# November 4, 2025 General and Special Election

# King County

# **Official Local Voters' Pamphlet**









# A letter from the

# Director



Dear Voters and Future Voters,

Whatever it is that you care about, this November's election will have an impact for years to come. You're voting on your representatives for everything from State Senator to Water District Commissioner. There are also several measures on the ballot, where you get the chance to directly decide the law.

No matter the issue or the viewpoint that gets you moving – go vote.

Watch for your ballot in the mail and then fill in your ovals, sign, and return it right away. Drop it in your local drop box (there are 85 across King County). Election Day is November 4 but there is no need to wait. Go vote as soon as you can.

Sign up for ballot alerts to get text or email alerts about when your ballot's received back at Elections HQ, and when it's ready to be counted.

As you get ready to vote, take a few moments to fill out the vote plan on page 11, and then help your friends and family make their own plan to vote and make their voices heard.

Give us a call at 206-296-VOTE (8683) if you need help getting registered, getting your ballot, or need other accessible voting options. As always, we're here to help.

Happy voting,

Juli Wise

Julie Wise



Sign up for ballot alerts!

# We're here to help!



- 206-296-VOTE (8683) 1-800-325-6165 TTY Relay: 711
- elections@kingcounty.gov
- kingcounty.gov/elections



You will not be voting on every item in this voters' pamphlet.

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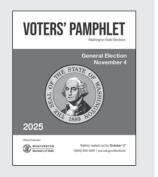
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# You will receive **two** voters' pamphlets

In addition to this voters' pamphlet, you will receive one from the Secretary of State. If you didn't receive a State Pamphlet, call 1-800-448-4881.





# Who can register to vote?

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,
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections for a Washington felony conviction and,
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.



\*If you are 16 or 17, you can sign up as a Future Voter and be automatically registered to vote and receive a ballot when you qualify.



# **How** can I register to vote?



#### Online

Visit **VoteWA.gov** to register online. Online registration for this General Election is available until **October 27**.



#### By mail

Download and print a registration form at **kce.wiki/VoterReg**. Mail to King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057. King County Elections must **receive** the form by **October 27**.



### In person

Register at a Vote Center until 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4. Find Vote Center hours and locations on Page 7, and at kingcounty.gov/elections



# **Visit a Vote Center**

Voters who need assistance can use an accessible voting unit to help them vote privately and independently. Vote Center staff are on hand to:

- · register new voters,
- update information for existing voters,
- · print replacement ballots and return envelopes,
- and answer questions.

# **Sign up for Ballot Alerts!**

You can receive automatic text or email alerts as your ballot goes through every part of the process, from being mailed to being counted. Ballot alerts are also the fastest way to know if there's an issue with your signature.

When you opt in, you'll get notifications for this and future elections. You can unsubscribe at any time.



Track your ballot and sign up for ballot alerts at kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot





# Where is my ballot?

Visit kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot to track your ballot online or to sign up for ballot alerts via email and/or text.



# Materials available in 7 languages!



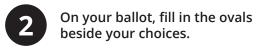
You can receive ballots, voting materials, and correspondence in Chinese, English, Korean, Russian, Somali, Spanish, or Vietnamese.

Fill out the request form online at **kce.wiki/languages** and you'll receive all materials from our office in your preferred language.

Read your voters' pamphlet to learn about what's on your ballot.



# How to







3 Sign the back of your ballot return envelope.



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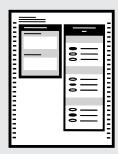
Return your ballot. Whether by drop box or the mail, vote early!



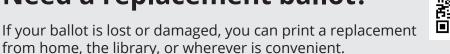


Track your ballot. Visit kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot or sign up for ballot alerts at kce.wiki/BallotAlert. These are the best ways to know your ballot was counted and your voice was heard.





# Need a replacement ballot?





The Online Ballot Marking Program (OBMP) is available for all registered voters. It's designed to enable voters with disabilities, particularly who are blind or low vision, to mark their ballot privately.



## How to use the Online Ballot Marking Program

- Go to kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp. Check that your ballot is
- Enter your information in the form.
- Mark your ballot choices online and then print your completed ballot, OR
- Print your ballot and mark it by hand.
- Check that your ballot is marked correctly.
- Return your ballot as usual, at a ballot drop box or via USPS.

No postage is required when you use the envelope cover sheet included when you print your ballot.



If you need additional assistance or another way to cast your ballot, please contact our office at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

# Visit a Vote Center for In-Person Assistance

Elections staff are available to help you register to vote and get a ballot through Election Day. Trained staff and specialized equipment are available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

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Locations		Hours of operation	
Renton	<b>King County Elections</b> 919 SW Grady Way, 98057	Weekdays, October 15 – 24, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	
		Weekdays, October 27– 31, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	
		Saturday, November 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	
		Monday, November 3, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	
		Election Day, November 4, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	
Bellevue	Crossroads Community Center 16000 NE 10th St, 98008	Saturday, November 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	
Federal Way	Federal Way City Hall 33325 8th Ave S, 98003	Monday, November 3, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	
Kenmore	Kenmore City Hall 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028	Election Day, November 4, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	
Kent	Kent Green River College Campus 417 Ramsay Way Ste 112, 98032		
Seattle	Lumen Field Event Center / WAMU Theater 800 Occidental Ave S, 98134		
	Located in the Lumen Field Event Center with entrances on Occidental Ave S and S Royal Brougham Way.		



# Parking is free at Vote Centers.

Paid parking is available at Student Engagement Hubs.

# **Student Engagement Hubs**

# **University of Washington Seattle Campus**

Located in Room 145 in the the Husky Union Building (HUB), the UW Seattle Student Engagement Hub provides students the opportunity to get registered to vote for the first time, update their registration, get a replacement ballot, or use an assistive device. Elections staff are on hand on to answer questions and provide assistance.

## **University of Washington Bothell Campus**

Students who are registered to vote can use the provided kiosk to print their ballot.



Learn more about hours of operation and services.



Visit kce.wiki/dropbox for a list of all ballot drop boxes available for this election. All ballot drop boxes close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day.



#### Auburn

Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S, 98002 Auburn Park & Ride, 101 15th St NE, 98002

\* Muckleshoot Community Center, 17432 SE 392nd St, 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 \* North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE, 98007

#### **Black Diamond**

Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr, 98010

#### Bothell

Bothell Library, 18215 98th Ave NE, 98011 University of Washington - Bothell Campus (by the Activities & Recreation Center), 18220 Campus Way 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

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

\* Safeway – Star Lake, 28810 Military Rd S, 98003

#### Issaguah

Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, 98027

#### Kenmore

Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028

#### Kent

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

This box has moved to the Kirkland Wester Parking Lot, just south of the City Hall Building on 3rd Avenue.

#### 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



\* Redmond Ridge Park & Ride (Corner of NE Cedar Park Cres and Redmond Ridge Drive NE), 98053

#### Renton

Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave SE, 98058

- \* King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, 98057
- \* Powell Avenue, 725 Powell Ave SW, 98057 The drop box is located two blocks from King County Elections and can be easier to get to during high-traffic times.
- \* Renton Public Health Center, 3201 NE 7th St, 98056

#### Sammamish

Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Ave SE, 98075 South Sammamish Park & Ride, 3015 228th Ave SE,



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#### 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



Tukwila Justice Center, 15005 Tukwila International Blvd, 98188

#### Vashon

Vashon Library, 17210 Vashon Hwy SW, 98070

#### Woodinville

Woodinville City Hall, 17301 133rd Ave NE, 98072 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 (northeast corner of the Broadway-Edison Building), 1701 Broadway, 98122

#### **Central District**



NEW 12th & Cherry, 1223 E Cherry St, 98122 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

#### Crown Hill

Safeway – Crown Hill (corner of NW 83rd St and Mary Ave NW), 8340 15th Ave NW, 98117

#### Downtown

King Street Box (in front of the Kingdome Deli), Corner of 2nd Ave S and S King St, 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 (near the northeast corner of N 95th and College Way N), 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 – Building 406, 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

#### Uptown

Metropolitan Market - Queen Anne, Corner of 1st Ave N and Mercer St, 98109

#### West Seattle/Delridge

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

High Point Library, 3411 SW Raymond St, 98126

Morgan Junction Park, 6401 California Ave SW, 98136 South Seattle College (at the entrance of the Robert Smith Building), 6000 16th Ave SW, 98106

#### White Center



Steve Cox Memorial Park, 1321 SW 102nd St, 98146 The drop box formerly at White Center Library has moved to Steve Cox Memorial Park.

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



# **Everyone's Voice Matters**

If you are awaiting trial, serving a sentence for a misdemeanor, or are no longer incarcerated for a felony, you can vote.



# 1. Get registered.

Register to vote online at **VoteWA.gov** or call King County Elections at **206-296-VOTE** (8683) to request a voter registration form. Fill out the form and mail it to **King County Elections**, **919 SW Grady Way**, **Renton**, **WA 98057**.



The right to vote is automatically restored after you serve your sentence, **but you must register!** 



# 2. Get your ballot.

You can list the detention center address as your mailing address, or have a loved one forward your ballot to you.

If you need help getting your ballot, call us at **206-296-VOTE** (**8683**). We will work with you and the detention center to get your ballot to you.



## 3. Return your ballot.

You do not need a stamp to return your ballot. A postmark on or before Election Day is required, so we recommend voting as early as possible to ensure it can make it to USPS in time for a postmark.

King County Elections accepts calls from detention centers. Call us at **206-296-VOTE** (8683) and trained staff will assist you. We're here to help!

# Make a votel Plan.

Month(s):

October and November

Goal(s):

Vote and make my voice heard!

Notes:

Election Day is November 4, 2025

King County voters automatically receive their ballots in the mail around two weeks before Election Day! We recommend using that time to research the candidates and issues, and to make a Vote Plan.

# My November General Vote Plan!

When will you mark your ballot? Choose a date!

Some folks vote at the kitchen table, others at a local café. Where will you vote?

Draw here

Where will you find information to help you make your choices? Examples include your local news, your local political parties, and the League of Women Voters.

Write here

Will you return your ballot in the mail, or will you use an official ballot drop box?





\* If you plan to use the mail, we highly recommend getting your ballot mailed by the Friday before Election Day.



