soccer with my 8 years old twins and taking walk with my wife Anu and our twins.

I will be honored to earn your vote and humbled to serve our community.



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# Joyce Shui

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**Education:** Harvard University (AB), NYU Law (JD), UW Law (Visiting Student)

**Occupation:** SAP (100,000+ technology company), Senior Director; The Purple School, founder

**Statement:** I'm committed to academic excellence, support for every student, and a collaborative process where everyone feels welcome to voice their perspective in order to achieve effective solutions to the district's challenges.

Excellence. I've raised four children in Bellevue because of our district's academic excellence. I'm committed to increasing rigor and opportunities for all students. Equity. I will be fair-minded, soliciting and respecting diverse opinions to help guide the district. Empathy. For the best community outcomes, we need to listen (and be heard) with empathy. I will collaborate with all constituents to ensure a safe and respectful process for recovery from the pandemic.

I have extensive experience working in complex organizations and 20+ years' experience as a lawyer. I have a track record working with parties with divergent and competing interests to reach results all parties can get behind.

Endorsements include: Seattle Times ("Joyce Shui has the skills and perspective to help lead the district into calmer waters"), Women's Political Caucus, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Senators Wellman, Kuderer, and Hasegawa, Representatives Thai and Slatter, Councilmembers Robinson, Barksdale, and Stokes, Bellevue Education Association, King County Democrats, LD41 and LD41 Democrats, Women of Color in Politics, SEIU 925, APACE, Chris Marks, Marcie Maxwell.

# **Faye Yang**

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**Education:** MD - Huaxi Medical School, China, specialized in Endocrinology; MS - Florida International University

**Occupation:** Director, Nutritional Service, Providence Health Care System; Registered Dietitian

**Statement:** I am a mother of two students in BSD, a medical doctor from China, a first generation American, and an advocate for students, and I have deep concerns about our BSD schools.

During the pandemic, BSD fell short in serving its students and meeting its obligation to members of our community. Our district is at a crucial infection point, with decisions to make that will shape our future. I led a two-year campaign to improve student welfare that resulted in HB1272. I'll bring that same passion and dedication to the Board ensuring that every public dollar is utilized effectively to maximize education outcomes for students.

I'll engage our whole community to: 1) Select a world-class superintendent. 2) Prioritize the academic and social-emotional recovery of students. 3) Maintain a healthy and safe school environment for all students. 4) Ensure our curriculum reflects the diverse culture of our local community, against division and confusion.

I ask for your vote to heal - and once again celebrate - our district. Endorsed by: Jenifer Robertson, Council Member; Chad Magendanz, Former Ranking Member of the House Education Committee; Valeri Makam and Leo Novsky, former BSD Board Candidates, and 400 + local parents

# Jane Aras

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**Education:** Masters (M.Ed.), Special Education, UW; Bachelors (B.Ed.), Special Education with Endorsement in Psychology, Gonzaga University

**Occupation:** Former General and Special Education Teacher; Community Advocate for Education

Statement: As we recover from our collective trauma of COVID-19, our children, parents, and broader education community deserve collaborative leadership to rebuild trust and unity. We need a voice for all our children. We need policies that inspire and empower all students to excel and maintain high academic standards, while also addressing our mental health crisis and supporting our students' social and emotional needs.

Jane's extensive experience in education and health advocacy, data driven approach, and proven ability to collaborate with our diverse community makes her the right person to face the pandemic fallout and set a new course for our district's future.

Jane has taught both special and general education, has been a longtime advocate for equity, and has seen firsthand the challenges students' face –cultural assimilation, discrimination, bullying, and mental health issues. She has also worked with highly-capable students to keep them inspired during and beyond their academics, with exceptional outcomes. Jane will be the voice for all our children.

Endorsed: 41st & 48th District Democrats; State Senators Wellman and Kuderer; State Reps. Thai, Callan, Senn, Slatter & Maxwell (fmr.); King County Councilmember Balducci; Bellevue Mayor Robinson and Councilmember Barksdale, Stokes and Zahn; Bellevue Education Association and many more!

# **Gregg Smith**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Business Administration, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Broadband Business Owner, Volunteer, Entrepreneur, and Management Consultant

**Statement:** Hi - I'm the dad that has been involved with my daughters' education from Day 1. My roles in BSD have been numerous- VP on PTSA, an Ambassador for \$675M school bond, Director of after-school enrichment and curriculum enhancement, Leader of a school recess program to help isolated students and Room Parent *every year*.

Last year, our district failed my two girls- and all students. BSD needs new direction, leadership, and solutions. Students, our most treasured resource, have suffered mental health issues, severe learning loss and social deprivation. Our dedicated teachers have worked relentlessly without the appreciation and compensation they deserve. The relationship between BSD and its stakeholders has been compromised with ensuing power struggles.

I have the professional savvy as a tech professional and entrepreneur and the passion to refocus the district on what matters- our kids & their education. I will restore open communication and implement curriculum policy that is backed by data to maximize the learning potential and inspires each child. Please vote for me.

Endorsements: Valeri Makam, Bellevue Deputy Mayor Nieuwenhuis, Bellevue City Council Robertson, American Coalition for Equality, Former Medina Mayor Boyd, Former Medina Council Member Maffei, and BSD Teachers & Staff, including Tony Marble

#### **Robin Poe**

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Education: B.S. Oregon State University

Occupation: Network Engineer

**Statement:** Education is essential for students to become productive, successful adults in a modern society.

With over 40 years of experience in technology (telecommunications and network engineering) I see the necessity of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) education as a major part of the curriculum.

Current events have shown that effective communications skills, both writing and speaking, need to be fostered with an emphasis on coming to a rational and objective understanding.

With a B.S in Animal Science from Oregon State University I believe students should learn about the natural world around us, and how to use our natural resources in a sustainable manner. I believe we should respect the rights of the parents concerning the health and well-being of the student. Students should learn to uphold traditional American values based on natural law, as practiced by the Founding Fathers.

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**Education:** Bachelor's of Science in Applied Mathematics, Liberty University

Occupation: Independent Project Manager Consultant

Statement: "All" means "all" and that's all "all" means. I've repeated this phrase countless times during my time as an Issaquah School Board Member, wanting to ensure all students can access educational opportunities that will allow them to reach their full potential. Never has this been more important! The past school year has been full of obstacles to learning, creating larger disparities between students who have access to supports and those that don't. We know in-person learning is the best way for students to grow academically, socially, and emotionally. I have worked relentlessly to return students to school buildings, while following all the guidance to assure the safety of students and staff.

Over the next few years, we will need to focus on recovery and restoration. Students will need to recover from the academic and emotional loss of the past year and a half. Staff will need to recover from constant changes in how to deliver teaching. And the Board will need to restore the trust that students are at the heart of what we do. This work will require experience and understanding how the school district operates. I humbly ask for your vote to continue to serve you and students.

# **Wendy Ghiora**

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Education: Education: Doctorate in Educational Leadership USIU

Masters: Instructional Media CSULB

Occupation: Occupation: Retired Public School Principal

**Statement:** Teaching young people and finding the key to their success is my passion.

Dr. Ghiora has worked K-12 levels in traditional and charter schools. She is immediate Past President of Washington Phi Delta Kappa, the nation's premier educational organization.

Wendy strongly believes in the potential of each and every student to achieve academic and personal success. She is your Back to the Basics candidate. It's time to re-ignite the methods used, and once again make our Issaquah schools a paragon of excellence. Students should leave school with the tools necessary to excel in whatever they choose to do.

Excellence should abound in academics and the creative and performing arts. An excellent education is when we teach children how to think, not what to think. A student who is curious and explores many ideas and viewpoints is using critical thinking skills and will be well prepared and inspire others to think for themselves. Dr. Ghiora fully supports the National School Board's vision and purpose to: "Prepare students for college and the workforce, including preparing them for jobs that may not even exist yet due to rapidly changing technology, and to help children fulfill their diverse potentials."

# **Sydne Mullings**

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**Education:** B.A. International Politics, Penn State University; M.S. Human Computer Interaction, DePaul University

Occupation: General Manager, Central Marketing Organization; Microsoft Corporation

**Statement:** I believe that public education plays an important role in developing our young people to become thriving members of society. My commitment to public service is grounded in the principles that transparency and increased engagement with families and community members are critical. We need more voices represented in district decisions.

As a parent of two current ISD students, I ran for the Issaquah School Board in 2019 to serve our community by using my more than 15 years of mission driven board service, skills in finance and operations, and a career of leading transformational change. The past two years have brought incredible challenges and given me the opportunity to understand each aspect of our school system. Throughout this unprecedented pandemic, my commitment to listening to differing perspectives and making difficult decisions has been strengthened. My goal is to leverage these experiences to ensure that we retain and reuse all that we have learned and emerge stronger as we return to a fully operational system.

We must all pull together to recover from this distressing time. I pledge to continue doing the hard work needed to support our children's academic success and social emotional growth. I humbly ask for your support.

### Leah Choi

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**Education:** B.S. Chemistry/Molecular Biology, University of Denver; Ph.D. Candidate Biochemistry, University of California, San Diego

Occupation: Parent; Financial Planner, Nordstrom

**Statement:** In a rapidly changing world, students deserve a public education that will adapt and prepare them for success. This requires leaders who are committed to doing the work and driving educational progress.

Our schools must lead in educating students and communities on the critical issue of Earth's climate. We are living with the consequences of human driven climate change, and we need to better prepare future generations for the challenge it poses.

I support the work to provide technical training for students who may choose non-traditional secondary education and will work to enhance and grow these opportunities, because not everyone learns the same way and there are many paths to success.

Finally, we need to consider implementing science-based recommendations like changing our school start times. Overwhelming evidence supports delaying school start times for adolescents. It's time that we join the thousands of schools nationwide that have made this change and are reaping the benefits. My diverse background in education, science and business gives me a unique perspective to work collaboratively and achieve goals. It would be an honor to work for our community and I am grateful for your vote. Endorsed by: NWPC-WA and Democrats for Diversity and Inclusion

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**Education:** Green River College, Western Washington University, University of Washington - Early Childhood Education

Occupation: Family Advisor, Seattle Children's Hospital

**Statement:** As legislative representative for the LWSD board of directors I advocate for students at the local, state and national level. My cross-district collaboration includes regular meetings with public health to support student *wellness*, *safety* and *recovery*.

The disruption to learning affected students in individual ways. We must evaluate them in a *personalized* manner to successfully address their needs. Further implementation of data driven, *Multi-Tiered Systems of Support*, considering the unique needs of students, will inform the development of a personalized plan that best allows kids to *recover* and *advance*.

Other priorities include increasing *opportunity, equity* and *inclusion* to ensure *all* students gain access to all school programs and activities. National and LWSD data indicate lower rates of success for children with special needs, students of color, kids living in poverty and English learners, to name a few. Additional *communication* methods need to be incorporated to increase awareness of and participation in extracurricular offerings as well as optional, supplemental, academic offerings.

A strong home to school collaboration, a tiered system to provide unique supports and the use of culturally relevant forms of communication increase student *opportunity* and *inclusion*, leading to more equitable results for *all*. *Cassandra is Committed to Kids!* www. cassandrasage.com

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**Education:** Bachelors of Electronics Engineering **Occupation:** Business Leader at Amazon Web Services

Statement: This last year has been challenging for everybody.18 months ago, nobody could have visualized a world where kids were not in classrooms. While our educators have done a great job of adapting to unprecedented times, we have also seen the gaps in our system widen. And while we all hope for a return to "normalcy" we need to learn from this disruption to education and work together in an innovative fashion to move forward in an inclusive, equitable and a welcoming learning environment.

As parent to twins and a member of the PTA, my experience with the LWSD prompted me to join the race to ensure that our schools are ready to meet the challenges and help our children thrive.

I'm committed to draw on my background to bring fresh energy, responsible fiscal management, and innovations to the LWSD focusing on these four areas: equity and inclusion, mental wellness, school infrastructure, and teacher support.

I will be a voice for students, families and community members and will seek out the unheard students and parents. I know with the right leadership, the LWSD can build on our strengths to expand opportunities and deliver high-quality education for every student.

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Journalism with Emphasis in Public Relations, University of Oklahoma

**Occupation:** Global Media Relations Consultant, School/Community Volunteer, Sammamish Rotary President

**Statement:** 2021-2022 is a rebuilding year. While we incorporate some of the creative solutions used last year to help students, we must increase our social emotional learning and equity programs, too.

Beyond our top-notch academics and graduation rates, we must pay even more attention to students' social and mental health struggles as they navigate a seemingly ever-changing world.

Our diverse student body requires a diverse staff to support their social and academic needs. We must enhance our trauma-informed practices and inclusive education efforts while supporting staff to incorporate UDL as best practices.

I want all students to feel they have a home within their school. Endorsements: State Senators Patty Kuderer & Derek Stanford; State Representatives My-Linh Thai, Amy Walen; Roger Goodman, Vandana Slatter, Larry Springer, Shelley Kloba; LWSD Board President Eric Laliberte; Kirkland Mayor Penny Sweet, Deputy Mayor Jay Arnold, Councilmembers Amy Falcone, Neal Black, Jon Pascal; Redmond City Council President Tanika Padhye & Councilmember Dave Carson; former State Rep./Kirkland Mayor Joan McBride; Lake Washington Schools Foundation Chair Roy Captain; Sammamish Human Services Chair Joyce Bottenberg; former Sammamish Deputy Mayor Ramiro Valderrama; LWEA; LiUNA Laborers Local 242; Teamsters Local 763; King County Democrats; 48th, 45th, 41st &1st LD Democrats.