If you're using an official ballot drop box, which drop box will you use?

Visit kce.wiki/DropBox to see a map of all locations.



You can vote using a pencil, pen, or marker! Do you have a favorite pen you'll use to vote?

Think your Vote Plan is especially good? Tag us in your social media posts @kcelections

#### **About Washington's November General**

If a primary election was held for an office, the two candidates who received the most votes in the Primary advanced to the General Election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that the candidate prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

#### COUNTY



Salary (2025): \$296,028

Serves for a short and full 3-year term

#### Executive

Works with the County Council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of county government.

Elected by voters in King County<sup>1</sup>



Salary (2025): \$183,312

Serves for 3 years

# King County Councilmember

Sets policies and enacts laws, develops and adopts county budget, and oversees county services.

Elected by voters in the King County council district<sup>1</sup>

#### **PORT**



Salary (2025): \$61,997

#### Port of Seattle Commissioner

Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port, and establishes port policy.

Serves for 4 years

Elected by voters in King County

#### **CITY**



Salary (2025): Varies by city

Serves for 4 years

#### Mayor

Works with the city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.

Elected by voters in the city



Salary (2025): Varies by city

Serves for 4 years

#### **City Councilmember**

Approves the city's budget, develops laws and policies, and oversees public services.

Elected by voters in the city



Salary (2025): \$224,492

Serves for 4 years

#### **Seattle City Attorney**

Acts as the lawyer for the city and prosecutes city-level crime.

Elected by voters in the city



Salary (2025): **\$217,337** 

Serves for 4 years

#### **Municipal Court Judge**

Hears and decides misdemeanor cases.

Elected by voters in the city

#### **SCHOOL DISTRICT**



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

# School District Director

Sets policies for schools, provides oversight for the operations of the school system, and represents the interests of the community on public education issues.

Elected by voters in the school district<sup>2</sup>

#### SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

#### Fire District Commissioner

Makes the local fire district's budget and policies and provides fire permits.

Elected by voters in the district



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

#### Water District Commissioner

Makes the local water district's budget and policies and sets billing rates.

Elected by voters in the district



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

# Sewer/Wastewater District Commissioner

Oversees the sewer district to keep up facilities, meet water needs, and meet environmental requirements.

Elected by voters in the district



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

#### Public Hospital Commissioner

Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.

Elected by voters in the district



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

#### **Airport Commissioner**

Makes the local airport district's budget and policies.

Elected by voters in the district



Salary (2025): No annual salary

Years of service varies

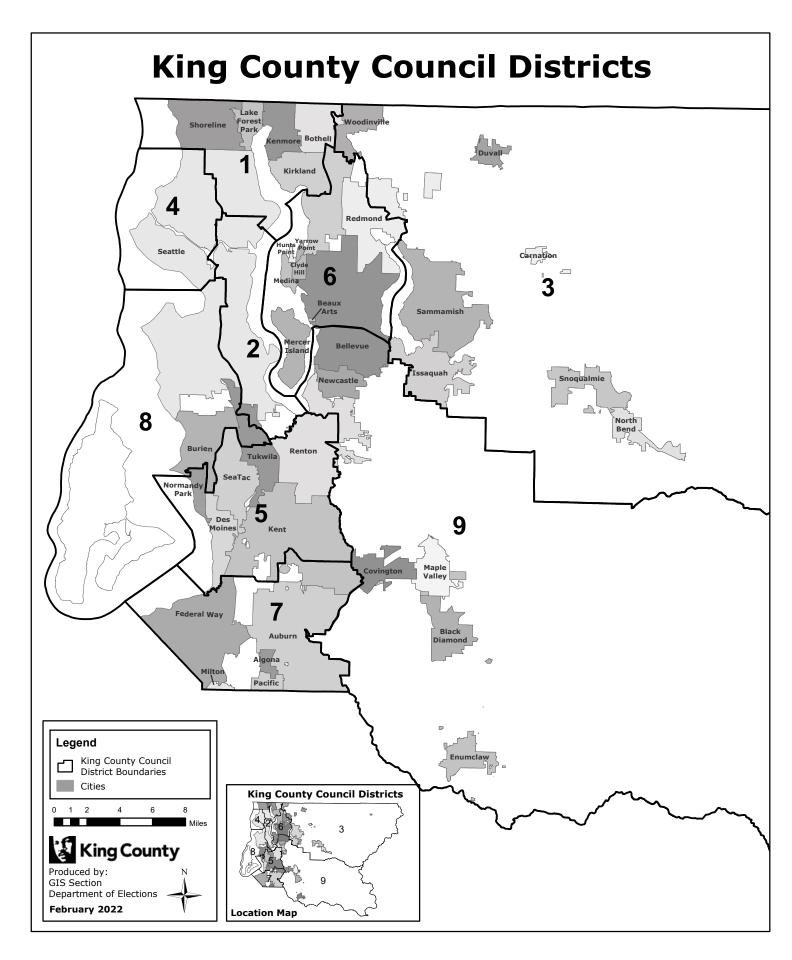
#### Park District Commissioner

Develops goals, sets policies, and oversees regulation of district parks.

Elected by voters in the district

<sup>1</sup>In 2022, voters approved King County Charter Amendment No. 1, moving this race to even years. After this election, this race will be decided in even years instead of odd years. As a result, the person elected in 2025 will serve for 3 years.

<sup>2</sup>In the Primary Election, Seattle School District races are voted on by the voters within each director district. In the General Election, all registered Seattle voters may vote on all Seattle School District races.





# Executive

# Girmay Zahilay

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**Occupation:** Chair, King County Council; Sound Transit Board; Former Attorney, PerkinsCoie

Statement: I'm proud to be endorsed by Governor Bob Ferguson, Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal, Congressman Adam Smith, Attorney General Nick Brown, Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, King County Democrats, business leaders and the most labor unions. I have earned their support because of my unmatched track record and clear vision for the future of King County.

Too many people are doing everything right and still falling behind. After decades of failed promises and business as usual, we are all frustrated. We can do better. As Executive, I'll focus relentlessly on accountability. Every tax dollar must deliver safer, healthier, and more affordable communities.

I know how hard it is to make ends meet. I was raised in South Seattle by a single mother after our family arrived as refugees. We experienced homelessness, lived in public housing, and relied on food stamps. Today, I'm a husband and father raising my own family here. That's what drives me to make government work better for everyone.

That experience also led me to a life of service. I clerked in the Obama White House, practiced business law at top national firms, and founded and ran a national youth education nonprofit. I've spent my career expanding opportunity and delivering results.

As Council Chair, I led the work to fund new addiction recovery centers, fund our first responder system for public safety, pass eviction prevention laws to keep people housed, advance King County's gun violence prevention strategy, increase the minimum wage, and invest in thousands of new affordable homes.

These are real solutions. As Executive, I'll tackle our urgent challenges head-on—ending homelessness, improving public safety, defending reproductive rights, expanding addiction care, addressing climate change, and helping small businesses thrive. If you're ready for a new leader who delivers, I'd be honored to earn your vote.

# Claudia Balducci

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**Education:** J.D., Columbia University; B.A., Providence College; NW Women's Law Center (Legal Voice)

**Occupation:** County Councilmember (Chair 2020-2023); Sound Transit Vice-Chair; Former Bellevue Mayor

Statement: King County is at a crossroads — and business as usual isn't working. Too many neighbors are being priced out. Homelessness remains a crisis. Rollbacks of rights threaten our safety and economy. These uncertain times require the decades of proven leadership that I bring. I'm the only candidate with executive experience leading a large agency and a record of fixing broken systems. As Executive, I'll ensure every dollar delivers real, measurable results. The Seattle Times called me "best suited to lead the region to better days."

Committed to being King County's "Housing Executive," I've delivered thousands of new homes and laid the foundation for hundreds of thousands more, as well as emergency shelter and supportive housing. The Urbanist endorses my plan to build 44,000 more, calling it "ambitious and achievable."

A former countywide safety leader, I'll balance accountability and compassion to keep communities safe. Moms Demand Action gave me a "Candidate Distinction" for reducing gun violence and former Sheriff Sue Rahr endorses my "understanding of the system, ability to drive change, and consistent work toward safer communities."

I overcame fierce opposition to expand light rail to the Eastside and am delivering South County service ahead of schedule, in addition to transit and pedestrian/bike improvements. *Transportation4WA calls me "the region's undisputed leader on light rail expansion, transit safety, & building trails across the county."* 

I'll use my legal experience to fight federal overreach, from reproductive justice to immigrant and LGBTQ+ rights. The Progressive Voters Guide praises my "vision of an inclusive, vibrant, and climate-friendly county where all residents can thrive."

My promise to you: proven leadership to deliver bold *and* achievable results. *Endorsed: The Seattle Times; Firefighters; King County Democrats; Affordable Housing Council; Transportation4WA; Snoqualmie Tribe; Win With Women; Eastside Business Alliance; Unions; 18 Mayors; over 100 elected and community leaders.* 



# Rod Dembowski

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**Education:** Renton Public Schools; Georgetown University, Business Management & Government, cum laude; UW Law School.

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

Statement: Rod Dembowski is a community-focused, results-driven Councilmember, rooted in service and committed to improving the lives of King County residents. With a proven record as an independent, progressive policymaker, Rod has never missed a vote. He was named the Municipal League's Elected Official of the Year. Rod is dedicated to effectively addressing the region's most pressing issues: health and safety, affordability, conservation, and poverty.

Health & Safety. Rod led efforts to fund North King County's Regional Crisis Response program, pairing mental health professionals with first responders. Rod championed the Behavioral Health Institute at Harborview, kept public health clinics open, and is standing up crisis care centers and mobile response teams, countywide. Rod increased Metro Transit security, created King County's gun buyback program, and implemented effective law enforcement oversight systems.

Affordability. As Chair of the Budget Committee, Rod has worked to manage the cost of King County programs, ensuring their effectiveness and advancing reforms. He has trimmed tax and spending proposals, made transit more affordable, and ensured that seniors and disabled veterans get the property tax relief they've earned.

Conservation. Rod has secured over \$100 million for parks, trails, open space and waterways in North King County. He quadrupled funding for King County's Conservation Futures Program. He wrote legislation to decarbonize Metro Transit, and passed our climate action plan.