#### **Director Position No. 2**

# **Brian Giannini Upton**

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**Education:** University of Wyoming, Fine Arts and Education **Occupation:** Dad, Community Volunteer, Advocate for Students and Public Education

Statement: As a School Board Director, I work tirelessly to honor our district's history, and to enrich and protect resources for each student. I am focused on strategic advocacy, policy development, and student centered priorities such as rigorous learning, inclusive and equitable environments, and safe and supportive school communities. I serve as a liaison to district advisory committees and collaborate with cross-district workgroups addressing emerging critical issues. As a regionally elected member of the WSSDA Legislative Committee, I regularly convey our children's needs and aspirations to policy makers from Olympia to Washington D.C.

It is an honor to serve our District. I will continue to ensure that each child, regardless of race, characteristic, or circumstance, has the support and resources they need to create their future. www.BrianGianniniUpton.com.

Endorsements: Senator Lisa Wellman, Representative Tana Senn, Representative My-Linh Thai, Former Representative Marcie Maxwell, MISD Pathfinder Dawn Bennett, WA 41st Democrats, WA Stonewall Democrats

# **Dan Glowitz**

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**Education:** J.D., University of Michigan; BA - Political Science, Amherst College (magna cum laude); MIHS (1999)

**Occupation:** Attorney (focused on corporate governance and intellectual property); stay-at-home parent

**Statement:** Mercer Island *should be a beacon* that shows what's possible in a small, well-educated, and passionate community that values education.

Our school system and our city have prospered by maintaining high academic standards and by earning the public's trust. As a board member, I will strengthen this legacy by promoting open dialogue and ensuring that data drives decisions. My legal background has prepared me to work collaboratively while asking hard questions. Volunteering on Mercer Island has inspired a heart-felt belief that a more equitable future depends upon our children receiving a well-rounded education that focuses on fundamentals; an education that's rigorous, relevant, innovative and individualized. One which enables them to take the next step in their journey upon graduation, wherever that may be.

Endorsements: KC Democrats; Deputy Mayor Wendy Weiker; MISD Board Members David D'Souza and Tam Dinh; Ralph Jorgenson; Adair Dingle; Ken Glass, Dave Myerson; Kristy Sieckhaus; Bin Lang

#### **Director Position No. 4**

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**Education:** JD, American University. BA, Business Administration, Franklin and Marshall College, MIHS Class of 1990

Occupation: Attorney, King County Department of Public Defense Statement: For the past 4 years, I've helped guide MISD toward putting students first, inclusive and equitable education and academic excellence. We need leaders who are committed to serving all students, hear and balance many voices and make the right decisions. I have spent 22 years advocating for children and families in the legal system. I listen carefully, know every child has unique needs, consider all viewpoints, solve challenging problems with few resources and make difficult decisions as needed.

It is essential to have Directors who understand this unique community. As a MIHS 1990 grad myself, my husband and I made MI our home so our daughter could grow up in this great district. The MI community, our families and our kids expect and deserve the best outcomes and I am committed to building on our successful history.

Endorsements: 41st Democrats, Representative Tana Senn, Former Director Pat Braman and many more

# Lacey Aaker

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Occupation: High School Teacher, Kent School District

Statement: As we emerge from this pandemic the upcoming years will be pivotal. We need strong, knowledgeable leadership to navigate both the challenges Covid has caused, and the opportunities the evolving landscape has created. As an educator with experience assisting the US Department of Education in higher education policy, I would help our community roadmap a sustainable and dynamic path forward; one that centers on student success and wellbeing.

This work cannot be done alone. I truly believe our city's greatest asset is our community members. When our policies discourage community input, we cannot capitalize on innovative ideas. As a fierce proponent of collective input and collaboration I would create more avenues and greater opportunities for community dialogue with the board and district. I would also fulfill the board's oversight role and ask the tough, necessary questions on your behalf.

I would be grateful for your vote.

# Jacqueline McGourty

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**Education:** BS; Biology/Chemistry, University of Puget Sound. MS/PhD; Biochemistry/Molecular/Cellular Biology, Northwestern University

**Occupation:** Current Northshore School Board Director; Primary/ Owner, Scientific Consulting company.

**Statement:** It has been an honor and privilege to put my experience and passion for public education to work in service of the Northshore community over the last four years.

This award-winning Board has done great things in that time, including; increased access to childcare, music, hi-cap, and mental health supports; opening new/upgraded facilities to provide safe learning environments; decreasing opportunity/outcome gaps; adding safety and equity teams in all schools; advocating with legislators to support our students and community; and we acted quickly to guide and serve our community in a global crisis. I'm so proud of the work we've done and the future of education as we move out of this pandemic.

But the work must continue. It's critical to fully fund education, ensure pandemic recovery, close opportunity/outcome gaps, teach students as individual learners, and increase access to early childhood education. My experience on this board, in science, management, legislative advocacy, teaching and troubleshooting, make me uniquely qualified to serve this critical role.

I would be honored to continue the great work of the Northshore School District and respectfully request your vote. Endorsements include: NOW; NEOPA/NSEA; 1st, 45th and 46th LD Democrats, King and Snohomish County Democrats, multiple elected officials.

# **Elizabeth Crowley**

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

Occupation: Cyber Security Leader, Boeing

Statement: I'm running because I'm a concerned parent of a Northshore elementary student. Parents represent about 15% of voters, while 85% may be less familiar with district issues. We cannot keep doing the same thing and expecting a different outcome, elect change. I have watched stress levels and mental health issues escalate in our community, we're in a mental health crisis, now requiring long-term intervention. We need to proactively provide a suite of tools and services and be flexible, delivering the resources needed for all children to not just recover but to excel.

My skills as a Fortune 50 cyber security leader include active listening, being proactive, setting high expectations and making informed decisions will serve us on the Board. I am familiar managing a large budget that I am held accountable to. I will plan for the future and adapt as education requirements evolve.

Our children need our help to: *Improve* connections among schools, community, and the Board; *Rebuild* our support system focusing on emotional and educational growth; *Deliver resources and services equitably* to develop the whole child; *Implement* secure modern infrastructure, drive policy enhancements to foster a safe learning environment.

Let's Connect; Let's be the changes they need.

# Sandy R. Hayes

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington, 1991, Juris Doctor, University of Washington, 1994

Occupation: I have a restorative justice practice.

Statement: In my 12 years on the Northshore School Board, the last year and a half have been so heart-breaking. Covid-19 caused loss of lives and jobs, and damaged mental health and relationships. We have much work to do to repair and heal. Our schools have a prominent role in that and we have learned that education can change and innovate. We need sound leadership to rethink the how, what and most especially the why of public education. The world was changing before the pandemic and that change has only accelerated. With your continued support, I will bring the voices of parents, students, and educators together to ensure our students are prepared for jobs that do not yet exist, in a world that will look dramatically different than what existed even a few years ago. I believe that every one of our students can and should be a contributing member of our community and I want to be part of that conversation.

Endorsements - 1st, 45th and 46th District Democrats, King County Democrats, Mainstream Republicans of Washington, Northshore Education Association, Northshore Education Office Managers, Secretaries and Professional Technical Employees, Rep. April Berg, Rep. Davina Duerr, Rep. Gerry Pollet, Rep. Roger Goodman

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**Education:** BS - Aeronautical Engineering, Air Force Academy; MS - Engineering, USC; MBA, Arizona State University

Occupation: PMO Director, Astronics Advanced Electronics Systems

Statement: The school board blames COVID, but it merely revealed their failures. Schools re-opened nationwide while we remained closed. Learning losses were dismissed, claiming 'they didn't learn as much as we hoped' with no 'summer recovery' available. Pandemic aside, systemic issues persist: loyalty to special interests ignores parental authority and short/long term impact on student academic, social, and emotional needs; extravagant spending despite schools in disrepair; and failing literacy programs.

As taxpayers, 56% of our property taxes supply NSD, growing >10% each year under the current board. Superintendent compensation increased from \$277K to \$460K--triple that of teachers. Meanwhile, academic achievement stayed flat while low-income student scores declined. I will bring fiscal accountability and demand measurable results, working within our means and closing the social divide. I will provide teachers with appropriate training to deploy consistent curricula. No more tolerating 'teach your truth' directives. I will require robust measurements to assess progress and ensure timely improvements.

As a recognized military, aerospace, and non-profit leader, I know effective and successful performance. Coming from a family of teachers and union leaders, I know effective educational administration.

I'm endorsed by parents, teachers, students and union leaders and stand ready to lead and serve our district.

# **Amy Cast**

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**Education:** BS Business Management from Binghamton University, Binghamton NY

**Occupation:** Owner of a website design firm, and leadership consultant

Statement: Since I began serving you on the Northshore School Board eight years ago, I've dedicated myself to continuously improving our schools, making us one of the highest performing districts in the state. As we recover from the pandemic and its impacts on our children and community, I'm committed to passionately putting my experience to work for all kids.

Now more than ever, I'm focused on finding new resources, partnerships and programs to create exceptional outcomes for students. I work collaboratively and effectively to find solutions, improve instruction, advance educational equity, update our buildings, carefully manage our resources, and build a culture where everyone in our schools feels seen, heard and valued. My focus is on the whole child, and I'll sustain the growth in mental health supports and programs.

My perseverance in the face of tough challenges was critical to safely reopening schools and supporting student recovery. Perseverance remains essential as we move forward. I will continue to help our schools evolve as we prepare our students for their future. It is my commitment that together we will not only recover from this difficult time, but thrive.

Endorsements: 1st LD, 45th LD, 46th LD Democrats, King County Democrats, Northshore teachers.

# **Amy Felt**

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**Education:** Bachelor's - Business Administration, University of Washington; Juris Doctorate, University of Idaho School of Law

Occupation: Attorney - Felt Law

Statement: I spent the last year and a half in the trenches of "zoom school" right along with you. I sat at the kitchen table with my kids during the school day, trying to run my small business while keeping them on task. I watched them suffer academic, social, and emotional setbacks. I witnessed tiny fissures in the trust between families, teachers, and NSD administrators split wide open.

Good administrators sit down with families and teachers to solve impossible problems. They communicate honestly and openly. They lead without being flattened by squeaky wheels or cowed by special interests

During my time as an assistant state attorney general, I acted as the child's advocate in emotionally heated custody disputes. Children were often overlooked when the adults started fighting—my job was to remind everyone that the *child was the most important person* in the room.

None of the current school board members have a student attending district schools. I will bring that parent voice to the board. I will demand measurable outcomes. I will put students first. If you want to see change in Northshore, I need your vote. Vote Amy Felt.

# Avanti Bergquist

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**Education:** B.S. Biology, Duke University; M.S. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, OHSU; M.D., University of Louisville

**Occupation:** Child Psychiatrist at Eating Recovery and Pathlight Mood/ Anxiety Center

Statement: As a proud graduate of the Renton School District, parent of children in the district, and spouse of a district teacher, it has been an honor to represent the Renton School District students, staff, and community for the last 4 years. It has certainly not been an easy few years, but our district and community have rallied together to do our best for students and staff. I will continue to work hard to be a partner and ally for our community as we recover from the pandemic and uphold the Renton School District priorities of Service, Excellence, and Equity. One of my biggest priorities, as a board director and child psychiatrist, is the ongoing work to improve mental health and social and emotional learning for our students. I would sincerely appreciate your support so that I may persist in this work and being a dedicated champion for every student in the Renton School District to help them achieve success.

#### **Director District No. 5**

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**Education:** University of Pennsylvania, Master of Bioethics, B.A. in Economics & Political Science; Bellevue High School

Occupation: Home Health and Hospice Operations Executive

Statement: It has been an honor to serve as your current Renton School Board Director (District 5) since taking the oath of office in late February 2021. I stepped up during one of our most trying times as a society, just as COVID case rates in our area hit their peak. Leading with courage, humility, passion, curiosity, and inclusion, I look forward to earning your vote and continuing to serve our community for the next four years.

I am a fierce advocate for public school education and its role as the foundation for our society, economy, health, and well-being. I come from a family with many teachers, and I hold the utmost respect for our dedicated educators and staff.

My professional discipline is continuous improvement, and I bring this lens to my role as school board director. The pace of change in our world is only increasing, and we must innovate and adapt to prepare our students to thrive now and in the future. Change is uncomfortable, but it is also where the growth occurs.

Let's work together to build a brighter and more just future. Vote Scovel for Schools!

# Ron Lundeen

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**Education:** Honors Bachelors in Mathematics, University of Utah; JD, University of Chicago

Occupation: Managing Developer at Paizo Inc.

**Statement:** I'm eager to provide our school board with a new perspective! As the father of three children in the district receiving different levels of support, I'm directly invested in our schools. I want to see all our children in this district thrive amid our current unique challenges. There's so much opportunity for them, as long as we have a board willing to provide it!

Our schools need fresh direction, not detached leadership from a decade ago. The pandemic has highlighted the need for flexible learning in a safe environment. I support diversity and equity in the classroom and at the district level.

I know the work that goes into being a school board member. I've served on community boards for years, most recently as the chair of Carnation's Planning Board. My experience as a healthcare regulatory attorney has also shown me how policy impacts people. Vote Ron Lundeen.