Supporting Those In Need. Rod believes in the power of King County to transform lives and help our neighbors in need. He worked to open the Kenmore senior women's shelter and the Oaks Shelter in Shoreline. He increased funding for food support and is working to ensure no one in King County goes hungry.

Supporters include: Planned Parenthood, Washington Conservation Action, Shoreline/Northshore Firefighters, MLK Labor, Machinists, Transit Operators, Realtors, King County Democrats, Governor Ferguson, Congresswomen Jayapal & DelBene, Mayors throughout the 1st District.



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and measure
statements.



# Sarah Perry

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**Education:** Seattle University and Ohio State studying transformational leadership, political science

**Occupation:** King County Council Member, former small business owner, non-profit executive

**Statement:** After holding over 700 meetings with neighbors, small business owners, first responders, and more in her first term, and receiving thousands of responses to her annual district-wide survey, Sarah is deeply aware of the priorities of our district, and has a track record of delivering for us, including over \$275 million in District 3 investments.

With infrastructure investments and safety a top priority in our district, Sarah has prioritized safety on our roads and bridges, expanded access to reliable transit, secured federal funding for the new Eastrail bike trail, prepared for light rail expansion, and supported funding for Snoqualmie Valley Transit. She also increased investments in our Sheriff's Deputies for more patrols throughout our unincorporated areas.

An environmental champion, Sarah prioritizes clean water, healthy habitats, and open spaces. Committed to housing affordability for all income levels, she is creating zoning incentives to build more housing units and dedicated more than \$166 million for affordable and supportive housing. A mom and former small business owner, Sarah understands the financial pressures we face and the need to remove unnecessary barriers to success for all. She is a champion for our urban and rural economies, supporting small businesses and farms.

In the face of federal uncertainty, Sarah is steadfast in her support of health clinics and emergency services. With our vote, she'll build on her record of thoughtful and results-focused leadership, protecting the health, rights, and prosperity of the hard working people who call our region home.

Endorsed by the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe; Congressmembers Schrier, DelBene, Smith; Governor Ferguson; Public Lands Commissioner Upthegrove; nine local mayors; Washington Conservation Action; Eastside and Redmond Firefighters; MLK Labor and Construction Trades Council; Affordable Housing Council; Planned Parenthood; King County Democrats; 1st, 5th, 12th, 41st, 45th, and 48th LD Democrats; and over 200 elected and local leaders.

# Rob Wotton

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**Education:** MBA, Pacific Lutheran University; BA, Business Administration and Political Science, University of Puget Sound

Occupation: Community Banker; Snoqualmie City Councilmember

**Statement:** I'm running to create a *stronger*, *safer*, *and more affordable* King County. Our county is full of potential, but we need leadership that prioritizes what matters most. I will ensure your tax dollars are used wisely, with a focus on public safety, housing affordability, and economic opportunity.

As a local business leader, nonprofit board leader, and city councilmember, I've built a track record of solving problems within existing financial constraints. I have helped organizations overcome some of their toughest challenges. I lead by *listening deeply*, acting boldly, and delivering lasting change.

Public safety is paramount. As Chair of Public Safety in my city and a member of the Regional Law, Safety, and Justice Committee, I will continue to advocate for keeping essential facilities open with smart, compassionate solutions, like expanding access to mental health and addiction treatment. We can protect our communities while addressing root causes with dignity.

Housing affordability is personal. I want my kids—and yours—to have the choice to live here. For over a decade, I've brought together community leaders, housing experts, and funders to create real solutions. We've made progress, and I'm ready to take that work countywide to preserve and expand affordable housing.

I also champion local jobs and innovation. I founded the SnoValley Innovation Center to provide free resources to startups and businesses. When COVID forced businesses to close, I helped scores of businesses get the help they needed to survive and bring over \$3 million in aid to our local economy. Then, when they needed help filling positions, I created, managed, and self-funded SnoValleyJobs. com, connecting over 50,000 job seekers with 150 employers.

I bring *energy, experience*, and a *results-driven approach*. Together, we can build a King County that works for everyone. Let's move forward—together. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



# Peter Kwon

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**Education:** Bellevue College/University of Washington-Degree: Networking and Computing; Association Washington Cities, Municipal Leadership Certificate.

**Occupation:** Senior Systems Engineer, Digital Technology; Project Director, Korean American Institute.

Statement: South King County deserves leaders who solve problems – not just talk about them. When my neighborhood experienced mail theft, I organized and obtained secure mailboxes. When seniors struggled to maintain their yards, I organized neighborhood cleanups. After seeing my grassroots efforts get results, neighbors encouraged me to run for city council.

I've served as a City of SeaTac Councilmember for ten years with a strong record of success. Without raising city taxes, we turned a deficit into a surplus while expanding parks, reducing police response times by 40%, and expanding human services. SeaTac doesn't have homelessness – we find them housing. We helped open 30 new child daycare centers. During the pandemic, we maintained essential services, provided grants to struggling businesses, and prioritized the needs of our most vulnerable. We built more than 2,000 affordable homes at light rail stations.

Now I'm running for King County Council to bring the same fiscal discipline, community-first leadership, and collaborative spirit to King County. I will focus on increasing access to behavioral and public health services, housing affordability, improving public safety, and expanding transportation. I will help small businesses, union apprenticeships, and job training programs to ensure every resident can thrive.

I believe elected officials must listen. Every Sunday morning for the past ten years, I've been available at local coffee shops to hear residents' concerns and ideas. I serve on the Board of the National League of Cities and have served on more than 20 regional boards and commissions improving life in South King County.

I am proud to be endorsed by many local leaders, community members, and labor advocates. However, the endorsement that matters most is yours. I would be honored to earn your vote and represent you with experience, hard work, discipline, and a deep commitment to our community.

# Steffanie Fain

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Medical Center Board President

mental health and addiction treatment services.



**Education:** Seattle University Law School, Macalester College **Occupation:** Healthcare and employment attorney; Harborview

Statement: South King County deserves strong leadership that delivers real results. For too long, our community has been overlooked when it comes to resources and support. I'm running for King County Council to prioritize our needs: hold down everyday costs, strengthen public safety, build more housing, and improve access to

We are all tired of broken systems and empty promises. As an attorney, public-school mom and PTSA member, and President of the Harborview Board of Trustees, I've spent my career bringing people together to solve problems. I know how to get resources where they're needed and will hold leaders accountable to deliver results. That's the kind of experience and urgency South King County needs right now.

As the only Democrat and only candidate in this race who has successfully led a regional governing body, I'm proud to be endorsed by Congressman Adam Smith, 10 South King County mayors, King County Executive Shannon Braddock, current and former King County Councilmembers, and a broad coalition of labor unions, business leaders, first responders, and community advocates, who trust me to make real progress on safety, homelessness, and affordability.

My husband and I live here with our two sons and extended family nearby. I also coach youth basketball, serve on nonprofit boards, and volunteer with neighbors to strengthen South King County from the ground up. South King County is our home—and I am committed to building a safer, more affordable future for all of us. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Additional Endorsements: Congresswoman Marilyn Strickland, former Governor Gregoire, The Seattle Times, 47th LD Democrats, Seattle-King County Building Trades, LiUNA Local 242, former King County Councilmember Julia Patterson, Commissioners Sam Cho and Toshiko Hasegawa, and many more.



# Jude Anthony

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**Education:** BS in Computer Science from the University of Central Florida

Occupation: Amazon Senior Development Engineer, retired

**Statement:** I'm running for King County Council to give our community a voice and solve the problems we've all faced since before I moved here: unaffordable housing, congested commutes, an unbalanced property tax system, and public safety fears. We can fix these issues, but it will take a vision, action, and persistence. I bring all three.

We need open minds that seek input from the people affected by their decisions. At Amazon, I built a successful software developer training program for underrepresented employees by proactively seeking input from struggling learners. In my campaign, I'm building connections with local aid groups and community members. As Councilmember, I will ensure your voice is heard by holding community meetings before voting on legislation.

We need representatives who take action. I've spent my campaign volunteering at food banks, organizing charity drives, and participating in cleanup projects. Investing in social services saves us money by reducing the need for emergency medical care and criminal justice services. As Councilmember, I'll prioritize funding the essential groups that are already doing the work to keep us fed, sheltered, and safe.

We need problem-solvers with new ideas. I have thirty years of career experience solving complex problems with evidence-based solutions. I plan to replace our broken property and sales tax systems with fair, sustainable revenue streams. With the political will, we can enact the changes our community desperately needs.

I am proud to be endorsed by 314 Action, King County Democrats, Covington Arts Commission Chair Riley Reed, and others on the growing list at ElectJude.com. If you give me the chance, I will leverage the funding and weight of King County to secure food, housing, healthcare, and an opportunity for success - for *all* of us.

# Reagan Dunn



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

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

**Statement:** It has been my privilege to be your advocate on the King County Council. I am running for re-election to fight against new and unnecessary taxes, higher fees, and government spending at all levels that are making it harder for working families to be able to afford to live here in King County.

I'm proud to have earned the endorsement of all nine nonpartisan mayors in the district, in addition to numerous police, firefighter and first-responder organizations, and many prominent Democrats and Republicans. I have also been honored as Washington State's Outstanding Local Elected Official of the Year.

County government faces very significant challenges. I will work hard to give law enforcement the tools they need to reduce crime, and I will fight to keep your taxes low. I will continue to prioritize government spending so that critical emergency services and road maintenance are properly funded. Additionally, I am the only member of the King County Council with criminal justice experience, having spent many years working for the Department of Justice. I was appointed by President George Bush and served as a Federal Prosecutor with *Top Secret* clearance. In Seattle, I worked in the Terrorism and Violent Crime Unit of the U.S. Attorney's Office. I also led the Justice Department's national initiative to fight gun violence.

I'm committed to finding real solutions to our regional homelessness crisis and will continue to help those who suffer from drug and alcohol addiction. Environmental stewardship and protecting open space in our region are also key priorities for me.

If re-elected, I will use my knowledge of the district, combined with years of private sector and government experience, to help King County continue its path toward a more efficient and accountable government.

I work for you, and I appreciate your vote.



# Commissioner Position No. 1

# Ryan Calkins

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**Occupation:** Energy policy advisor, former small business owner, economic development professional

**Statement:** As your Port Commissioner, I work everyday to make the Port of Seattle the greenest port in North America, to create living-wage careers for local families, and to ensure the best possible experience for our passengers and partners at SEA and the seaport.

I'm running for re-election to continue these efforts and build a Port aligned with our communities' forward-thinking priorities and values.

Our Port is an economic engine for the region, supporting countless jobs and driving economic growth. That's why I have invested in workforce development, supported local businesses, and ensured that the benefits of port activity are shared equitably. With your support, I will continue to prioritize the creation of high-quality, family-sustaining jobs for our community.

We have a responsibility to be a leader in environmental sustainability. Towards that goal, I have led on the transition to zero-emission vessels and equipment, improved efficiency, and worked with airlines, shippers, and fleet owners to transition to sustainable energy. I will continue to decarbonize our operations, clean up legacy contamination, and reduce local air and water pollution.

We strive for SEA to be a world class airport for the millions of passengers and thousands of small businesses who connect with the airport. At the Port, I have advanced improvements in passenger experiences, innovations that expedite the process from the moment you arrive at the airport, and invested in facility improvements. Let's continue to make our seaport best-in-class on the West Coast to build on our history as a maritime region.

Endorsed: King County Democrats; Port & Seattle Firefighters; Washington Conservation Action; MLK Labor, Longshore Workers and over a dozen other unions; FairVote Washington; Congressmembers Larsen & Smith; County Councilmembers Dembowski, Perry, Barón, Balducci, Mosqueda, Zahilay; Mayors of Seattle, Bellevue, Redmond, Shoreline & Bothell; and many more!



# Commissioner Position No. 3

# Hamdi Mohamed



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

**Occupation:** Port of Seattle Commissioner and City of Seattle Department Director

Statement: As Port Commissioner since 2021, I have taken on key leadership roles, including Commission President and Audit Committee Chair. Raised in a working-class family by a truck driver and an airport worker, I understand how Port decisions affect daily life, from job access to how goods reach our communities. I remain focused on transparency, results, and putting people first.

Jobs and Training: I have helped double investments in workforce development, including leading Maritime Youth Career Launch, a \$4 million program preparing youth for maritime careers. I also advanced the Maritime Innovation Center, a hub that will drive job training, entrepreneurship, and the blue economy, creating future opportunities for startups and businesses.

Economic Development: I approved a record \$5.6 billion Capital Improvement Plan, creating jobs and boosting contracts for local businesses. I secured \$7.1 million to improve the airport experience for travelers and workers. I remain committed to terminal upgrades, supporting cargo growth, and strengthening the Port's role in regional business development.

Environmental Justice: I sponsored the directive securing permanent protection for North SeaTac Park's green spaces and cosponsored the first shore power mandate for cruise ships, slashing emissions by 80 percent. I also led a \$5 million home soundproofing program to reduce airport noise. These communities carry the burden of a regional airport and deserve meaningful support, which is why, in partnership with Senator Patty Murray, we secured federal funding to expand this work.

In my next term, I will focus on supporting small businesses, creating family-wage jobs, expanding access to trade and transportation, and holding the Port accountable to the people it serves. I hope to earn your vote!

Endorsements: All Port of Seattle Commissioners, Governor Ferguson, Attorney General Brown, Commissioner Upthegrove, Treasurer Pellicciotti, Members of Congress, local mayors, councilmembers, and unions including SEIU6, IBEW46, and Machinists 751.



# Commissioner Position No. 4

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**Occupation:** President, Port of Seattle Commission; WMBE business

Statement: I've drawn on six years as an agency head in the Inslee Administration to promote job creation and operational excellence. While governments statewide face budget shortfalls, the Port of Seattle is in excellent financial condition. We're delivering \$5,300,000,000 in capital projects, creating family-wage jobs, and contracts for local businesses. Under my leadership, we've expanded access to careers for underserved communities through agreements with labor, formal partnerships with three Tribes, investments in education, apprenticeships, and the green jobs initiative. We've improved our contracting processes and policies to increase spend with minority and women-owned businesses.

As a mom, I want all our children to inherit an even brighter future. We must act now. I introduced the Teal New Deal, my plan to decarbonize maritime (blue), and activate industrial lands to manufacture, warehouse, and transport clean energy (green). This coordination promotes sustainability worldwide, while creating generational jobs locally for the next fifty years. We also remediate contaminated sites, and opened the Duwamish River People's Park where juvenile salmon have since returned!

SEA Airport accommodates the whole state's international travel demands. To attract and retain the workforce operating our airport, I championed free orca passes, free hygiene products, and a childcare navigator program. I'm leading on delivering a brick-and-mortar childcare facility to meet the public's demand for more options.

Airport communities now have assurance that North SeaTac Park is protected, as well as \$14,000,000 in Port grant opportunities. I want robust engagement throughout South King about the Sustainable Airport Master Plan.

I'll meet federal threats to our economy by creating opportunities for people to thrive. Let's ensure communities countywide benefit from the \$929,000,000 economic boom from FIFA 2026.

My approach works: economy, environment, and equity advance together. It's our triple bottom line. I'm honored to represent you.



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# Paul Clark

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**Education:** MSEE, Electrical Engineering, University of Washington; Bellevue Essentials and Police Community Academy, City of Bellevue

**Occupation:** Owner, Factoria Labs; Professional Instructor, Author, Wireless Communications Engineer

**Statement:** Bellevue has been my home for over 25 years, and I want to ensure it remains safe, grows responsibly, and works for everyone living here. My priorities include fixing our police staffing gap, reducing congestion, expanding our park system (especially in underserved areas) and guiding new development into growth corridors like downtown, not our single-family neighborhoods.

Owning a small technology business and serving nearly a decade on the Parks & Community Services Board and Civil Service Commission has prepared me to deliver results. I'll bring practical solutions that pursue the priorities of Bellevue residents first and foremost.

I will work to ensure Bellevue remains a global leader in innovation and economic opportunity while ensuring growth is thoughtful, sustainable, and supported by the infrastructure it demands. I'm committed to increasing transparency in city decisions by listening, engaging, and making sure residents have a voice in shaping our future.

I am proud to again be endorsed by The Seattle Times, the Ethnic Chamber Coalition, Councilmembers Conrad Lee and Jared Nieuwenhuis, King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, and many other organizations and community leaders. I would be honored to earn your vote to keep Bellevue moving forward, without losing what makes it special.

# Vishal Bhargava

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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Architecture; Master's Degree in Urban & Regional Planning; MBA from UCLA.

**Occupation:** Bellevue City Councilmember, Co-founder Mental-health nonprofit; Planning Commissioner; Director, Amazon.

**Statement:** As the only Democrat in this race, my priorities are clear: keeping Bellevue safe, inclusive, and more affordable. My family made Bellevue our home 12 years ago because of its exceptional quality of life, excellent public schools, beautiful parks, and welcoming neighborhoods. I'm running to retain my seat on the City Council to ensure Bellevue remains a thriving, safe, and inclusive city.

With a background in urban planning, leadership experience in technology, and five years on Bellevue's Planning Commission, I bring practical experience and a collaborative mindset. As Bellevue continues to grow, I will focus on delivering pragmatic solutions to everyday challenges: reducing traffic congestion, expanding housing affordability, and addressing the rising cost of living.

Public safety and community well-being are my top priorities. I strongly support our police and first responders and expanding mental health and crisis response services. I'm committed to building a strong local economy that benefits everyone. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsed by: Mayor Lynne Robinson and entire Bellevue City Council, Congressman Adam Smith, State Representatives Zahn, Slatter, and Salahuddin, KC Councilmember Claudia Balducci, multiple Eastside Mayors, Bellevue Firefighters, KC Federation of Democratic Women, KC Democrats, Eastside Business Alliance, and many community leaders.



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**Occupation:** Bellevue Essentials Fellow; Meta Al Product Manager; GenocideEdu Founder.

Statement: Bellevue is facing federal challenges that impact our economy and quality of life. I am the only candidate in this race that has not donated thousands to Donald Trump and violated ethics rules. We need new, accountable leadership focused on serving Bellevue families and small businesses.

I am the daughter of refugees, a tech-policy professional, and community leader running to bring fresh ideas and responsible leadership to our Council.

With your vote, I'll focus on improving affordability to ensure essential workers can live where they work, and young families can call Bellevue home. I'll invest in public safety, including behavioral health and emergency preparedness. I'll work to reduce congestion, expand transit, and make our streets safer. I'll champion strong public schools, workforce training, and career pathways that prepare youth for future jobs. I'll support our parks, arts, and quality of life. To make city government more responsive, I'll break down silos and streamline processes to boost efficiency.

I'm the only candidate in this race endorsed by 41st, 48th & King County Democrats; Mayor Lynne Robinson; Congresswoman DelBene; All Bellevue Representatives and Senators; Insurance Commissioner Patty Kuderer; former Councilmember John Stokes; small businesses and labor unions; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; and more!

# Conrad Lee

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

**Occupation:** Bellevue City Councilmember; Former Bellevue Mayor and Deputy Mayor

Statement: You have consistently elected me to be your voice on the Council to *support public safety, lower taxes, cut wasteful spending, and create a healthy economy*. As inflation continues to rise, I remain committed to responsible fiscal policies in keeping taxes low while ensuring our city invests wisely in public safety, transportation, and essential community services without sacrificing quality of life. Bellevue thrives because of our prudent financial decisions, a healthy business environment, and dedication to maintaining a high quality of life for all residents.

As your trusted representative, I am accessible, accountable, and transparent. By listening and working with you, I will tackle new opportunities and challenges with collaborative partnerships and innovative solutions.

Beyond fiscal stewardship, I've strengthened our community through inclusion and opportunity. I initiated Bellevue's Cross-Culture Center project, supporting efforts to celebrate and connect our city's diversity. As the founder of the Pathway Foundation and its Youth Internship Program, I've championed education and mentorship to help empower the next generation of civic leaders.

Bellevue has a bright future. I appreciate your confidence and support for my re-election. I ask for your vote and your continued trust to represent you.