#### **Lori Oviatt**

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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree Elementary Education; Master's Degree Curriculum and Instructional Technology; Leadership WSSDA

**Occupation:** Learning solutions provider, speaker coach for global corporations and nonprofits

Statement: Public service supporting students and families is one of my core values. As I run for re-election; gratitude and respect come to mind. Respect for all school district employees, from custodians to the Superintendent, all student voices, and all families navigating through major educational decisions for their children. Riverview has weathered some challenging times these past few years, with student deaths, a global pandemic and has done so as each decision focused to support students, staff, and family members.

Many decisions are made by the state and public health to keep our students and staff safe and healthy. Other decisions were local; am honored, and proud to be part of those decisions. Thanks to all who shared their voices with the board.

My passion and experience in learning, training and certification design and development provide the leadership skills to move forward. I ask for your vote and continued support. Oviatt4schoolboard.com

#### **Director District No. 5**

# Sabrina F. Parnell

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Gonzaga University

Occupation: Administrative Assistant

Statement: It is an honor to serve as a board member for Riverview School District. I am a passionate education advocate who cares deeply about our students, staff, parents, and our community. I am proud to help lead the district through the unprecedented challenges of a pandemic. Through these challenges we balanced the needs of the community, students, and district employees. The world has changed and we must prepare our children to be successful in this new environment.

My family has lived in Duvall for 19 years. My involvement over the years includes committees, PTSA, the Riverview Ambassador Program, and as a school director.

In the last 5 years Riverview has: increased the graduation rate to 97%, received the Board of the Year award, and is recognized as a national leader in 'student voice. Much work remains to allow every student to be successful. Please vote to re-elect Sabrina Parnell.

# **Rachel Frodsham**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Communications and Political Science, University of Washington

Occupation: Business Manager, Microsoft Corporation

**Statement:** There are unique challenges facing our school board as we continue to navigate both the pandemic and our growing community. Unique challenges are best addressed by diverse opinions and fresh perspectives. The current school board has been in place since 2015 and the majority even longer. While continuity is important, so is change.

Transparency and communication are vital to fostering and maintaining community engagement to ensure all voices are heard. This is an area that can be improved by our school board. These pillars are critical to ensuring high level of community support.

While I do not have school board or school administration experience, my skills gained during 18 years of corporate work would directly translate to this role. I am skilled at navigating ambiguity, being transparent, and communicating across differences. I have two children in the district and have been part of this community for 14 years.

#### **Director District No. 1**

# Melissa Johnson

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science-Dbl-Major Zoology/EnvScience, University of Washington; Master's in Business Administration, Seattle University

Occupation: Business Development, Weyerhaeuser

**Statement:** Since being elected 4 years ago, I have continued to work diligently to expand opportunities for all students. Although we have made great progress, there is still work to do. I will continue to work alongside parents, staff, and businesses in developing a district that creates wide-ranging options for our students.

Advocating for our students has never been so important as we return to full-time, in-person school. I will continue to fight for the needs of our students. This includes reinforcing the "student first" initiatives that were launched prior to the pandemic, addressing learning loss, and leveraging what we have learned.

I would be honored and humbled to have your vote so that I can continue to serve another term.

#### **Director District No. 4**

# **Gary Fancher**

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**Education:** Somerville High School; College of the Canyons; Bellevue College Project Management Certificate

**Occupation:** Parent of two, Self Employed; Past Program Manager Microsoft

**Statement:** It has been my honor to serve our community and district and would be my privilege to continue on with my passion and dedication for each child and our talented staff.

Together we all have weathered the stressful and disruptive COVID Pandemic. I am proud of the hard work by our staff and administration and their extraordinary efforts to reach our vulnerable students, and educate and feed our children during this difficult time. We are ready to work together to heal and grow to a better normal.

My purpose is to see that we attract and retain skilled and qualified educators, increase equity for our students, close income and opportunity gaps for each student, support personnel and administrators, advocate with our state and federal legislators for public education, and fully fund education. I am honored to be part of our great SVSD Board and humbly ask for your vote.

#### **Director District No. 1**

# **Haley Pendergraft**

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**Education:** BA Psychology, University of Washington; Master in Teaching, Seattle University

Occupation: Previous Teacher, General Contractor/Business Owner

Statement: In my 41 years I have lived in Maple Valley as a graduate of Tahoma, taught public school, led the Maple Valley Lions Club, and been the owner of successful local businesses. I am happily married, a devoted mother of two Tahoma students and a lifelong learner. While being involved with so many facets of Maple Valley, I've developed the belief that our school district should be the heart of our city. Our school board directors have the charge and opportunity to bring cutting-edge learning concepts and strategies, provide safe and enriching academic environments, ensure equity for all, and support our children in becoming future ready. Amongst this important work will be developing strategies to remedy unfinished learning resulting from the pandemic, support social/emotional challenges and continued engagement with our thriving community. Joining this work would be my greatest honor. I would love to earn your vote.

# **Kyle Meyers**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Economics, Colorado State University **Occupation:** Vice President of Technology and Project Management, Independent Mortgage Banker

**Statement:** As a grandfather and uncle to children in the TSD, I am dedicated to getting *All* students back to in-person learning safely. I support "mask-choice" and believe that everyone has the right to choose to get vaccinated for Covid.

My devotion to anti-discrimination extends to making sure our schools are an environment where all students feel safe, regardless of skin color, family background, gender or cultural beliefs. I do not support CRT. Recently, families have felt disconnected and uninformed of district policies and decisions. Every parent has the right to be heard and included. I will listen to teachers, but I will Serve students, parents, and the community. My years of experience initiating and managing projects, people, and budgets in the financial technology field, make me a well-qualified candidate. I value community input and will be Your advocate in the district and bring a fresh perspective to the school board.

#### **Director District No. 5**

# Val Paganelli

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**Education:** Bachelor's Business Administration - Economics, Boise State University; Credentialed Actuary (SOA), Accredited Asset Management Specialist

**Occupation:** Financial Advisor, Edward Jones; Consulting Actuary, Paganelli Consulting, Inc.

**Statement:** Looking long-term is a critical responsibility of your School Board. Reflecting on the last four years, it is impossible to predict all complexities ahead for Tahoma School District (TSD) public education. Assuring sustainability, abundance, and resiliency in the district, via established goals and measurable targets, is the vital work.

I appreciate the commitment shown by those who care deeply about the shared responsibility of educating students and who show their dedication by bringing their time, voices, ideas and talents forward.

The duties I place upon my service to you include: assuring all students have a voice and ready access to excellent tools, curriculum, facilities, staff, and resources; making fiscally sound decisions that are accountable and supported by stakeholders; welcoming ongoing open, collaborative and respectful dialogue among all community partners. I thank you for your vote to again serve the greater Maple Valley community, its students, families and employees of TSD.

# Michael J. Dowling

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No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

#### Commissioner Position No. 5

#### **Anita Sandall**

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Education: some college

Occupation: Emergency Preparedness & Safety Coordinator

Statement: I have served as your commissioner since appointed in June 2018. I serve as the vice chair on the Fire Dist 10 board and the alternate on the Eastside Fire & Rescue board. I am the secretary and serve as a representative on the following committees for King County Fire Commissioners Association: Local Emergency Planning committee, a legislative representative, a King County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee, I am a member of the Washington State Fire Commissioners Association. Most importantly, I represent you, the citizen.

I have served as a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician and Firefighter with Eastside Fire and Rescue for 18 years. I hear and understand what happens within the department and as a commissioner I understand what our community expects and needs.

I ask for your support. Thank you

# **Tyler Byers**

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**Education:** Central Washington University

Occupation: Paramedic/Firefighter, Lacey Fire District #3

**Statement:** As Fire Commissioner I will ensure that our citizens receive the highest level of fire protection and emergency services. As a taxpayer I will be fiscally responsible and allocate funds appropriately. I will ensure our firefighters have the tools and training needed to respond to the emergences of our ever growing community.

With the current challenges and future opportunities we need a motivated commissioner who understands the needs of a fire department and will voice concerns of the community. As a professional Paramedic/Firefighter with 20 years of experience I understand what it takes to bring your family and mine the highest level of service.

My wife and I have enjoyed raising our three young children in the same community I was raised. Our family has considered Kenmore home for 30 years. If we ever need help, I expect the best. That is what I will give you as Fire Commissioner.

#### **Don Ellis**

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Education: Bachelor of Arts-University of Washington, Certified Fraud

Examiner 1995-Present

**Occupation:** Finance (retired)

Statement: Don Ellis, a devoted local civil servant, passed away May 25,

2021. His statement is below:

For 28 years I have served a growing community as Northshore Fire

Commissioner

I am passionate about providing Northshore firefighters with quality training and equipment. Throughout my tenure I have worked to maintain a high level of service while managing the tax burden on residents of Northshore Fire cities. Last month (April 2021) the constituents resoundingly voted against merging Northshore Fire Department with Woodinville Fire Department. My position is that the merger would adversely affect the Northshore Fire community and should not move forward. Voters need to be aware that the five elected members of Northshore Fire Board of Commissioners can vote (without constituent support) to move ahead with this merger. Please consider this when you cast your vote for this position (King County Fire Protection District No. 16, Commissioner Position No. 3)

#### Commissioner Position No. 5

## **Nate Herzog**

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**Education:** Shoreline Public Schools, Shoreline Community College, University of Washington, Association of Washington Cities CML

**Occupation:** former City Councilmember; Small business owner: PQR Capitalization

**Statement:** There's a void in leadership at Northshore Fire. In April, voters overwhelmingly opposed the proposed merger. Furthermore, we sadly lost two commissioners this year; one is also retiring. As a two-term city councilmember, I managed budgets, and will bring the local government experience and stability our district greatly needs.

I love our community. This is where I grew up and now I'm raising my family here. It's also my pleasure to serve as a Northshore emergency response (CERT) volunteer. Our Northshore firefighters have been there for my family in times of need. I'll work to ensure your family has that quality level of service for generations to come.

I'm proud to have support from over a dozen citizens in both Kenmore and Lake Forest Park who've served as fire commissioners and city councilmembers. I hope you'll support me in bringing fresh leadership to Northshore Fire. I greatly appreciate your vote.

#### Lisa Wollum

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Education: Highline Community College

Occupation: Real Estate Agent, Small Business Owner

**Statement:** A Seattle local, with 17 years in Kenmore, I relate to the values of our community. I want the best Fire Protection and EMS service for our community.

In the recently proposed merger; firefighters were ignored and emergency response time was not given a priority. We, as a community need a diverse, transparent board that puts the needs of residents first. Fire Commissioners should respond to community members questions and provide evidence-based reasoning for decisions made. As the only woman running for Fire Commissioner, I am a voice for all community members. With my unique knowledge I can get the commissioners working together.

I will put the citizens of Kenmore and Lake Forest Park first while collaborating the needs of our firefighters - those who truely do the work to keep us safe. Endorsed by: Northshore Firefighters Local 2459, Shoreline Firefighters Local 1760, former Commissioner Verlinda, Commissioner Pratt

# King County Fire Protection District No. 25

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

## Myron Meikle

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**Education:** Associates Degree in Business Administration, South Seattle Community College

**Occupation:** King County Fire District 25 Commissioner, Retired Firefighter

**Statement:** 6 years ago, King County Fire District 25 and the Renton Fire Department, through a vote of the citizens, formed the Renton Regional Fire Authority. As one of your three Fire Commissioners, it has been my honor to serve the citizens of District 25.

My goal along with my fellow board members is to ensure that the citizens of the Renton Regional Fire Authority receive the highest level of fire, rescue and emergency medical service available. As your representative for over 25 years, we have worked diligently to make sure that our equipment, personnel and training are of the highest caliber and that covers all aspects of our organization from Response Operations, our Fire Marshal's office to an outstanding Administration. Myself along with all of these members are dedicated to one mission, serving you.

I look forward to serving you for another term.



Per state law King County Elections is unable to remove a candidate from the ballot after the deadline to withdraw has passed regardless of circumstances (RCW 29A.24.131). Due to the timing of Mr. Don Ellis' passing his name will appear on the ballot.

# King County Fire Protection District No. 27

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

## **Robert Angrisano**

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**Education:** Business Administration, Finance, Law, Emergency Medical Response, Fire Department Administration and Operations.

**Occupation:** Retired. Work at Swedish Hospital, DiscoveryHealth MD, Volunteer Snoqualmie FD

**Statement:** In 2019 I worked closely with Fall City community members to assure our Department remains strong and independent. Commissioners have an obligation to operate the Fire Department to serve the needs and wishes of the community. That means listening, developing a plan, and executing that plan in a fiscally responsible way.

My qualifications are rooted in 31 years as volunteer Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, and 17 years as Fire Commissioner. Prior to retirement, I spent 30 years as an executive, building and running successful businesses. As Fire Commissioner, I grew a small community-based Fire District to cover approximately 20 square miles with three stations and 23 volunteer firefighters. My finance background helped me acquire new engines, tenders, brush trucks and aid cars while staying within the voter-approved tax rate.

Vote for me so I can listen to what you want and work with our new chief to make it happen!

#### Daniel E. Meredith

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**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering & Master of Business Administration, Univ. of Washington; Registered Professional Engineer **Occupation:** Engineering Consultant, Practice Lead; King County Fire

District 27 Commissioner

**Statement:** Thank you, Fall City, for your continued support of Fire District 27. I am proud to serve as your Fire Commissioner for the past 14 years and to continue improving service and opportunity in Fall City.