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**Education:** Juris Doctor (Law): Catholic University; Masters in Economics, Bachelors in International Relations: Georgia Tech.

**Occupation:** Chairperson of Bellevue College, US State Department Diplomat, Startup Founder.

**Statement:** Bellevue is beautiful. We value education, safety, innovation, equity, and kindness, but the federal government is interrupting progress and threatening our values at a time when we have an affordability crisis preventing young families, teachers, officers, elderly and workers from living here.

That's why we must replace conservatives in local government with leaders willing to step up and protect our values, and with larger-than-local scale experience to take decisive actions. I'm a former US diplomat. I started my government career in the Clinton administration. I negotiated trade deals, championed environmental and human rights, built programs that created hundreds of thousands of jobs, and got results. Now I'm Chairperson of Bellevue College, appointed by Governor Inslee. I'm also CEO of a start-up technology company creating jobs and opportunities in Bellevue.

I will fight for: better infrastructure to quickly move people while reducing traffic; housing to enable the next generation to live in Bellevue while protecting green spaces, climate, livability, walkability, and bikeability; Job growth, businesses, and workforce training. We need to be accountable for results not just good intentions. Let's build.

Endorsements: Governor Gary Locke, King County Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Senator Slatter, more.

# Jared Nieuwenhuis



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

**Occupation:** Councilmember, City of Bellevue; Sr. Mgr. Government Relations, Ziply Fiber

**Statement:** It's been an honor to serve you on the Bellevue City Council for the past eight years. I've stayed focused on what matters most: public safety, thoughtful growth, affordability, and economic opportunity.

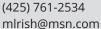
I led efforts to fully fund our police department, establish Bellevue's transit police unit, and launch the Keep Bellevue Beautiful initiative to tackle graffiti, litter, and abandoned shopping carts. I've also served as a regional voice in the fight against antisemitism, championed Bellevue's Environmental Stewardship Plan, and advocated for innovative housing solutions that protect affordability while preserving neighborhood character.

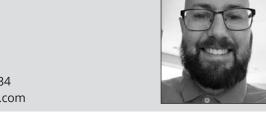
Bellevue is growing rapidly, and that growth must reflect our shared values, not compromise them. Now more than ever, we need experienced, proven leadership with a clear focus on Bellevue's priorities, not the agendas of outside interests. I'm committed to safeguarding our neighborhoods, improving mobility, enhancing our quality of life, and ensuring Bellevue remains the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

I'm honored to be endorsed by Bellevue Firefighters, Bellevue Police Officers, Eastside Business Alliance, Chinese Radio Seattle, LiUNA 242, Bellevue Councilmembers, and many other organizations and leaders across the political spectrum. I respectfully ask for your vote to continue serving and delivering for our community.



# Matthew Rish





**Education:** Bachelor's in Accounting, Bellevue College; Associates in Criminal Justice, Bellevue College

Occupation: Lead instructor at YMCA of Greater Seattle

Statement: As someone who grew up in Bellevue and have seen the changes here it's been a great joy. Going through the Bellevue Essentials program in 2021 I learned a lot about how our city is run and the changes that could be made to be more efficient. However, I have also seen many of my favorite places close and never reopen due to rent costs and rising prices. Taxes are apart of the cost for these business which might put too much strain for companies to move here. Something has to be done about this.

I also want to help the police have everything they need for our safety and their security. Back when I took Bellevue Essentials the biggest thing that was discussed were body cameras. This allowed police to be believed in their interactions with those who break the law but also that no police officer would abuse their office. This is still a necessity.

JFK taught "don't ask what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." So here I am and I want to hear from you as well in what we can do to help each other.

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Business Administration and Sociology, University of Washington; Master's in Business Administration, Seattle University

**Occupation:** Bellevue Small Business Owner; nonprofit board member; fmr. County Commissioner

Statement: It's an honor to serve on the Bellevue City Councilbuilding on my commitment to creating a safe, inclusive, and affordable community for all residents. I am a small business owner and single mom who came to this city in 1994 to pursue my education and dreams. We are a city with a local heart and global reach, and with your vote, we can continue to have great neighborhoods, excellent schools, and an innovative economy that attracts talent from around the world

My vision for Bellevue is rooted in collaborative governance, affordable housing, economic inclusion, and community health. I know from creating a vibrant downtown cafe that we need spaces for listening, learning, and sharing ideas. I bring these values to Council where I will lead housing discussions that improve access and quality of life, support senior and children services, enhance mental health services, and expand green buildings and green space.

As your councilmember, I will continue using my experience in business and community involvement to create the Bellevue we deserve.

Proudly endorsed: Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson and the full City Council; firefighters; MLK Labor, Eastside Business Alliance, Washington Retail Association; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Sierra Club, Planned Parenthood; and more!



# Lynne Robinson





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

**Occupation:** Bellevue Mayor & Councilmember (2013-Present), Former Small Business Owner

Statement: As Mayor and on the City Council, I'm dedicated to making Bellevue a thriving, innovative, and inclusive city. I would be honored to continue serving you, building on the progress we have made to foster economic growth, create affordable housing, invest in our parks, and embrace the diversity of our city. I'm committed to a future where everyone has access to opportunities, amenities, and a high quality of life.

Key accomplishments that motivate my service include: leading Bellevue's economic growth– more than 4000 new jobs– through partnerships with regional employers and advocating for small businesses; more affordable homes in our city, and championing regional housing solutions and emergency shelters; expanding parks, trails, and green spaces and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.

I've overseen transportation investments, including safe routes to school and light rail, and prioritized public safety with initiatives like the CCAT crisis response unit. With your vote, I'll build on this record with focused and thoughtful leadership.

Endorsements include Governor Bob Ferguson; KC Councilmembers Claudia Balducci, Reagan Dunn; all Bellevue State Representatives and Senators; 4 Bellevue Councilmembers; Mayors of every major regional city; Sierra Club, Seattle Times, KC Federation of Democratic Women; and many more.

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**Education:** B.S., General Engineering, Olin College; M.S., Biomedical Engineering, UC Irvine; Bellevue Essentials (2021)

**Occupation:** Worked as a civilian Nuclear Engineer in power generation (Navy)

**Statement:** As Bellevue grows, new residents should experience the same delight to live here that we've had. Bellevue needs additional housing that's excellent for families, where we'll nurture kids in a safe environment, and affordable housing for seniors and young adults. I want to ensure that the city we are building now will make us proud for the next 50 years.

I've advocated for incentives to build units sized for families, and I've argued for a higher standard for sound-proofing apartment sleeping areas. As I cycle and walk with my kids, I think about how our streetscape should make everyone feel safe and comfortable. I also understand the importance of dependable car travel and public safety, including on transit.

I will protect our third spaces, where we make social connections; housing and offices alone aren't enough to make a city alive. I will work on Bellevue's processes to deliver consistent, cost-effective results.

I write regularly for my website and newsletter to inform residents about high impact city decisions. They should have confidence that the infrastructure we need for growth is thoughtfully planned and implemented professionally. People have high expectations when they come to Bellevue, and I want us to exceed them.



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Occupation: Local Business Owner & Entrepreneur

**Statement:** I'm running to bring people-powered, practical leadership to Bothell—where thoughtful planning, inclusive growth, and smart resource use create a community where everyone can thrive.

Having lived in Bothell for 19+ years and served with OneBothell Org, I'm passionate about repurposing the former Wayne Golf Course for all residents—whether as community gardens, a gathering center, or other shared spaces.

With 27+ years as a fintech entrepreneur, HOA leader, and long-time volunteer, I bring both innovation and empathy to public service. I'm committed to safe, affordable, and connected neighborhoods, while protecting natural spaces and fostering economic vitality. My vision is grounded in S.P.A.C.E.: S – Safety & Security; P – Purposeful Planning; A – Affordable Housing; C – Connected Communities; E – Equity & Economic Vitality Let's build a Bothell that works for all—residents, families, and future generations. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



# Council Position No. 3

# Shirly Mittelman

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**Education:** Masters in Science – Nursing; Registered Nurse; Bachelor of Art; International Board-Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC)

Occupation: School nurse (LWSD); Lactation Nurse (UWMC Montlake);

Private Practice IBCLC

Statement: Bothell has been changing quickly, and many neighbors have shared that they feel left out of the conversation. I'm running for City Council to bring compassionate, people-first leadership that reflects our shared values and protects the small-town charm that makes Bothell feel like home. Growth should be thoughtful, guided by residents, rooted in what matters most: safety, well-being, community, and quality of life.

As a public-service nurse, a mother, and your neighbor, I care, solve problems, and advocate for vulnerable populations every day. I'll bring these skills, along with my dedication and common sense, as I work to preserve our tree canopy, support parks and trails for walking and riding, and improve safety for residents of all ages and abilities.

Most of all, I believe in listening. Together, we can build a healthier, more connected, and safer Bothell. Vote for me to be your voice. Endorsed by council-member Jeanne Zornes.

# Jenne Alderks

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**Education:** Masters of Public Affairs, University of Texas; Public Leadership Credential, Harvard

Occupation: Trauma Informed Human Services Specialist

**Statement:** In 2021, I set a bold vision for Bothell's future and I brought clarity and purpose to the biggest issues facing the city. By centering equity and bringing community voices into the public process, I helped ensure a balanced budget for the city, a fully staffed police department and a fully built-out crisis continuum of care. I also championed economic opportunity, climate resilience and housing affordability.

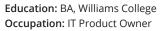
I'm running for re-election so that Bothell continues to be a vibrant, inclusive, and sustainable community. With your vote, I will continue working to improve Bothell's transportation connections to the rest of our region, increase housing options for working class Bothellites, preserve park land at Shelton View Forest, and reclaim former Wayne Golf Course for future generations.

Endorsements: King and Snohomish County Democrats, Snohomish County Indivisible, labor unions, Representatives Duerr and Kloba, Senator Stanford, Mayor Thompson, and Deputy Mayor Al-Kabra. Learn more at votejenne.com.



# Brittany Miles

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**Statement:** Bothell deserves leaders who listen. Brittany's vision includes building a more livable, inclusive city for all—where families can thrive, mental health needs are met, and young adults have access to housing and opportunity. She supports the development of diverse housing options to ensure Bothell remains a place where everyone can belong.

She is a former VP of the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County and a 2023 nominee for the North Urban Human Services Alliance (NUHSA) Human Services Award. Her public service experience includes serving on the board of the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) Agency and contributing to the Washington State Legislature's Technology Subcommittee for the 988 suicide prevention hotline (HB1477). She is also collaborating with The Seattle Times to create a mental health forum, set to launch in fall 2025.

Brittany is endorsed by King County Democrats, 1st LD Democrats, and Bothell City Council Members Alderks and Dodd.





# Council Position No. 7

# Mark Swanson

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**Education:** BSAgE, BSME, VDR First Responder, Medical Triage and Evacuation, FEMA Certification, CPR and First Aid.

**Occupation:** Retired Systems Engineer, University Housing Emergency Maintenace, former Construction worker.

Statement: Keep the Family and eldertly friendly character of Bothell. Limit taxes; traffcand density in accordance with law; constrain electricity rates, preserve consumer choice; llimit water/sewer rate ncreases; protect SnohoCo green belts, stop existing subsidy for apartments.

Mark will return the Police/Fire dispatch to local City control. First responders need a Bothell dispatch.

We need an elected mayor. The City Manager is not accountable to voters and earns more than the governor, keep independent from KC Council politics. Keep Family/elderly friendly neighborhoods of Bothell that we've nourished. Less urbanization; llimit piroperty taxes; address traffic, more parking; reduce emissions; set lower densitymatching state law; constrain PSE rates and sewer rates, preserve choiceotect green belts, and eliminate homeowner subsidy for apartment development. Our neighborhoods need protection. Join me. We need an elected mayor. The, CityManager earns more than the governor. Return politically neutral checks and balanced city independent from KC Council.

# Rami Al-Kabra

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

**Occupation:** City Councilmember; Community volunteer; Small business owner

**Statement:** Sixteen years ago, my wife and I put down roots in Bothell, drawn by welcoming schools and community spirit. Your confidence then allowed me to become the first immigrant elected to our Council, and every day since, I've worked to make sure opportunity grows for every neighbor.

Together, we passed a comprehensive housing plan and dedicated land for 200 affordable homes, launched a regional response that sends mental health professionals first, and balanced a forward-looking budget that protects core services. I know progress matters to families across Bothell.

Imagine a Youth City Council shaping fresh ideas, streets and homes built for a changing climate, and public safety rooted in care, accountability, and civil rights. Endorsed by Senator Stanford, Representatives Duerr and Kloba, Mayor Thompson, and many councilmembers, I'm ready to keep leading. Does it make sense to continue this work together? I'd be honored to earn your vote.



# Lisa Wissner-Slivka



**Education:** BA in Computer Studies, Northwestern University; MBA, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Councilmember, City of Clyde Hill; Board Member, Overlake Hospital

**Statement:** Over the past two years in office, I have learned a lot about what it means to be an elected official. Enacting local laws, approving the city budget and establishing city policies are all important parts of the job, but the most important task is being able to respectfully listen to and learn from different constituents.

For the next four years, my priorities include continuing *support for our outstanding Police Department*, responding to state mandated housing code changes while *preserving our community*, increasing the *transparency of city operations* and crafting a city budget *ensuring the viability of our city*. The next few months are a golden opportunity for the City Council to work together with the Mayor on a shared vision.

Endorsements: Bellevue City Councilmember Jared Nieuwenhuis, Yarrow Point Mayor Katy Harris, CH Civil Service Commission Chair Brian Ouellette, CH Planning Commission Chair Mark Kroese

# Lyn Adams

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**Education:** No information submitted. **Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** A lifelong Clyde Hill resident, proud to call this city home. My brothers and I grew up at the bottom of the hill, and my husband Greg and I raised our family at the top—at the same address for 40 years. I'm running for City Council to offer a fresh perspective and a community connection.

With a career in Human Resources and a commitment to people, I value inclusion, transparency, and respectful dialogue. I believe strong communities are built through shared values, vision, and open communication.

My priorities include public safety, preserving our natural beauty, supporting thoughtful budgeting, and maintaining our city's character. I hold a deep sense of place here; three generations of UW Husky grads I still enjoy my music major and continue to record and perform. I'd be honored to serve and represent you—my neighbors, fellow families, and the future of Clyde Hill lynadams.com lyn@lynadams.com





# Council Position No. 3

# Jennifer Michelle Nelson



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**Education:** Bachelors in Environmental Science - Northwest University;

Bellevue Christian School Occupation: Caregiver

**Statement:** My family has called Clyde Hill home since the 1970s, and I'm running for Clyde Hill City Council to make sure we preserve the community we love for the next generation.

Clyde Hill is facing a structural budget shortfall. We must use taxpayer dollars efficiently, focusing on services that matter most while avoiding unnecessary spending. I will champion smart budgeting that protects essential services without raising taxes unnecessarily.

I believe government works best when it is open and accountable. I will work to restore public input in planning decisions, improve communication between the city and residents, and ensure every major decision is made with clarity and transparency. Our natural environment is one of Clyde Hill's greatest assets. I will support policies that protect our trees, groundwater, and neighborhood character while meeting state requirements for sustainable growth. I would be honored to earn your trust, your engagement, and your vote.

# Brad Andonian



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**Education:** University of Puget Sound BA economics

Occupation: Self employed in retail

**Statement:** Since joining Council I have appreciated the opportunity to engage in the important work of running Clyde Hill. my responsibilities include working with Staff and Council to forge a path that address State requirements while maintaining our town character. I will continue to to ensure our excellent police force remains funded while working towards a long-term plan to balance the city budget.

We have many challenges facing our community, I will continue to be an advocate for all residents of Clyde Hill. My working relationship with the Mayor, Staff and Council colleagues has been productive; I will continue to build on this.

As a 21-year resident, preserving the quality of life in Clyde Hill is immensely important to me and my family--just as it is to your family! I would appreciate your support and vote this November! www. bradforclydehill.com



# Mike Minard

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.

# Dean Hachamovitch

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**Education:** A.B. Mathematics, Harvard College; professional development courses through Wharton, Kellogg School of Management, Harvard. **Occupation:** Council member, Mayor Pro Tem, Clyde Hill; former CVP, Microsoft

Statement: Dean For Clyde Hill Council

What matters to you as a resident? My family moved to Clyde Hill 24 years ago, drawn by the peace and sense of community. Today, repeated budget deficits put the safety and stability we all value at risk. For four years, I've addressed issues head-on, advocating for fiscal responsibility and public safety — for example, funding the police, not overhead. As part of your city council, I have protected property values by making city code clearer and more enforceable. To support community safety, I co-founded the Clyde Hill Police Foundation.

Together, there's still more we can do to keep Clyde Hill thriving. I'd be honored to continue serving, listening, and being *your* advocate for a safe, solvent, and strong Clyde Hill. Endorsements: Bellevue City Councilmember Jared Nieuwenhuis; Yarrow Point Mayor Katy Harris; Clyde Hill Civil Service and Planning Commission Chairs Brian Ouellette & Mark Kroese



# Mayor

# Lindsey Walsh

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**Education:** B.S. in Public Policy, Planning, and Development, University of Southern California

Occupation: Small business owner; Issaquah City Council President Statement: As your Council President and acting Mayor pro tem, I've been singularly focused on doing what is right for Issaquah families and communities. I'm the only candidate who's delivered local results that matter: strengthened public safety and behavioral health teams, championed local transit, doubled investment in safe, walkable neighborhoods, advocated for neighborhood-led traffic calming, and supported local businesses with \$1.5 million in recovery grants. But there's more to do.

As Mayor, I'll continue to keep our neighborhoods safe, protect our natural environment, and prioritize local residents - preserving our small-town spirit even as we grow. As a parent, neighbor, and mentor, I'll continue to listen, lead with integrity, and put Issaquah first. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Proudly endorsed by local leaders, educators, and organizations dedicated to Issaquah's future, including 15+ neighboring Mayors and Councilmembers; 5th, 41st, and KC Democrats; Issaquah Education Association; MLK Labor; WA Conservation Action.

# Mark Mullet

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**Education:** Master's in Public Affairs, University of Washington. Former Issaquah City Councilmember (2009–2013).

Occupation: Owner, Ben & Jerry's Issaquah. Former State Senator (2012–2025)

**Statement:** I'm proud to be running for my dream job as mayor of Issaquah. My commitment to public service was inspired by my dad, who served as mayor of my hometown. I'm honored to be endorsed by our current mayor, Mary Lou Pauly.

As I did representing Issaquah in the State Senate, I'll always listen to your concerns, be honest with you, and work hard to help our city thrive.

As mayor, I'll prioritize reducing traffic congestion, maintaining public safety, and protecting Issaquah's natural beauty. I'll also use my small business experience to build responsible budgets that make Issaquah more affordable for families and local businesses. I'm honored to have endorsements from Issaquah mayor Mary Lou Pauly, former Issaquah mayors Fred Butler and Rowan Hinds, Governor Bob Ferguson, former Governors Chris Gregoire and Gary Locke, Issaquah Councilmember Chris Reh, King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, Eastside Firefighters Local 1762, and many more.



# Council Position No. 1

# Chris Reichley

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**Education:** Associate Degree General Education and Business Management, Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno NV.

Occupation: Community Branch Manager Harborstone Credit Union Statement: As an 11-year Issaquah resident and active community member, I'm committed to preserving the character and quality of life that make our city special while guiding thoughtful balanced growth

member, I'm committed to preserving the character and quality of life that make our city special while guiding thoughtful, balanced growth. With over 20 years of financial and leadership experience, and as 5-year Chair of the Economic Vitality Commission and Vice Chair of the Strategic Plan Taskforce, I bring a strong record of responsible budgeting, strategic planning, and community-focused decision-making.

I'm honored to be endorsed by the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 1762, representing Issaquah firefighters. Public safety is a top priority, along with smart infrastructure investment and sustainable policies supporting working families, seniors, and small businesses. I believe in transparent, accountable leadership that listens and acts with integrity. I'm running not just to lead, but to listen and deliver practical, proactive solutions reflecting our shared values.

Together, we can keep Issaquah thriving. I value your vote and trust.