As an engineering consultant and business professional focused on infrastructure, I am experienced in preparing and evaluating plans and alternatives using logical, fact-based analysis. My experience as a business professional complements the fire service professionals that run the day-to-day operation of our fire district. I am very excited about our new fire chief and the new ideas and opportunities that are already in place. We are building on a strong foundation of progress, innovation, and partnerships with regional agencies.

I ask for your support to continue serving as your Fire Commissioner. I will continue to guide our district toward the highest service levels and greatest value for our citizens. *Endorsed by Fall City Firefighters*.

# Jerry Nuernberger

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and Masters in Business Administration, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Occupation: Commissioner King County Fire District 34 (appointed January 2020)

**Statement:** My goal as Fire Commissioner is to assure that the district makes effective use of taxpayer resources in providing highly functional facilities and equipment for our professional firefighters. This is a critical time for Fire District 34. District Commissioners are now initiating negotiations for a new multi-year emergency services agreement with the City of Redmond.

I have had a career of over 40 years in the electrical power distribution equipment manufacturing industry. I was employed by Westinghouse and Eaton Electric, working with major clients in the process industries to ensure that critical power needs were met. My background provides me with a solid foundation for the duties of Fire Commissioner. Currently, I am overseeing the latter stages of our district funded \$4.5 million project to upgrade the seismic capability of stations 14 and 18.

My candidacy is endorsed by Local 2829 Redmond Professional Firefighters I respectfully ask for your vote.

# **Henry Burner**

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

# James Jensen

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Education: 2 years college

**Occupation:** National sales manager for nationwide window company for 30+years

Statement: A lifelong Washingtonian living in Trilogy in Redmond Ridge where I am an active volunteer in many clubs and activities such as President of the Billiards club. As a USMC Vietnam combat veteran, I am an active board member of the veterans club. A former marathon and ultramarathon runner I am an avid exercise enthusiast which now includes cycling. Issues of fire safety, prevention, education and mitigation living in this wooded area have given me a keen interest. My wife and I have great respect for first responders. We can't thank them enough for their dedication and deserve our support. I look forward to conitnuing my work in this area.

# District No. 43

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

#### **Camille Walls**

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Education: AA Degree in Fire Science

Occupation: Retired

Statement: The five member Board of Fire Commissioners for King County Fire District #43 is responsible for determining levels of service, funding, employing key personnel, guiding strategic planning and representing the District to the public.

I have served the Maple Valley citizens as a Fire Commissioner since 2010. During that time we have seen significant growth in our community, increases in service demands and have become part of the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority.

Prior to retirement, I worked for Renton Fire Department for thirty years as a Fire Inspector/Investigator. I gained a knowledge of the inside workings of the fire department. which has helped me to team with the other four commissioners to address the challenges we face as an ever- evolving community. Working with and for the people of Maple Valley has proven to be a responsibility that I am extremely proud of and hope to continue into the future.

#### **King County Fire Protection** District No. 45

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

# Jerry E. Smith

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Education: Ballard High School (Seattle); BA Political Science, University

of Washingtom

Occupation: Fire Commissioner since 1998; King County Police/

Corrections/Manager 1984-2008

Statement: I proudly serve you as a Fire Commissioner and ask for your vote. My goal is a third manned station on Big Rock Road to better cover areas near Lake Marcel. The new manned station on Cherry Valley Road expanded timely responses to 96% of the District; insurance ratings improved from 9 to 4/5, with savings on homeowners insurance.

Lioined our department as a Volunteer Firefighter & EMT in 1983. When elected Commissioner in 1998, we started growing from a volunteer organization with one downtown station to a career department with 24 paid Firefighters and 7 staff manning 2 stations full-time.

KCFD45's finances are stable and cost effective; Firefighters, training and equipment are our first priority. Thanks to them, our save rate is among the highest in the U.S. I firmly believe in continuing free emergency patient transport to hospitals. Thank you for your support and your vote.

#### Michelle Orndorf

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**Education:** Accounting

Occupation: Account Manager, Water District 119 Commissioner Statement: I have called Duvall home for 30 years and have held many positions in service to our community. Most recently, as a Water District 119 Commissioner. As a Fire Commissioner, I will provide leadership and ensure financial health and stability. I will work to modernize District policy to provide a framework that assists firefighters in doing their jobs safely and effectively.

Our firefighters serve Duvall with skill and compassion. It is incumbent on Fire District management to ensure the safety and well-being of our firefighters. For example: Implementing a modern wellness program, including cancer prevention and detection, is warranted. Furthermore, in order to increase transparency and public participation in decision making, I will improve access to meetings and innovate mechanisms for public feedback.

Endorsed by Duvall firefighters and others, please visit my website: www.orndorf4commish.com. I would be honored to serve as your Fire Commissioner.

# **Anjela Barton**

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**Education:** Fire Protection Engineering (University of Maryland); Police Staff & Command/Public Administration (Northwestern & UW)

**Occupation:** Renton Fire Marshal; formerly Assistant State Fire Marshal; USAF Veteran

**Statement:** I believe in transparent government, where people are ethical and held accountable. From my perspective, not everyone shares those values. Fire Commissioners should *always* recuse themselves from issues where they might benefit personally, such as a merger agreement with another fire department—in which they happen to work.

During my 32 years in the fire service, I've managed policy, budget, and operations—experience I'll use to help Woodinville Fire improve efficiency and effectiveness, while serving you. The contract with Eastside Fire is a good start, providing enhanced training and career growth for firefighters while saving taxpayers \$15 million.

As a Fire Marshal, I'm also aware of impacts that fire regulations have on local businesses and will work to minimize burdens. Finally, I'll bring diversity to the board and work for inclusivity. I'm proud to be supported by so many local businesses and community leaders, and I will donate any compensation I receive.

# Tim Osgood

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**Education:** Attended Edmonds College **Occupation:** Retired Firefighter

**Statement:** When you first elected me to serve as a Fire Commissioner in November 1997, our newly formed City had annexed for fire protection services with the District. We were also facing uncertainty of future annexations of portions of the District by other bordering cities. Additionally, we needed to provide a well matched and positioned workforce.

We've been able to enjoy a Gold Standard department at every level. We are well trained, staffed and capable of handling the majority of our first alarm responses. We enjoy strong financial independence, have no debt, we own everything we have and are amongst the lowest tax collection rates consistently, year after year.

I am concerned about our anticipated rapid growth downtown, our continued Wildland Fire readiness and proper execution of the recently signed ILA with Eastside Fire. Should you return me to office, I pledge my continued focus and energy in your best interest.

#### Commissioner Position No. 5

# **Roger Collins**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Construction Management, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Founder & Owner, Sierra Construction Company; US Air Force Pilot

**Statement:** Having lived in the same house on Hollywood Hill for 35 years, where Kim, my wife of 40 years, and I raised two daughters, I bring an unbiased and independent voice to WF&R. I am not beholden to any special interests, labor organizations or campaign contributors. I only represent my neighbors: the citizens of Woodinville.

This election is about maintaining independent control of your fire district. As a local business owner, I ask you to help me continue to bring fiscally sound management to the district which provides the latest in fire equipment and maintains the excellent level of service we all enjoy, not simply to be a spokesperson for the employees' bargaining group.

Endorsed by: Mike Millman – Woodinville City Council, retired Everett firefighter; Derek van Veen - Woodinville Fire Commissioner; Jim Dorney – Previous Woodinville Fire Commissioner, Retired Bellevue Fire Battalion Chief; Elaine Cook – Previous Woodinville Mayor.

#### **Art Cole**

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**Education:** University of Washington School of Medicine Paramedic Program

Occupation: Retired Fire Chief, Current Costco Employee Statement: Our community deserves a Commissioner with Transparency, Integrity and Leadership while being fiscally responsible to the taxpayers. I spent 40 years in the fire service, rising from Firefighter/Paramedic to Fire Chief, and have extensive knowledge regarding the day-to-day operations of a Fire District and its responsibility to the public.

I started two 501(c)(3) nonprofits to provide emergency housing for families displaced due to fire, a backpack program for kids who needed school supplies, scholarships for young adults, and holiday meals, and have received local and national awards for my work ethic and leadership skills.

My wife and I have lived in the community for 24 years and raised our two children here. I will work hard to ensure our Fire District operates efficiently and effectively, always keeping the best interests of our community as the primary goal. I would be honored to earn your vote and serve our Fire District.

# **Douglas Kunkel**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Geology, Master's in Hydrogeology - University of Idaho

**Occupation:** Principal Hydrogeologist - TRC Environmental Corporation

Statement: Coal Creek Utility District ratepayers deserve responsive and respectful customer service and high quality water and sewer services at reasonable rates that provide value to them and their families. Our district has some of the best maintained and most up to date infrastructure in Washington and I'm proud to have had the opportunity to be part of the successful management of that essential public asset. My 30+ years in consulting engineering gives me an understanding of the technical aspects of the operation of the district's water and sewer systems and I enjoy using my education and experience to represent the interests of our ratepayers.

It has truly been a privilege and pleasure to represent our district's ratepayers. I respectfully ask for your vote so I may continue to serve the ratepayers and work with the district to provide the best possible water and sewer service while striving to control costs.

# **David Lyons**

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**Education:** Bachelors in Computer Science **Occupation:** Business Analyst, Writer

Statement: As a father, I know that the minimum federal standards are outdated and insufficient. I want to help us hold our utilities to a higher standard. A healthier standard for ourselves and for our children. Raising awareness is one step of that - a good first step. But we cannot and should not wait for the federal government to react on matters where health and safety is an issue, such as our drinking water. We should lead the way in making our utilities safer and healthier. We can provide the example that will help push the people of our country to demand better. To demand more from the tax dollars they pay.

#### Alvin Materi



**Education:** Bachelor's in Business Administration, Western Washington University; Master's in Business Administration, University of Puget Sound

Occupation: Retired Financial Analyst, Boeing Company

**Statement:** My family and I have been residents of Water District 90 for 18 years and every time we have turned the water on it has been safe, clear and affordable. We need to maintain this water distribution system and safe supply for all customers and future generations.

It has been my honor to serve as current Water Commissioner Position
1. I am strongly committed to our community and maintaining this great water system. You have my commitment to continue ensuring district water supplies remain safe, infrastructure remains in good working order, we have long term plans for infrastructure replacement, keep rates affordable and that we are prepared for future challenges.

My 39 years of experience in Business and Accounting, long range planning, budget management and rate management provide the knowledge and tools to represent my neighbors and all district customers in overseeing our Water District. Thank you for your vote.

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

#### Sam V. Amira



**Education:** Highline College, Central Washington University, US Army Reserves Supply-Logistics Management

**Occupation:** Boeing Property Manager-Retired, Accountant Specialist, Army Master Sergeant-Retired

Statement: Resident of the District for the past 35 years. Is the current incumbent Commissioner, Position #3 of Water District #90. His 43 years experience at the Boeing Company in asset management, cost accounting, capital budgeting, government auditing and project management are invaluable for overseeing the operation of the Water District. This is further supplemented by his 37 years of military service in the US Army Reserves where he specialized in logistics, property and supply management activities. He is also active in the Washington Association of Sewer/Water Districts where he holds the position of treasurer and has achieved the Gold level status in the Commissioner's Accreditation program. Sam strives for the highest possible water quality while maintaining lowest possible rates for our customers. As a Commissioner for 12 years, Sam has been President, VP and Secretary during his time on the Board. Please vote for Sam Amira, Commissioner, Position#3.

# **Thomas Gething**

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



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# Jeff Ingram

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**Education:** Central Washington University

Occupation: Real Estate Broker

**Statement:** I have been honored to work for King County Water District No. 123 as a Water Commissioner for the last two years, and I look forward to continuing to serve the water needs for the community of Preston.

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

# **Chris Martin**

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

#### Aleksandra Kachakov

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**Education:** Master of Business Administration (MBA), Cleveland State University; Master of Arts, Veliko Tarnovo University

Occupation: Consultant, Slalom

Statement: I have more than 18 years of experience in developing, managing, and consulting various organizations. I served the City of Bellevue Water Utilities running the administrative, customer services, and corporate strategies departments. I am highly experienced in solving complex problems, enhancing services, supporting customers, improving investments, and building trust.

I would like to continue as your Woodinville Water District Commissioner so *I can give back to my community in a very meaningful way.* Delivering safe, reliable water and sewer is an essential service and the livelihood and health of the people depend on it. Providing this essential service requires responsible, effective, efficient, and coherent management of infrastructure, customer expectations and regional relationships. I believe that with *my experience in water utility management and business consulting* I will bring diversity to the Board of Commissioners team of experts and help the District achieve its mission.

I humbly ask for your vote.

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

# **Pam Maloney**

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**Education:** Washington State University, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering; Leadership Tomorrow Alumna

Occupation: Water Resources Engineer

**Statement:** As a 34-year resident of the District, I care about the quality and cost of utility services. I am running for re-election to ensure the District continues to meet its mission of providing safe and reliable water and sewer service at the lowest responsible cost.

My career as a water resources planning manager makes me well-qualified to help manage the District's assets to keep costs down and services high. I support a sustainable approach that plans for cost effective system replacement and demands fiscal accountability. I consider the interests of rural *and* urban customers; support a long-term management approach that keeps our rates competitive; and will help prepare the District for the future with smart approaches to service delivery.

I've worked 39+ years as a professional civil engineer in the public and private waterworks industry, focused on meeting current and future customers' water and sewer needs.

#### **Chuck Clarke**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Pacific Lutheran University, Masters of Business Administration, Pacific Lutheran University

Occupation: Retired

Statement: As the current president of the Woodinville Water District Board of Commissioners, I look forward to continuing to advocate for regional cost controls. As your Commissioner, I will continue my life-long commitment to public service by listening to your issues and needs assuring that the District wisely stewards your resources for today and the future. I am personally invested in the quality of our drinking water having resided in the District since 1994 and will work to protect the quality of our drinking water and effectively manage our wastewater. I bring unique knowledge and skills from over 40 years in the water and wastewater field. In my career, I served as the Director of EPA Region Ten, Director of the Washington State Departments of Ecology and Community Development, Director of Seattle Public Utilities and CEO of Cascade Water Alliance, a municipal corporation consisting of cities and water and sewer districts.

#### Anh Vo

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**Education:** M.A. Applied Behavioral Science, Leadership & Organizational Development, Bastyr University

Occupation: Organizational Development Consultant and Executive Coach Statement: My family and I have been deeply rooted in Sammamish for the last 24 years. My kids went to Eastside Catholic and we all trained at True Martial Arts. I have been an active member in the community volunteering with the City of Sammamish, Sammamish Chamber of Commerce, 4th on the Plateau, and as board member for the SAMMI Awards.

I am running for this board position to serve the Sammamish community that I care deeply about. I will bring to this office my extensive experience of leading initiatives, collaborating with others to achieve shared goals, and communicating priorities to ensure alignment with those goals.

I believe environmental stewardship is a key part of this position and know that what we decide will have great impact. My goals are to protect Sammamish's water resources *long term*, represent *your voice* in our community, and keep *Sammamish green and clean*.

#### **Nav Otal**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Biochemistry, University of British Columbia; Master of Business Administration, City University

**Occupation:** Utilities Director, City of Bellevue; Commissioner, Sammamish Plateau Water District

**Statement:** As your current commissioner and a 30-year resident of the district, I continuously advocate for Utilities as essential services that are critical to our daily lives. For the last 25 years, I've devoted my career to public service in the utility industry, specifically water and sewer. I have extensive experience in managing all aspects of a large utility, including operations, financial management and long-range infrastructure planning.

Our community is facing critical water quality and sewer capacity issues. As an accomplished Utility leader and an experienced policy maker, I will work to ensure that we deliver high quality water and sewer services that are safe, reliable and affordable, now and in the future. I will partner with Sammamish, Issaquah and regional leaders to work for the betterment of our communities.

Endorsements: Sammamish Mayor Karen Moran; Issaquah Mayor Mary Lou Pauly; Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson; Sammamish Plateau Water Board President Ryika Hooshangi

#### Commissioner Position No. 5

# **Mary Shustov**

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**Education:** B.S. Civil Engineering, Water Resources, California Polytechnic University; Registered Civil Engineer

**Occupation:** Commissioner, Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District

**Statement:** For the last 20 + years, my family and I have made the Sammamish Plateau our home. Ours is such a beautiful and forward thinking community, and I thank you for having elected me to serve these past 3 terms as your representative.

My qualifications include 18 years serving our local community on the Sammamish Plateau Water Board, as well as 20 years of experience in technology, water-related design, and public policy in both the public and private sectors.

I appreciate your vote once again, and will continue to *listen* and to *commit* to ensuring fair, equitable, and economical policies for all of our District's many water and sewer customers – single family, multifamily, and commercial – inside and outside the Sammamish and Issaquah city limits; and remain dedicated to handling District policy decisions in a transparent and inclusive way.

#### **Paul Sentena**



**Education:** University of Colorado **Occupation:** Retired IT Manager

Statement: It is my honor to serve this exceptional water and sewer district. We are fortunate enough to serve our community with services supported by state-of-the-art technology and provide you with the personal attention needed to respond to a crisis. We are a national pioneer of "ShakeAlert," an earthquake warning system, which helps preserve our water if an earthquake occurs. Yet, we are small enough to respond quickly when a wedding ring falls down the drain and needs to be rescued. I am committed to working to maintain the outstanding character of our district.

#### **Northshore Utility District**

#### Commissioner Position No. 3

#### **David Arthur**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Simon Fraser University, Doctor of Chiropractic, Cum Laude, University of Western States

Occupation: Small Business Owner and Clinician, Health Care Clinic Statement: I have served the Northshore community for over 20 years as a health care provider and small business owner.. My experience over those years has taught me to be fiscally responsible while maintaining exceptional customer service. I plan to bring a diverse and inclusive perspective to the Board of Commissioners..

I look forward to making the Northshore Utility District (NUD) a leader in water conservation, sustainability, environmental responsibility and fiscal accountability. Safe, available drinking water and sewer service are fundamental to our growing community. I plan on making sure the NUD is prepared for and able to defend potential ransomware attacks.

I look forward to bringing my business experience and diverse perspective to the Board of Commissioners. As your next Commissioner I am committed to prioritizing affordable rates, exceptional customer service, fiscal responsibility and strategic infrastructure investments. I would be honored to serve as your next Commissioner.

# **Matt Breysse**

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**Education:** BA, Western Washington University; Teachers Certification, Seattle Pacific University; Masters in Administration, Western Washington University

Occupation: Teacher, Lake Washington School District

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to represent you on the Northshore Utility District's Board of Commissioners. During my time on the board, I have learned a lot and look forward to continuing our work to ensure our customers effective and quality utility services.

Northshore Utility District is one of the best run utility districts in the state. Our rates are among the lowest in King County and our highly trained employees work with state-of -art equipment to provide the best service possible. To make sure all our customers have access to our services, I helped create a low-income discount program, which allows us to provide the same great service to all people in our service area.

I am committed to ensuring high quality water and sewer services at the lowest cost with an ongoing concern for sustainability, and environmental stewardship. Your vote will allow me to work towards these goals.

#### Commissioner District No. 2

# Jim Griggs

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, Accounting Major, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant, Licensed Washington State; Commander, U.S. Navy (Retired)

**Statement:** Elected to the Board of Commissioners in 2019; gaining the confidence of fellow commissioners I'm currently President of the Board of Commissioners and Chair the Finance & Audit Committee.

Re-Elect me as your Hospital Commissioner. I promise to continue making informed decisions based on facts and data. Any decision I make will be in the best interest of our Valley community. I'll ensure Valley provides high quality, affordable health care to our community while remaining financially viable. Any decision I make will be in the best interest of our Valley community.

I'll fight to ensure control of Valley remains local, through the elected Commissioners. I'll ensure our tax dollars are spent here, in the district, to benefit our community.

My leadership and management skills developed over 34 years with the Washington State Auditor's Office, plus my 30 years (active & reserve) military service make me the most uniquely qualified candidate to provide the oversight and leadership needed to ensure Valley is accountable to the citizens. I'll be your watchdog, like I was for the State Auditors' Office. I'll be your eyes and ears to provide the management oversight needed to ensure Valley is managed and operated as efficiently and effectively as possible while providing high quality healthcare to our community. I've lived in the district 30+ years, my daughter was born at Valley, my family doctors are at Valley. Valley is an important community resource; let's protect and ensure it benefits our community, the community that supports it with our tax dollars.

I've served the nation in the military, including a tour of duty in Iraq, I've served the State as an Auditor, let me continue serving you as your elected Hospital Commissioner. Re-Elect me as your representative to the Valley Board of Commissioners. Together, we can move Valley forward.

#### **Dustin Lambro**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Politics, Whitman College; extensive training/certification in mediation and negotiations

**Occupation:** President, King County Labor Council, worker advocate and community leader

**Statement:** My family has lived in Renton since the 1890s. I live in the Talbot Hill neighborhood just south of Valley Medical Center. As a first time candidate, I am running for office this year for two main reasons: to restore local control of Valley to the taxpayers and to be a voice on the Commission for frontline hospital workers and their patients.

Elected commissioners of our Public Hospital District gave up local control on issues that affect our community like patient care, staffing and taxing authority. They ceded that power to UW Medicine way back in 2011. This election is about whether we restore local control to the taxpayers, or we don't. It may very well require changing state law, and I am the only candidate in this race who has the proven track record and experience to mount a campaign to go get that done.

I am proud to be endorsed by the King County Democrats and leaders who know me and my work like Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Congressman Adam Smith, and many other leaders throughout South King County (see my website for a comprehensive list). Most importantly, I am proud to have earned the support of SEIU 1199NW, the Union of nurses and health care professionals at Valley. During the middle of the pandemic this last year, the hospital suspended retirement contributions for workers at Valley. Bad decisions like that jeopardize quality patient care, and frontline workers know that would not happen on my watch.

Ultimately, here is my pledge to you: if I am unable to restore local control of our hospital to the voters, then I won't seek another term. It's that simple. Valley Medical Center is a great institution with fantastic people, and with your help I know we will make it even better!

#### Commissioner District No. 3

# Rita J. Miller

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**Education:** Master's Library Science, USC: Master's Nursing Idaho State University; Ph.D. Education, University of Idaho.

**Occupation:** Retired nursing professor, registerd nurse, WA. resident since 2008.

Statement: My first job was as a Medical Librarian in a large teaching hospital providing medical information to doctors, residents, nurses and other hospital personnel. I am currently retired and was appointed in June,2021 to fill a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners. I am running to fill the remaining four years of the term. My priorities are making sure Valley provides the best medical care possible and that our nurses, technicians and other medical staff are paid fairly. I also want to return control of Valley to the elected commissioners to make sure the hospital is accountable.

As a professor of nursing, I first taught at a community college and after I received my Ph.D in education, I helped create an accelerated Bachalaureate nursing program at Idaho State University in which I coordinated and taught for several years. After moving to WA in 2008, I taught nursing at Green River Community College until I retired.

It is troubling to me that control of Valley was transferred in 2011 from the five elected commissioners to a thirteen-member Board of Trustees comprised of the five elected Commissioners and eight UW appointees - so the elected commissioners do not have control of Valley. If you elect me, I promise not to mislead you about who controls Valley until the elected commissioners actually regain control.

From my background, I understand the nuances of accountability to the community within the hospital district and to our patients who rely upon the hospital for their wellness needs. I want to be part of Valleys bright future. I hope I can count on your vote.

## Monique Taylor-Swan

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Education: Health Training Institute, Highline College

**Occupation:** Certified Home Care Aide, Board Member Caregivers Union SEIU 775

**Statement:** My kids were born at Valley and I care deeply about the future of Valley. Seeing the way our district has changed because of UW Medicine and *COVID-19* trouble me because our residents are not receiving the respect they deserve. As a board member of SEIU 775 that represents thousands of home health care workers across Washington, I know first-hand how proper staffing means better patient care.

As your Hospital district 1 commissioner, I will work hard to represent and advocate for the residents of Hospital district 1. As a member of the community, I believe in teamwork - it takes to make a community health and prosperous, just as quality healthcare requires. We need administration that supports and provides quality o care.

As your commissioner, my priorities are for everyone who lives and works in our communities to have access to the best health care available, returning control of Valley back to the elected commissioners, reducing the pay of overpriced executives and using the savings to increase pay for nurses and staff.

As a member of the Renton Inclusion Task Force I am committed to ensuring that Valley has a diverse workforce and treats all residents fairly. We should conduct a comprehensive analysis using an *inclusion* and *equity* lens. Ongoing training workshops on *culturally competent care* is the key. Working together we can bring improvements to Valley for the people in this district. I have a passion to fight for a just and fair society and I want to set an example for other hospitals in the region.

If you elect me as your commissioner, I will bring the vote back to the community and let the people decide for themselves how their care should be. Your vote matters and I hope I've earned it.

#### **Katie Bachand**

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Education: College Grad with Doula training from Seattle Midwifery

School and Bastyr University

Occupation: Birth and Postpartum Doula

**Statement:** I would like to represent you as *your* Hospital

Commissioner!

Control of Valley Medical Center was taken away from *your elected* Commissioners and given to appointed Trustees controlled by UW Medicine. These Trustees lack accountability and have a track record of raising salaries at the top and reducing salaries of hospital staff. I want to stop the Trustees from taking your property taxes to fund whatever they deem to be necessary expenditures, including the salary of the CEO, without a vote from the Board of Commissioners! The dedicated doctors, nurses, and supporting staff should be compensated fairly for the life-giving work they do.

One goal as your Hospital Commissioner is to return control of our Hospital District to the voters who support Valley Medical Center with their tax dollars. I am a health care professional and care deeply about our patients and want the best possible health care for all in our Hospital District. I have had medical emergencies and Valley's exceptional medical staff saved my life and have also helped members of my own family.

My husband and I have lived in Kent since 1986, where we have raised our 5 children, dogs, cats, and chickens. Our children attended Kent public schools. We are active in our church and in community groups. Working as a Birth and Postpartum Doula since 1983, I have assisted many clients giving birth at Valley's Birth Center. Valley is one of only eight hospitals in Washington that is an accredited "Baby-Friendly Hospital," which is what new parents are looking for when choosing where to birth their babies!

Valley is an important community asset supported through *your* property taxes. We need to ensure it has active oversight to benefit *our* community and the health care professionals who work there. I appreciate your vote!

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#### Commissioner District No. 1

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

# Al DeYoung

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**Education:** No information submitted. **Occupation:** No information submitted.