# Kelly Jiang

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**Education:** B.S. Environmental Engineering Science, UC Berkeley **Occupation:** Issaquah City Councilmember, Clean Energy Engineer **Statement:** As your Issaquah City Councilmember, I've voted to conserve open space, build affordable homes near transit, allow for gentle density in our residential neighborhoods, and plan for light rail. When 140 trees were illegally logged in Grand Ridge Park, the Issaquah Alps Trails Club (IATC) raised the alarm. As President of IATC, I'll take this community-centered approach to fight for what we all believe in.

As Issaquah grows, I'm committed to finding innovative solutions to the challenges of balancing growth, public safety, infrastructure needs, and sustainability, while stewarding taxpayer dollars responsibly. Together, we can make housing affordable, get traffic moving, maintain public safety, protect our environment, and support small businesses. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsements: Issaquah Mayor Pauly, State Senator Hunt, State Representative Hall, King County Councilmember Perry, Issaquah City Councilmembers Walsh and Marts, Sierra Club, Eastside Business Alliance, King County/5th/41st Democrats, and more!



# Barbara de Michele

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

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

Statement: I have served as your representative on the Issaquah City Council since 2019. During my tenure, the council successfully navigated the COVID19 crisis, built biennial budgets aligned with community values, increased human and behavioral health services, restored police and fire prevention capacity, tackled the affordable housing crisis, and increased emergency preparedness. I have collaborated regionally to promote Issaquah's interests in transportation, health, and human services issues.

I will work with you to build on Issaquah's past successes and to tackle new challenges, especially our community's financial, housing, transportation, planning and environmental needs.

Endorsed by 5th LD Democrats; King County Democrats; Seattle-King County Realtors Association; the Seattle Building Trades Council; LiUNA #242; IUOE #302; National Women's Political Caucus – Washington; Affordable Housing Council of the Master Builders Association; Senator Hunt; Representatives Callan, Hall, and Zahn; King County Councilmember Perry; Issaquah and LWSD school board members; and Eastside regional leaders.



# Council Position No. 5

# Diogo Magalhaes

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**Education:** Doctor of the Science of Law (JSD), Cornell University; LL.M., Catholic University; LL.B., Lisbon University

Occupation: Legal Scholar and Lecturer of Law

**Statement:** I'm running for Issaquah City Council to bring balanced, inclusive leadership to our growing city. As a legal educator and first-generation immigrant, I've dedicated my life to ethical governance, innovative problemsolving, and empowering diverse communities. From Macau to Portugal to the United States, my journey has taught me that compassion and empathy bridge divides.

Professionally, I've led in academic, business, and nonprofit settings—managing billion-dollar portfolios and launching educational programs fostering civic engagement. In Issaquah, I'm committed to listening to every voice, ensuring transparent decision-making, and advancing smart, ethical, and sustainable solutions for housing, transportation, and community wellbeing. That includes supporting third places—community hubs like libraries, cafes, and other welcoming spaces where people connect beyond home and work.

I believe leadership rooted in inclusion and accountability shapes a city where everyone feels seen. Let's create a future honoring our past, lifting our shared values, and welcoming generations to come.

# Russell Joe



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

**Occupation:** Government Affairs Snohomish County Manager for Housing Policy

**Statement:** For the past three decades, I have been proud to call Issaquah my home. If re-elected, I am committed to addressing key issues such as mobility, infrastructure, and environmental preservation. Notably, I will continue to support acquisitions of forested lands along Issaquah Creek and in new open spaces for preservation. Enhancements to roads, sidewalks, and neighborhood pedestrian safety remain top priorities to improve community walkability and intracity mobility.

Throughout my career, I have served as a prosecutor, volunteer, and non-profit board member. Currently, I am engaged in resolving housing availability and attainability challenges in Snohomish County. I am prepared to apply my experience and knowledge to serve the residents of Issaquah for another term

Endorsements: 5th District Senator Victoria Hunt, 5th District Representative Zach Hall, Issaquah City Council President Lindsey Walsh, Issaquah City Council Member Chris Reh, Former 5th District Senator Mark Mullet, and Former Issaquah Mayor Fred Butler.



# Katia Zakharoff

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**Education:** B.A.; M.B.A., Small Business Management Strategies, RFEI **Occupation:** Small Business Owner; Issaquah Planning Policy Commissioner

Statement: Issaquah welcomed me as a first-generation immigrant and small business owner. I feel it is time for me to give back. As your Planning Policy Commissioner, I have listened and worked to address what matters most to you: housing, public safety, mobility, trees and our environment, and support for small businesses. These challenges require real community input and collaboration.

Issaquah faces challenging financial times ahead. With a background in economics and real-world budgeting experience, I will work to ensure fiscal responsibility without burdening residents. I'm committed to protecting what makes Issaquah special while planning for a future that works for everyone.

I am grateful to have earned the trust and endorsements of local business and community leaders, including the Eastside Business Alliance, former Mayor Fred Butler, King County Democrats, 5th LD Democrats, and many others. I'd be honored to earn your vote and partnership in building a stronger Issaquah together.

# Kevin Nichols

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**Education:** Ph.D., M.Eng., and B.S., Biological Engineering **Occupation:** Scientist, medical devices; Member, Issaquah SD Capital Projects Oversight Committee

**Statement:** For 12 years, my family has called Issaquah home. Like you, we love Issaquah for the great schools, community, and natural environment. And like you, I see how worsening traffic and increasing cost of living threaten what makes Issaquah special.

As a scientist, I have the problem-solving experience to deliver results. I will work to *fix traffic* with smarter transit and better intersections. I will work to *create more affordable housing* so our children can build a future here, our seniors can afford to stay, and our teachers and first responders can live where they serve. And, I will partner with our school district to *identify land for schools* in Central Issaquah, not our hillsides.

Endorsed by: Sierra Club; King County Democrats, 41st, 5th LD Democrats, Young Democrats; State Rep Hall; King County Councilmember Perry; Issaquah Council President Walsh; Councilmembers Jiang and Marts; School Board Directors Coyne and Taylor, more.



# Council Position No. 7

# Tola Marts



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Education: BS / Mechanical Engineering (U of MN)

Occupation: Engineering Executive

**Statement:** In Issaquah, the people who live here can't work here, and the people who work here can't live here. Because we have inadequate workforce housing and living wage jobs.

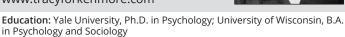
For workforce housing, I will continue to insist (as I have since first being elected in 2009) that we only allow additional housing in the valley, where we have services and transportation, and that we require a mix of price points that include housing that is affordable for our police officers, fire fighters, and teachers.

For living wage jobs, I will continue to push (as I have since first being elected in 2009) for C-level engagement and economic development agreements that bring major employers into the valley, where they can provide great jobs and a secondary service market to our city.



# Tracy Banaszynski





**Occupation:** Co-Executive Director, Salmon Recovery Nonprofit; Chair, Kenmore Planning Commission

**Statement:** I am grateful and honored to have won the August Primary. Thank you Kenmore for your trust and support!

My service to our community runs deep. As your Planning Commissioner, I helped steer our first Economic Development and Climate Action Elements. As a community leader, I've organized hundreds of volunteers to restore our beautiful parks. And as your Councilmember, together we will create a welcoming, affordable community; prioritize salmon recovery and climate action; ensure wise stewardship of our financial and natural resources; and see our shared humanity as we build a just, equitable future where everybody thrives. I will continue to work hard, listening, leading, and co-creating a vibrant Kenmore with you. I would be honored to serve. I humbly ask for your vote.

Endorsements: King County Democrats; Shoreline Firefighters Local 1760; Fuse Washington Progressive Voters Guide; State Representative Duerr; Kenmore Councilmembers Sasson, Culver, Srebnik, Loutsis; Fire Commissioner Adman; more!

# Joe Marshall

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**Education:** Inglemoor Graduate; B.A. University of Washington; M.F.A. Cornell University; J.D. University of Washington

Occupation: Public Defender; Attorney 25 years; real estate, municipal law.

Statement: I am a proud Democrat and environmentalist who's served two terms on your City Council. I listen and stand up for *you*. Accomplishments: approved 121 new affordable multifamily units, women's shelter; encampment rules; pushed financial sustainability into Kenmore's top goals, Pride Proclamation, DEI Initiative, Climate Action, new sidewalks, bike lanes and parks. I listened to you on the Plymouth vote and fought the state bill that tried to silence your voice.

I grew up in Kenmore and raised my family here. I will protect our environment, create community spaces, and keep advocating for a public pool. As a public defender, serving our most vulnerable inspires me to ensure Kenmore grows smart and grows with heart. I humbly ask for your vote.

Endorsements: Kenmore Deputy Mayor O'Cain, Councilmember Loutsis, Former Mayor Baker, STEP Committee Member Caitlin Sullivan, King County Councilmembers Girmay Zahilay and Rod Dembowski, Democratic State Senator Valdez, Representative Pollet.



# Council Position No. 4

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

# Christina Schiefer



Education: BA Public Relations, Auburn University

Occupation: Coach at Crossfit Kenmore

**Statement:** I'm a 14-year business co-owner, Northshore Schools parent, and an active community volunteer so I get what Kenmore needs: leaders who act decisively and listens to *every* member of our community. I've served for many years on my neighborhood association board, volunteered in our schools, and supported local businesses as a Chamber Ambassador.

I'm running for City Council to demand transparency, protect neighborhood character, and ensure sustainable city planning that meets the needs of *all*, including our most vulnerable, through practical and affordable housing solutions that make sense for *everyone*. I believe in a community where everyone feels welcome, heard, and valued, and where green spaces and our environment are preserved for future generations. I'm ready to bring strong leadership, a people-first approach, and a fresh perspective to move Kenmore forward. I'd be honored to have your vote. Endorsed by Eastside Business Alliance, Councilmember Joe Marshall, and many Kenmore businesses.

# Nigel Herbig

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Education:} B.A. Comparative Religion and Political Science, University of Washington \\ \end{tabular}$ 

Occupation: Mayor/Councilmember, City of Kenmore

Statement: I ran for City Council to build a safer, more transparent Kenmore, and I've delivered. Together we've constructed over 6 miles of sidewalks and bike lanes to improve accessibility and safety for all, and I made our government more open by installing a livestream camera in Council Chambers. When in-person meetings resumed, I fought to keep the Zoom option available, ensuring more public voices could be heard.