Statement: Having been a resident of the Northshore area all my life and having served on the EvergreenHealth Board for many years has provided me the opportunity to recognize the importance of providing quality healthcare for our community. I have been able to work for and see EvergreenHealth grow from a small Community Hospital into the major Medical Center that it is today. EvergreenHealth now provides many services such as Home and Hospice Care, a Family Maternity Center, an Outpatient Surgery Center, new facilities for the Booth Gardner Parkinson and the Multiple Sclerosis Centers, the Halvorson Cancer Center, and a new Intensive Care Unit. These services and facilities are all a reality because of the support from our community for EvergreenHealth.

EvergreenHealth is your community Hospital and it is rated among the top 5% of Hospitals for quality in the United States. This outstanding award is for many areas of service, such as stroke, cancer care, and many other areas. My goal as your Hospital Commissioner is to see that EvergreenHealth continues to provide the quality, innovative, and cost-effective care with a complete range of services that our community needs and deserves. Thank you for giving me the privilege of serving as your Public Hospital Commissioner.

#### Charles A. Pilcher

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**Education:** BS, Mathematics, Duke University; MD, University of Washington School of Medicine

**Occupation:** Emergency Physician & ER Medical Director (Retired); Board Member EvergreenHealth

**Statement:** Serving our community as an Emergency Physician and Commissioner (Board Member) at EvergreenHealth remains an honor. Being the only physician on the Board brings a valuable patient care perspective to the issues we face.

At the beginning of my tenure, I created and have chaired our Board Quality and Safety Committee. I enlisted community members with expertise in aviation, technology and industry to help guide us from a community hospital to a highly respected regional medical center, ranked by Healthgrades in 2020 as one of "America's 50 Best Hospitals." We were also recognized by the CDC, DOH and SKCHD for our team's response to the Covid19 pandemic as we became educators for the rest of the nation for our early experience with critically ill patients.

We take pride in our unique committee of over 40 Community Advisors who meet monthly to receive information and provide input to our Board and executive leadership. That has helped us build a first-class culture that allows us to recruit our amazing staff and reduce employee turnover.

I also serve on our Board Construction, Planning and Strategy Committee, helping to oversee and manage the costs of developing new projects and programs. I also represent Evergreen on the board of the Eastside Health Alliance, a project to improve quality and reduce costs and duplication of services in neurology and cardiology.

I commit to you, our taxpayers, to keep the hospital's tax rate as low as possible while insuring that Evergreen is truly working "to enrich the health and well-being of every life we touch." I am endorsed by firefighters, paramedics, community leaders and neighbors. I look forward to continuing to serve you as we face the opportunities and challenges of healthcare reform and hope that I have earned your trust and your vote.

# **Katie Grainger**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in English, Wofford College; Master's in Cultural Studies, University of Washington

Occupation: Senior Consultant in healthcare, Valence

Statement: I am an advocate for health in our community by promoting awareness for autoimmune diseases and fundraising for cancer research. Having worked in clinical care operations for the third-largest non-profit health system in the United States, I see both the challenges facing healthcare and possibilities for reform. I intend to help make healthcare better for all Americans. That starts with impacting decisions made at the local level.

As someone who lives with a chronic disease and is the healthcare agent of a parent, I know firsthand the struggles of navigating a complex system that is not always affordable or accessible. I don't need to be the medical expert in the room to provide governance that positively impacts our community. I will bring experts together with the people of District 2, so everyone is heard.

As your Public Hospital Commissioner, I will listen with intent and lead by example, being honest and transparent with the public. Most importantly, I will commit to making decisions that are in the best interest of our community.

Our future depends on healthcare, and I respectfully ask for your vote to help make a difference.

Katie Grainger has been endorsed by the National Women's Political Caucus of Washington state and the Legislative District 48 Democrats.

## **David Speikers**

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**Education:** B.S. University of Minnesota 1984, Juris Doctorate Seattle University 1989

Occupation: Attorney, resident and practicing in Valley since 2002

**Statement:** I am proud to serve as your commissioner for the past 14 years, 1/2 as the finance chair. Your hospital has grown from 60 to 300+ employees and nearly a \$50,000,000 budget. The District had its first ever positive bottom line in 2019 and is on its way again in 2021.

We offer full imaging, Emergency services, 24 hour urgent care, clinics and many specialties serving nearly 30,000 patients every year. In addition, we provide over \$1 million in charity care each year. Puget Sound Physicians (same as Overlake's ER) now contracted to provide excellent emergency services since December, 2020.

King County Health has designated your hospital as the preferred site for East King County vaccinations. We have administered over 12,000 COVID vaccines: children can get an appointment so that they can go back to school. I will continue to keep transparency while placing great importance on excellent service. David

#### Commissioner Position No. 5

# Kevin J. Hauglie

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**Education:** Chartered Leadership Fellow (CLF) from the American College in Philadelphia

Occupation: Business Owner 36 years. Insurance and Financial Services Statement: As a retired volunteer Firefighter/EMT of 25 years, it has been my privilege to again serve our Hospital District. Previously, I served for nine years on this board. Access to quality progressive care is important more than ever during this Covid Pandemic and managing through its variants. Our team is here and ready to serve the communities we support.

Financially we are strong and with our management agreement with Overlake Hospital to head our Emergency department, we are truely in a ready position to respond to emergencies. Our rehabilitation unit is recognized as a leader on the Eastside. This year we hired a new CEO Renee Jensen and together with our entire staff we are providing leading care. Staying informed on all issues of our hospital and clinics is my objective.

Thank you for your support and it is an honor to continue serving in this capacity.

#### Sue Holbink

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**Education:** MPA, State University NY; BS Nursing, University of Connecticut; AA Mechanical Engineering, RIT

Occupation: Small Business Owner – Online Software Development Statement: As a resident of Fall City for over 25 years I have volunteered on many projects including stream restoration, tree planting, leading hikes locally and regionally. For the past several years, I have volunteered as a KC Parks Trail Ambassador. Recently, I have been appointed to vacated a Fall City Parks Commissioner position.

As a long time member of the Fall City Community Association, I am familiar with many of the issues facing our community. Maintaining and improving upon the preservation of open space and parks in our Park District has become increasingly important to assure that we have publicly owned spaces to be used by all to enjoy recreation, social interaction, and the outdoors.

My passion for hiking and biking fuels my interest in continuing to work towards trail connections within Fall City Parks District and to the larger Regional Trail System. I appreciate your vote.

#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### **Kirk Harris**

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**Education:** B.S. Civil Engineering; University of Washington **Occupation:** Professional Engineer / Project Manager

**Statement:** I have sincerely appreciated the opportunity to serve our Fall City community as one of its Park District Commissioners. I am asking for your vote so that I may continue to work with care to preserve and enhance our local parks and trails within the District.

I am proud of what has been collectively accomplished on projects such as the future West Side Trail and future Bernard Park. Thankfully we have been able to collaborate with different funding partners, public agencies, and non-profit organizations to bring these projects closer to completion.

As always, I remain committed to having the District operated in a fiscally responsible manner and to basing my decisions upon input from our community. I look forward to continuing our work with the community and its stakeholders to improve park and trail elements in and around Fall City.

#### Steve Kasner

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**Education:** Master in Teaching, SPU; JD, Seattle University, BA Business, University of Washington; Graduate, Bellevue Essentials

**Occupation:** Retired Teacher and Lawyer, Former Chair East Bellevue Community Council

Statement: Bellevue is changing rapidly, and East Bellevue needs a visionary leader to ensure that neighborhood values are protected while supporting this change. Steve has a history of getting results in Bellevue. As East Bellevue Community Council Chair, Steve worked to revitalize the Lake Hills and Kelsey Creek shopping centers. Also, as a Park Board representative, he helped site a multi-generational recreational facility for South Bellevue. As Vice President of the Lake Hills Neighborhood Association, he has facilitated programming for our neighbors to learn about local issues and build community.

Looking forward he will collaborate with our residents, businesses, and the city to update our Lake Hills neighborhood plan, thus ensuring responsible development which conforms to our vision for this beautiful natural area.

Endorsed by: Democrats for Diversity and Inclusion, King County Council Chair Claudia Balducci, State Representative My Linh Thai, Bellevue City Council member John Stokes.

#### Council Position No. 2

# **Betsi Hummer**

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**Education:** I'm a Bellevue native; graduated from Bellevue High, Seattle University (BA), University Puget Sound (MBA)

Occupation: I work for EBCC constituents and as a FredMeyer Associate Statement: I am Betsi Hummer, running for a third term as East Bellevue Community Councilmember Position 2 - a volunteer, non-partisan, elected position.

My colleagues entrusted me to serve as Chair for the past four years. Each East Bellevue resident has my steadfast commitment. City Council and Planning Commission meetings are my second job; I pay close attention to issues that will impact the East Bellevue jurisdiction and come before EBCC for review and vote. City priorities - outreach, safety, traffic, affordable housing, homelessness, development - that will impact constituents and their distinct neighborhoods are my main focus.I carefully study every issue to ensure the best representation for all. To inform EBCC constituents and foster community engagement, I post on Nextdoor.com and visit neighborhoods, Constituents' interests are reflected in my comments and vote.I encourage you to vote to continue EBCC, and I ask for your vote.

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#### Council Position No. 3

# Hassan Dhananjaya

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**Education:** Master in Computer Applications **Occupation:** Manage a team at a large retailer

**Statement:** I am a long time Bellevue resident having lived in this beautiful city for almost 28 years. Our two boys were born here and have benefited from the excellent area public schools. As a family we have enjoyed picking blueberries in season, biking on the neighborhood trails and shopping at the businesses within the East Bellevue Community Council boundary.

As a current EBCC council member, I have come to appreciate the role EBCC plays in ensuring the voice of the constituents is heard on land use matters. My career has been in the Information Technology space and in helping organizations transform to meet new challenges. If elected to the EBCC, I would like to work with the various stakeholders to help make Bellevue a City we can be proud of in the future as well.

#### Council Position No. 4

## Ron Epstein

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Education: BA Communications, UW

Occupation: Software sales/support, retired

**Statement:** It's nice to meet you! Bellevue's continued growth creates competitive demands for the use of land. Can we balance greenbelt and housing demands while addressing homelessness and maintaining viable neighborhoods? Yes making the right decisions will ensure that the city continues to be a great place to live.

The East Bellevue Community Council is empowered by state law with approval/disapproval authority over certain land-use actions in part of East Bellevue. I was appointed to the EBCC last October and elected by my peers to serve as vice chair in February.

I have lived in Bellevue 24 years. In my professional experience I helped clients solve problems using teamwork and collaboration to get things done. I know how important it is to study issues carefully to make the best choices for our constituents. I look forward to serving my community in this position. Thank you for your vote.

## **Ross Gooding**

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**Education:** Bachelors Science USAF Academy Masters Business Wright State University

Occupation: Financial Planner and Wealth Management Advisor

Statement: Hello Neighbors! As a proud Bellevue resident of 25 years, and with14 years experience serving neighbors as an EBCC member, I am uniquely qualified and excited to continue to provide leadership on the EBCC and I am asking for your support. Our goal is to continue to keep Bellevue the beautiful, welcoming city that my family, including wife Anne and two high school students, Katherine and Andrew, have grown to love and call home. With an influx of new employees and residents in Bellevue, our council will continue to represent you in preserving Bellevue as the city within a Park, and in maintaining the enduring qualities that make Bellevue special and unique. We will continue to focus on keeping our neighborhoods safe, our roads and transportation flowing, and preserve the civic spirit that unites us. Thank you again, I am grateful for your support.

#### Chiho Lai

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**Education:** MBA, University of North Alabama; BA, Western Washington University; Graduate, MIHS

**Occupation:** Corporate Controller (Director of Finance & Administration) **Statement:** I am an Eastside native and a Lake Hills resident since 2008. I'll bring a *fresh* voice and energy to the council that reflects our vibrant and diverse community, from long-time residents like myself to new families, renters, and young professionals.

As a current Lake Hills Neighborhood Association Board Member, a former gubernatorial appointee, and 2 term Bellevue Library Board Member; I've built collaborative and constructive relationships with city, regional, and state leaders that will help me be an effective advocate for East Bellevue. As the controller for a global engineering firm with clients in over 60 countries, working with different cultures and backgrounds is vital in my profession. I will use those same skills to connect with our diverse neighbors here.

Proudly endorsed by Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson, King County Council Chair Claudia Balducci, State Representative My-Linh Thai and Community Councilmember Steve Kasner. *I ask for your vote too* 

# **Bill Goggins**

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**Education:** Seattle University, MBA; Polytechnic Institute of New York, BS Engineering; Leadership Eastside, Class of 2011

Occupation: Supply Chain Program Manager

**Statement:** Serving Houghton as your councilmember is an honor and privilege, allowing me to preserve Houghton's charm and livability as well as our property rights.

As a councilmember, retired Marine Corps Reserve Colonel and former volunteer probation officer for Bellevue, I have a proven record as a leader. Houghton is a diverse neighborhood, welcoming to all. As a 30-year Houghton resident who has journeyed the world over for military and business travel, I realize more than most just how much of a gem Houghton is. The Houghton Council is empowered to ensure that Houghton's residents have an inclusive voice in important land use decisions. I listened when residents said that marijuana stores shouldn't be allowed within 100 feet of preschools and when they said that zoning shouldn't be changed to allow duplexes and triplexes throughout Houghton without due process.

Your vote will allow me to continue to stand up for Houghton.

# **Aaron Jacobson**

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**Education:** Law, Economics, & Public Policy and Computer Science Bachelors; Data Science Masters (Completion March 2022)

Occupation: Software Engineer

**Statement:** With our parks, shops, and proximity to high-paying jobs, our neighborhoods represent the best of Kirkland. Unfortunately, the lack of transportation options and the housing crisis show how our planning policies fail to meet all of our needs. These issues continue because the council listens to those they agree with *instead of the community as a whole*.

If elected, I will work with community members and the city government to remove the policies that lower our quality of life. Allowing more people to live closer to work will reduce emissions and traffic congestion. Ensuring every street has sidewalks and street lights will improve safety and walkability. Letting homeowners build neighborhood stores will make our community more livable and generate extra income for homeowners. With your support, we can ensure everyone is safe, housed, and enjoys a high quality of life.

Endorsements: State Representatives Walen and Slatter, State Senator Kuderer

#### Council Position No. 2

# **Betsy Pringle**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in English, Bachelor of Science in

Journalism

Occupation: Senior Editor, Quarto Publishing

**Statement:** I've seen many changes since I moved to Kirkland in 1984. I serve on the Houghton Community Council because I believe we can embrace growth, encourage diversity, and promote local businesses and institutions while preserving the environmental aspects that make the former city of Houghton such a jewel.

I enjoy digging into the language of proposed land use regulations, and I feel it's my duty—and privilege—to look for unforeseen consequences that might result from seemingly innocuous land use decisions. Sniffing out these details oftentimes results in improved regulations throughout Kirkland.

Kirkland is a beautiful city with much to offer. I believe the ongoing work of the Houghton Community Council helps to keep Kirkland the charming and livable city it is.

# **B. Rick Whitney**

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

#### Council Position No. 4

# **Ruth Wright**

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**Education:** BA in Business Administration (Accounting), California State University, Fullerton; Master's in Teaching, CSU Fullerton **Occupation:** Retired, Small Business Owner, Residential Property Manager

**Statement:** I believe that having active members of a community is vital to that community's success. I like to be involved in our community to help it be a great place to live and work. I can devote my time and energy to helping others and giving back. It is a good way to support my neighbors and do what I can to improve our neighborhoods.

Being a member of the Houghton Community Council for the past two years, I have tried to be a conduit where citizens of Houghton can express themselves and be heard. Local government is a great way to be in touch directly with people from the community. There are times when Houghton has different planning issues than the City of Kirkland. The Houghton Community Council, which is composed of Houghton citizens, is better equipped to understand the specialized needs of Houghton and its citizens.

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#### Council Position No. 5

# John Kappler

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Education: BA of Architecture

Occupation: Architectural Firm Business Owner

Statement: I am a practicing architect and a business owner. Over the past 35 years, I have been involved in the creation of hundreds of neighborhoods and thousands of homes in the Pacific Northwest. I have a professional understanding of the built environment as well as the building and zoning codes that regulate them. During my tenure of serving on the Houghton Community Council, I have had the opportunity to participate in the review of the Kirkland Zoning Codes that affect the Houghton Community. I believe I have made a difference in balancing the regulations with the protection of property rights and the preservation of the community's visual fabric that all of us enjoy. I would appreciate your vote so that I may continue serving my community.

# Council Position No. 6

# Larry Toedtli

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**Education:** BS Civil Engineering, University of Colorado; MS Civil Engineering, University of Washington

Occupation: Professional Transportation Planning Engineer - Retired Statement: Decisions that the Houghton Community Council (HCC) make affect how our community and neighborhoods look and feel. If elected to the HCC, I am committed to listening to understand how the HCC decisions affect individuals, families, neighborhoods, businesses, and the overall City. I also will assure that proposed land use actions comply with the adopted Comprehensive Plan, Neighborhood Plans, and development regulations, which are the City's commitments to the community.

My career as a transportation planning engineer included evaluating the potential impacts of land use decisions on all modes of transportation, including safety and congestion. I will work to assure land use and transportation decisions work together to support the community vision.

I am the current president of the Central Houghton Neighborhood Association. In this role, I am actively engaged in land use and transportation projects, including the recent Houghton Everest Neighborhood Center Plan and 6th Street Corridor Study.

# Kristin Lovelady-Dickson

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**Education:** B.A., Business Administration; Seattle Pacific University **Occupation:** Marketing and Product Management

**Statement:** Kristin Lovelady-Dickson is a current Houghton resident and 20+ year King County resident. A life-long community activist, this is her first time running for the Houghton Community Council.

Kristin is a graduate of Seattle Pacific University with a degree in Business Administration. She has worked in technology and professional services sectors for over 20 years. She is active in the Lake Washington PTA, Kirkland American Little League, and FIA Lake Washington fitness club.

Kristin brings the unique perspective of a citizen actively working and raising a young family in the Bridle Trails neighborhood of Houghton. She believes it is important that Bridle Trails is represented in conversations about Houghton zoning and development.

As a Houghton Community Council member, Kristin will work with the City of Kirkland to ensure that Houghton thoughtfully grows and changes to meet the needs of residents while preserving the unique nature of the neighborhood.

# Charter Amendment No. 1 Preamble

Shall the Preamble of the King County Charter be amended to make a grammatical correction and to include among other charter purposes, equitable government, protection and enhancement of the urban and rural environment and economy, and promotion of a superior quality of life?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 108.

#### **Explanatory statement**

The preamble of the King County Charter states the purposes for the Charter. Currently, the stated purposes are to form a more just and orderly government,

For questions about this measure, contact: Patrick Hamacher, Director of Council Initiatives, (206) 477-0880, Patrick.hamacher@kingcounty.gov

establish separate legislative and executive branches, provide for responsibility and accountability for governance and services, enable effective public participation, preserve a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, and secure the benefits of home rule and self-government.

This proposed amendment to the preamble would correct a grammatical error and add the purposes of a more equitable government for all and promotion of a superior quality of life. The amendment would also change the already stated purpose of preserving a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, to protecting, enhancing and preserving a healthy rural and urban environment and economy.

#### Statement in favor

The Preamble to the County Charter is an opportunity for the voters to state their values and Submitted by: Michael Herschensohn, Louise Miller, Alejandra Tres

say what outcomes they want from county government. Since the Preamble was first written, King County has grown to be home to 2.3 million people and a hub of technology, culture and innovation. It's time to update the Preamble to better reflect our modern county and the people who live in it.

By adding "for all" and "equitable," the Preamble will show that county government should be a resource and provide services to all its residents in an equitable manner. This involves not just providing services equally but also finding out about the needs, ideas and solutions different communities might have and helping them access services so they can succeed and thrive.

The addition of "protect and enhance" and "promote a superior quality of life" reflects the county's direct role in providing regional services, such as buses and public health, and as the local government in the unincorporated areas. The county also has a unique role as a leader, convener, and facilitator of improvements in these areas in collaboration with cities.

We ask you to vote yes on King County Charter Amendment 1.

#### Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.

#### Charter Amendment No. 2 Initiative, Referendum and Charter Amendment Timelines and Processes

Shall the King County Charter be amended to comply with state law timelines for initiative, referendum and charter ballot measures and to clarify definitions and terms related to the referendum and initiative process?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 108.

#### **Explanatory statement**

The King County Charter authorizes county initiatives, referenda and charter amendments. The timelines related to these proposed ballot For questions about this measure, contact: Patrick Hamacher, Director of Council Initiatives, (206) 477-0880, Patrick.hamacher@kingcounty.gov

measures as currently stated in the Charter conflict with state law timelines for placing proposed measures on the ballot. The Charter timelines are based on state statutes that have been amended since the Charter was adopted.

This proposed amendment would replace the outdated Charter timelines with the current state law timelines and would incorporate any future changes to the state law timelines. The proposed amendment would also change several sections of the Charter to clarify the process for filing proposed initiatives, referenda and charter amendments.

#### Statement in favor

Since voters first approved it in 1969, the King County Charter has provided residents the opportunity

to submit initiatives and referenda to the King County Council to be either adopted or put on the ballot for voters to consider.

Submitted by: Toby Nixon, E.J. Juarez,

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Over the years, state law governing the rules for initiatives and referenda has evolved, particularly in terms of timelines for putting measures on the ballot. In addition, in 2018 the King County Council updated the county code describing the process for initiatives and referenda to align with state law. Consistent with that prior effort, this charter amendment is largely technical and meant to align the charter with state law and county code, and to provide other clarifications to the process and timelines.

Initiatives and referenda to the King County Council are unusual events, but when they do happen it is important that state law, the county charter, and county code are consistent, provide one set of rules for people to follow, and that the rules are as clear as possible, regardless of the topic. This charter amendment will achieve that goal.

Please vote Yes on King County Charter Amendment No. 2.

#### Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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#### **Renton Regional Fire Authority**

#### Proposition No. 1 Continuation of Benefit Charge

Shall Renton Regional Fire Authority be authorized to continue voter-authorized benefit charges each year for ten consecutive years beginning in 2023, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.26.140(1) (c)?

Yes

No

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

#### Statement in favor

We request voters approve the continuation of the Renton Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Fire Benefit Charge (FBC).

Submitted by: Diane Dobson, Jason Parker, diane@gorenton.com

The RFA was approved by voters back in April 2016 and started operations on July 1st, 2016, when the Renton Fire Department joined with King County District 25. The FBC is one of only two sources that fund fire and emergency medical

services provided by the RFA to our over 135,000 residents and businesses in our 33.3 square mile service area. The FBC accounts for 40% of the budget for the RFA, including costs for training, equipping and paying firefighters as well as maintaining and replacing all fire trucks, other apparatus and fire stations. Renewal of this fee will make it possible for the RFA to continue to maintain critical service levels and innovative programs developed over the last 5 years, including the FD Cares and Public Education programs, for another 10 years.

The FBC provides an equitable, stable and reliable method for funding operations, even in times of uncertainty, and distributes costs of service based on the size and characteristics of the structures on property. The FBC applies to structures 400 feet or larger, including each level of a building, basements (finished/unfinished), mezzanines and garages. Factors helping to determine the amount each taxpayer contributes are based on required firefighting resources, sizes and hazards associated with the structure(s). Discounts are provided for buildings with sprinkler systems and exemptions for religious schools, churches and nonprofit housing.

We appreciate our communities' continued support of Renton Regional Fire Authority and ask for your vote in favor of this measure on the ballot.

#### **Explanatory statement**

Renton Regional Fire Authority provides emergency medical and fire protection services to the areas within the RFA. The Governing Board is requesting For questions about this measure, contact: Steven C. Heitman, Fire Chief, (425) 276-9501, steve.heitman@rentonrfa.org

that voters approve the continuation of the existing benefit charge initially approved by the voters in 2016.

A benefit charge is not a property tax but is a user fee designed to allocate the cost of the services provided by the RFA in reasonable proportion to the measurable benefit a property receives. The benefit charge is based on a standard industry accepted formula that takes into consideration fire flows, structure square footage and the type of structure and risk factors. If the benefit charge is approved the RFA's statutory tax authority is reduced by \$.50 per thousand of assessed valuation.

The Governing Board has determined that a benefit charge, established in conjunction with a lower level of property taxes, provides the fairest, most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the operations of the RFA and maintaining satisfactory levels of service.

The proposition requests voters to authorize the continuation of the benefit charge to be collected for an additional ten years from 2023 through 2032. Prior to establishing the benefit charge each year, the Governing Board will hold a public hearing and each year property owners will have the right to petition for adjustments in the amount of the benefit charge.

#### Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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#### East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation

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#### **Proposition No. 1** Continuation of the Community Municipal Corporation

The community council of East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation adopted Resolution No. 587 concerning this proposition to continue the community municipal corporation. Pursuant to RCW 35.14.060, this proposition would continue the existence of the community municipal corporation for an additional four years. Should the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation continue in existence for an additional four years?

For continuation of the community municipal corporation Against continuation of the community municipal corporation

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

Submitted by: Jeanne Elliott,

Leonard McGhee, Bal Simon,

#### Statement in favor

Do you value the quality of life in your neighborhood? Are issues

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and their property of concern to you? What is your option when land use decisions are made that do not protect your neighborhood and property?

It's the oversight afforded residents by the East Bellevue Community Council (EBCC), working to effectively address land use and zoning decisions made by the Bellevue City Council. This elected 5-member body has the legal authority to veto land use code amendments and ordinances, ensuring accountability for such actions impacting residents within the EBCC jurisdiction.

This unique form of local government advances continued dialogue between the neighborhoods and City of Bellevue leadership. Without a doubt, East Bellevue residents have a strong voice in decisions made when no other option is viable.

Such citizen engagement enables the EBCC to make informed decisions involving community improvements, thereby influencing the City's growth and improving livability. It's essential the EBCC continues as the critical voice helping shape the attributes of our neighborhoods and quality of life within our City.

Support your community! Vote Yes on Proposition No. 1.

#### **Explanatory statement**

In 1969 the annexation of East Bellevue into the City of Bellevue was approved by the voters residing within the annexation boundaries. The voters also approved the

For questions about this measure, contact: Karin Roberts, Deputy City Clerk, (425) 452-6806, kroberts@bellevuewa.gov

creation of a community municipal corporation for the annexed area, which has a five-member governing body elected by the voters, called the "community council". The community council has authority to approve or disapprove ordinances and resolutions of the city council affecting land, buildings and structures within the community council municipal corporation with respect to the following: 1) comprehensive plan; 2) zoning ordinances; 3) conditional use permits; 4) subdivision ordinances; 5) subdivision plats; and, 6) planned unit developments.

The community council may also advise, consult and cooperate with the city council on local matters directly or indirectly affecting the service area.

Under state law, the community municipal corporation may continue in existence for subsequent four-year periods with the approval of a majority of voters within its jurisdictional boundaries. On February 2, 2021 the East Bellevue Community Council adopted Resolution No. 587 requesting that a proposal for continuation of the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation be placed on the ballot.

If a majority of votes are cast for continuation of the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation, the municipal corporation and East Bellevue Community Council shall continue in existence for a four-year period. If a majority of votes are cast against continuation of the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation, the municipal corporation and East Bellevue Community Council shall cease to exist and cannot be reestablished.

#### Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.

#### **Houghton Community Municipal Corporation**

#### Proposition No. 1 Continuation of the Community Municipal Corporation

The community council of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation adopted Resolution No. 2021-3 concerning this proposition to continue the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation. Pursuant to RCW 35.14.060, the community municipal corporation expires on December 31, 2021. This proposition would continue the existence of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation for an additional four years until December 31, 2025.

For continuation of the community municipal corporation Against continuation of the community municipal corporation

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

#### Statement in favor

Currently city planning, large development projects, goals of increased density and major Submitted by: Heidi Donovan, Jennifer Loy, Marvin Scott, hedonovan33@outlook.com

employers have an amplified voice over neighborhood residents regarding quality of life. The Houghton Community Council ("HCC") is a grassroots effort addressing zoning and growth concerns like housing, traffic, overcrowded schools, and neighborhood amenities within the Houghton area. For decades, HCC has protected and shaped land use policy, including most recently: tree canopy protections; guidance on managing homeless encampments; influencing the Northwest University Master Plan; and rightsizing the upzone of the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center. As new land use and zoning proposals arise, HCC provides a steady hand in collaboration with the City for an optimal outcome for our residents.

The HCC was formed as a condition to the annexation of the Town of Houghton to the City of Kirkland in 1968. The seven-member elected council exercises both advisory and approval authority over matters related to zoning and land use within Houghton. HCC members work directly with city staff, Planning Commission and City Council to align the needs of our community with the City's economic development and growth agenda. *There has never been a more crucial time to back continuance of the Houghton Community Council. Please vote "Yes!"* www.houghtonlives.com

#### Rebuttal of statement in opposition

Kirklanders desire diverse, inclusive, and welcoming neighborhoods. In rapid growth areas, residents often feel their voice is marginalized in planning decisions. Grassroots community organizations like HCC provide access and empower residents to participate in local governmental decision making. HCC collaboration provides efficiency, transparency, and legitimacy to local neighborhood planning. The HCC has influenced policies that serve as guidelines for best practices throughout the city.

Vote "Yes" to keep our Houghton Community Council.

#### **Explanatory statement**

In 1968 the cities of Houghton and Kirkland were consolidated. The voters in Houghton also voted to establish within the former City of Houghton a community municipal For questions about this measure, contact: Kevin Raymond, City Attorney, (425) 587-3031, kraymond@kirklandwa.gov

corporation. Its governing body is the Houghton Community Council, composed of seven members elected for four year terms by the voters within Houghton. The Houghton Community Municipal Corporation also has a term of four years and then expires unless continued for an additional four years by majority vote of the electors within Houghton. The current four year term expires December 31, 2021, unless extended at the general election to be held November 2, 2021.

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

#### Statement in opposition

Throughout its history, Kirkland has grown and evolved, and will continue to do so. In order to grow

Submitted by: Jennifer Jaeger, Beverly Marcus, www.hcc-con.com

thoughtfully and fairly, it needs comprehensive, integrated planning for the city as a whole, where every Kirklander has an equal voice. That is not the case now.

Currently, Houghton is the only Kirkland neighborhood with veto power over land use regulations in its area. No other neighborhood has this power. Imagine if every neighborhood had similar veto power -- city planning would be impossible. When only one neighborhood has this power, it is unfair and undemocratic.

Community councils like Houghton's were designed to ease the transition when two cities merged. Today, 53 years after the Houghton/Kirkland merger, the HCC is one of only two community councils remaining in Washington with that veto power -- the rest have been disbanded. The HCC long ago fulfilled its intended purpose. It is time for it to go.

If you believe in a comprehensive vision for the city, if you believe every voter in every neighborhood should have equal weight -- if you value fairness, inclusiveness, and efficiency -- then you must vote No on continuing the special privilege of HCC.

#### Rebuttal of statement in favor

We're not voting on whether grassroots community input should influence city planning -- of course it should! We have institutions, like the 13 neighborhood associations, that support that.

What's on the ballot today is whether just one Kirkland neighborhood should also have a community council with veto power. We say no. The HCC is an antidemocratic body and its members almost always run unopposed. Give every Kirklander equal opportunity to shape Kirkland's future: Vote no!

#### Full text of Ordinance No. 19300

#### Ordinance 19300

AN ORDINANCE proposing to amend the Preamble to the King County Charter to include among the charter goals, equitable government, a strong urban and rural economy and superior quality of life and to make a grammatical correction; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election.

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election, an amendment to the Preamble to the King County Charter, as set forth herein:

#### PREAMBL

We, the people of King County, Washington, in order to form a more just, equitable and orderly government for all, establish separate legislative and executive branches, ((insure)) ensure responsibility and accountability for local and regional county governance and services, enable effective public participation, preserve, protect and enhance a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, promote a superior quality of life and secure the benefits of home rule and self-government, in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Washington, do adopt this charter.

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

Shall the Preamble of the King County Charter be amended to include among the charter goals equitable government, a strong urban and rural economy, and superior quality of life and to make a grammatical correction?

#### Full text of Ordinance No. 19308

#### Ordinance 19308

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to the King County Charter to update the charter, clarify terms and bring the charter into compliance with state law, as it pertains to referendum, initiative and charter ballot measure timelines; amending Sections 230.40, 230.50, 230.50.10, 230.60, 230.70, 230.75 and 800 of the King County Charter; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2, 2021, general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election, amendments to sections 230.40, 230.50, 230.50.10, 230.60, 230.70, 230.75 and 800 of the King County Charter, to read as follows:

#### 230.40 Referendum.

Except as provided herein, an enacted ordinance may be subjected to a referendum by the voters of the county ((by filing with the county council prior to the effective date of the ordinance)) if a proposed referendum petition is submitted as provided in Section 230.70 of this charter and then no later than forty-five days after enactment of the ordinance petitions are filed with the clerk of the county council bearing signatures of registered voters of the county equal in number to not less than eight percent of the votes cast in the county for the office of county executive at the last preceding election for county executive. In addition, except as provided herein, an enacted ordinance which pursuant to state law is effective only in unincorporated areas of the county may be subjected to a referendum by the voters of the unincorporated areas of the county ((by filing with the county council prior to the effective date of the ordinance)) if a proposed referendum petition is submitted as provided in Section 230.70 of this charter and then no later than forty-five days after enactment of the ordinance petitions are <u>filed with the clerk of the county council</u> bearing signatures of registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county equal in number to not less than eight percent of the votes cast at the last preceding election for county executive, provided however that the number of required signatures shall be calculated based only upon votes cast within areas which on the date such petitions are required to be filed are unincorporated areas of the county. Each petition shall contain the full text of the ordinance to be referred. ((The ordinance to be referred shall be placed on the ballot at the special or general election occurring more than forty-five days after the petitions are filed, provided that)) Following the verification of sufficient petition signatures and in accordance with state law deadlines for calling an election, the county council shall call for an election to submit the referred ordinance to the voters for approval or rejection at the next available election date specified in state law, in the case of an ordinance effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, the proposed ordinance shall be

voted upon only by the registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county.

An appropriation ordinance; an <u>emergency</u> ordinance ((<u>necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions)) as specified in <u>Section 230.30 of this charter</u>; an ordinance proposing amendments to this charter; an ordinance providing for collective bargaining; an ordinance approving a collective bargaining agreement; an ordinance providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees; or an ordinance which has been approved by the voters by referendum or initiative shall not be subject to a referendum.</u>

#### 230.50 Initiative

Ordinances, except ordinances providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees, may be proposed by filing with the county council petitions bearing signatures of registered voters of the county equal in number to not less than ten percent of the votes cast in the county for the office of county executive at the last preceding election for county executive. In addition, an ordinance which pursuant to state law is effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, except an ordinance providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees, may be proposed by filing with the county council petitions bearing signatures of registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county equal in number to not less than ten percent of the votes cast at the last preceding election for county executive, provided, however that the number of required signatures shall be calculated based only upon votes cast within areas which on the date such petitions are required to be filled are unincorporated areas of the county. Each petition shall contain the full text of the proposed ordinance.

The form of a proposed ordinance petition must be submitted in accordance with Section 230.60 of this charter to the clerk of the council. Once the form is approved, if within ninety days the required signatures of registered votes are filed with the clerk of council, then the county council shall consider the proposed ordinance. If the proposed ordinance is not enacted within ninety days ((after)) of the date the signed petitions are ((presented)) filed, ((if shall be placed)) the county council shall, in compliance with state law timelines for placing local measures on the ballot, place the proposed ordinance on the ballot either at the next ((regular or special)) general election ((eccurring more than one hundred thirty-five days after the petitions are filed)) or at an earlier election designated by the county council. ((However, if the proposed ordinance is enacted at any time prior to the election, it shall not be placed on the ballot or be voted on unless it is subjected to referendum:))

If the county council rejects the proposed ordinance and adopts a substitute ordinance concerning the same subject matter, the substitute ordinance shall be placed on the same ballot with the proposed ordinance; and the voters shall first be given the choice of accepting either or rejecting both and shall then be given the choice of accepting one and rejecting the other, provided that in the case of an ordinance effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, the proposed ordinance shall be voted upon only by the registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county. If a majority of the voters voting on the first issue is for either, then the ordinance receiving the majority of those voting on the first issue is for rejecting both, then neither ordinance shall be approved regardless of the vote on the second issue.

#### 230.50.10 Institutional Initiative.

Any city or town located within the county may, after securing the consent, by motion or resolution, of at least one half of the cities within the county, propose an ordinance of county-wide significance directly to the metropolitan county council, except an ordinance which is not subject to a referendum under the provisions of Section 230.40 of this charter. Such proposed legislation shall be in ordinance form. The metropolitan county council shall ((take action on)) approve, amend and approve, or reject such proposed legislation within ninety (((90)))) days of its filing with the county council.

#### 230.60 Referendum and Initiative Petitions.

The county council shall establish by ordinance the form to be used for referendum and initiative petitions. All referendum and initiative petitions shall be sponsored by an individual or committee of individuals, which shall secure the approval of the clerk of the county council as to the form of the proposed petitions before circulating them. Within five days after the form of the proposed petitions is submitted to the clerk of the county council, the clerk shall return it to the sponsor with an indication of the clerk's approval or with a detailed written explanation of the clerk's objection to the form.

#### 230.70 Effective Date of Ordinances.

Except as provided herein, the effective date of an ordinance shall be ten days after its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. If an

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ordinance may be subjected to a referendum as provided in Section 230.40 of this charter and ((if a)) the proposed referendum petition is submitted to the clerk of the county council as provided in ((Subsection)) Section 230.60 of this charter prior to the tenth day after its enactment, ((the effective date of the ordinanceshall be forty-five days after its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. If an ordinance is subjected to referendum, it)) and if the department of elections director notifies the clerk of the council in writing that the number of petition signatures is sufficient to proceed to referendum, the ordinance shall not become effective until after it is approved by the voters. If it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, the effective date of an ordinance which is subjected to referendum or proposed by initiative, or a substitute ordinance proposed by the county council as provided in ((Subsection)) Section 230.50 of this charter, shall be ten days after the results of the election are certified unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. The effective date of an ordinance no longer subject to referendum is the date the department of elections director notifies the clerk of the council in writing that the number of petition signatures is insufficient to proceed to referendum, unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. A determination of the sufficiency or insufficiency of the required number of petition signatures for a referendum should be completed within ninety days of the enactment of the ordinance. The effective date of an emergency ordinance shall be the date of its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance.

An ordinance which is subject to the veto power of the county executive and which is not vetoed, or the approved portions of an appropriation ordinance which has been partially vetoed, shall be deemed enacted on the date that it is approved by, or ten days after it is presented to, the county executive. An ordinance which is vetoed or the vetoed portions of an appropriation ordinance shall be deemed enacted on the date that the county council overrides the veto or partial veto. An ordinance which is not subject to the veto power of the county executive shall be deemed enacted on the date it is approved by the county council.

#### 230.75 Amendment or Repeal of Ordinances Approved by the Voters.

No ordinance that is approved by the county council in response to the filing of an initiative petition or that is approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon, whether as the result of a referendum or initiative, shall be amended or repealed by the county council within a period of two years following the effective date of such ordinance; provided that such ordinance may be amended within the two-year period by ordinance adopted by a vote of not less than two-thirds of all members of the county council, which amendatory ordinance shall not be subject to referendum.

An ordinance approved by the county council in response to the filing of an <u>initiative petition or</u> by the voters may be amended or repealed by an ordinance approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon at any special or general election. Ordinances may be enacted to facilitate and effectuate this provision.

#### Section 800 Charter Review and Amendments.

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

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

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

Shall the King County Charter be amended to comply with state law as it pertains to initiative, referendum and charter ballot measure timelines, and to clarify definitions and terms related to the referendum and initiative process?

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