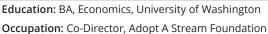
I want to continue building a city we are all proud to call home, by *increasing our access to the waterfront*, and building on our work to *establish a downtown with more restaurant and shopping options*, while continuing our work to *protect our environment* and *build more affordable housing*.

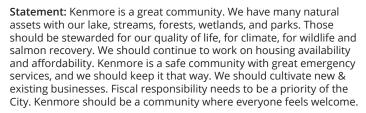
Endorsed by: Firefighters, KingCo and 1st District Democrats, Sierra Club, MLK Labor, WABikes, Rep. Suzan DelBene, County Councilmember Rod Dembowski, and many more. I humbly ask for your vote to continue this important work.



# Eric Adman

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My wife Staci and I have lived in Kenmore since incorporation in 1998. Our kids went to Northshore schools. I've worked in and for the community as a paramedic, a fire commissioner, and an environmental leader.

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve on the Kenmore City Council.





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# Ken Oberman

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Speech Communication; Business Administration Minor, San Diego State University

Occupation: Past Vice President of Sales, Samsung Electronics

Statement: I'm running for City Council to bring practical leadership, fiscal discipline, and your voice back to City Hall. Unlike our current representation, I believe in listening to residents and reflecting the priorities of the people who live here. With executive experience managing billion-dollar budgets, I'll invest wisely in what matters most: public safety, thriving local businesses, and protecting Kirkland's parks, trees, and open spaces.

Growth in Kirkland must reflect our community's needs, not a Seattle political agenda. Whether it's housing options for all stages of life or investments in transit solutions, development must fit the scale and character of our neighborhoods and align with infrastructure capacity. I'll work to strengthen essential services across the city. Kirkland deserves leadership that listens first, acts with transparency, and delivers results. Endorsements: Kirkland Firefighters; Former Deputy Mayor Santos Contreras; Chuck Pilcher, Evergreen Health Board; Cassandra Sage, Former Lake Washington School Board Director, and more!

# Jay Arnold

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

Statement: It's my honor to serve you and our beautiful, thriving city. I've revitalized Totem Lake and invested in new and expanded parks, school walk routes, the Cross Kirkland Corridor, and Green Loop. I've strengthened tree protections and championed sustainability policies. I've improved public safety, added mental health professionals to respond to those in crisis, kept Police/Fire fully staffed, and maintained Kirkland's balanced budget and AAA credit rating.

I have a 20+year track record as an effective leader who listens, does his homework, incorporates feedback, and develops pragmatic solutions.

Priorities: Apply lessons from Totem Lake successes to future sustainable growth. Create more affordable housing. Build transportation improvements plus transit that work for Kirkland. Ensure our city is an affordable, safe, welcoming, sustainable, and vibrant community. Selected Endorsements: Congresswoman DelBene, State Legislators Slatter, Dhingra, Springer, Goodman, Salahuddin; County Councilmembers Balducci, Dembowski; Affordable Housing Council, Sierra Club. I ask for your vote.



# Council Position No. 3

# Shilpa Prem

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**Education:** JD, Suffolk University Law School; BS, Bioengineering, Oregon State University; MLA extension studies, Harvard University

**Occupation:** Senior Attorney, Amazon; Boardmember of Washington CeaseFire and EmergeWA

Statement: As a mom, attorney, and proud Kirkland neighbor, I'm running to bring fresh ideas and a practical, data-driven voice to City Council. Born and raised in the Pacific Northwest, I'm now raising my twins here and want Kirkland to remain a place where everyone can thrive. That means creating more affordable housing, expanding parks, reducing traffic, making transportation convenient, supporting small businesses, ensuring public safety, and practicing fiscal responsibility. Achieving these goals requires navigating complex issues and ensuring *all* voices are heard.

I have worked on high-judgment issues, solving complex, financially significant problems by interpreting laws, gathering facts, and making *thoughtful*, *common-sense* decisions. I'll bring this same data-driven leadership to Kirkland. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

Endorsements: King County Democrats; all State Senators covering Kirkland; Kirkland Mayor Curtis; Kirkland Councilmembers Arnold, Sweet, Falcone, Black; Congresswoman DelBene; Sierra Club; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Mayors of Bellevue, Redmond; and more.

# Catie Malik

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**Education:** Masters Healthcare Administration, UW and BA History Minor in Near Eastern Civilization, and Languages UW

Occupation: Healthcare Finance and Operations Executive

Statement: As a longtime Kirkland resident, I've seen our city grow—but more recently, change has felt disconnected from the people who live and work here. I'm running for City Council to bring the voice of residents and business owners back to City Hall. Rising taxes and spending are displacing longtime residents and burdening Kirkland businesses, with little return in public benefits. It's time for a course correction that puts our community first.

I have experience managing state budgets, building high-performing teams, and tackling complex problems under tight deadlines. I will bring data-driven, outcome-focused leadership to City Council—making decisions rooted in proven results, not political trends.I will advocate for policies supporting small businesses, invest responsibly, and preserve the distinct character of our neighborhoods while planning thoughtfully for the future.

Endorsed by; Eastside Business Alliance, Washington Multifamily Housing Association, Safe Eastside and by many neighbors like you. *I hope to earn your vote*.



#### Ken MacKenzie





**Statement:** Kirkland is a precious community worth preserving. I am deeply connected with 10+ years of volunteer experience, e.g., appointed to City committees, a Neighborhood Association Board Member, and a contributor to City planning documents. I founded a youth-serving nonprofit in 2018. We raised our kids here in public schools. My professional career managing large teams and budgets taught me fiscal discipline and leadership.

I will lead the change to a resident-focused, responsive, transparent, and sensible City Council. I led the successful fight against the 2023 pool/rec center forever tax because it was a terrible deal for taxpayers. I will vote for improvements to transportation and parks, against new tall and closely-packed buildings in residential neighborhoods, and to limit high density to areas that have supporting services and transportation.

My goal is to recover Kirkland from years of unwelcome planning decisions. I'm endorsed by neighborhood, business, and City leaders across Kirkland.

#### Neal Black

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**Education:** J.D., Georgetown University Law School; B.S. Civil Engineering, Stanford University

**Occupation:** Attorney, Phinney Black; Kirkland Councilmember; Board Member, Pacific Science Center

Statement: I serve because I love Kirkland! As a community, we've expanded parks, trails, bike lanes, and open space; deepened our commitment to public safety with new fire stations and the finest first responders; established Washington's first regional behavioral-health responder agency; and much more. We're thoughtfully planning for housing that working families can afford and continuing to invest in improved infrastructure.

My family has lived in Kirkland for nearly 30 years. I'm committed to sound governance, fiscal responsibility, transparency, thoughtful decisions, and results. I'll continue to work to ensure we're moving Kirkland forward as Washington's most vibrant and livable city. I appreciate your vote!

Endorsements: Congresswoman DelBene; King County Democrats, King County Young Democrats; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Sierra Club; Washington Conservation Action; Eastside Business Alliance; Affordable Housing Council; Planned Parenthood; both of Kirkland's County Councilmembers, Balducci and Dembowski; former State Senator Kuderer; eight of Kirkland's State Legislators; and many more.



#### Council Position No. 7

#### Jon Pascal

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

**Statement:** Serving as your councilmember is an honor. I bring a proven track record of delivering practical, data-driven, budget-conscious, community-focused solutions that keep Kirkland safe, livable, and thriving. Results include safer walk/bike routes on Juanita Drive and 124th Avenue, 28 acres of new parks, 500+ affordable homes in Totem Lake, top-tier emergency response times, and increased human services.

My priorities: expand housing options while respecting neighborhood character, enhance parks and open spaces, improve transportation for all users while fixing key bottlenecks, invest in fire and police, and strengthen Kirkland's economy. For 20+ years, I've served Kirkland through the Planning and Transportation Commissions, State Transportation Improvement Board, Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance, Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods, coaching Little League, and LWSD's facilities taskforce. I'll keep listening to residents and building a stronger, more vibrant Kirkland for everyone.

Endorsements: Eastside mayors, state legislators, LWSD leaders, labor unions, firefighters, and community leaders. See jonpascal.com.

## Kurt Dresner

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**Education:** PhD, Computer Science, University of Texas at Austin; BS, Computer Science/Mathematics, Harvey Mudd College

**Occupation:** Software Engineer; Everest Neighborhood Vice Chair; Transportation Advocate; Community Volunteer

Statement: With your vote, I'll tackle Kirkland's biggest challenges head-on. Housing affordability, transportation, and climate change require practical, forward-looking solutions that reflect our values, enhance our quality of life, and leave a better Kirkland for our children. I'll protect parks and open space while addressing the rising cost of living so small businesses, seniors, families, working people, and students can thrive. I'll continue building local and regional partnerships that deliver results.

Amidst federal uncertainty, Kirkland needs principled, strategic leadership that's willing to keep Kirkland safe and welcoming with abundant opportunities for everyone. I love Kirkland and believe our best days are ahead. I'd be honored to have your support. Let's move forward!

Endorsements: King County Democrats; Kirkland Mayor Curtis, Deputy Mayor Arnold, Councilmembers Sweet, Falcone, Black; 25+ neighboring Mayors/Councilmembers; Sierra Club; LWSD Teachers; Metro Bus Drivers; Senators Stanford, Dhingra, Slatter; Representatives Goodman, Kloba, Duerr, Salahuddin; County Councilmember Balducci; more at KurtForKirkland.com!



## **Municipal Court Judge**

#### John Olson





**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 20 years – first as a Court Commissioner and now as a full-time judge. 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 nonviolent crimes to get their lives back on track. Judge Olson believes in the power of community – local people addressing local problems.

Prior to his work in the Kirkland Court, Judge Olson served 29 years as General Counsel to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association and as a school district hearing officer for multiple school districts in the state

Judge Olson has been endorsed by: Mayor Kelli Curtis, Kirkland Councilmembers Jon Pascal, John Tymczyszyn, Penny Sweet, and former Councilmember Toby Nixon; King County Democrats and the 1st, 45th, and 48th District Democrats

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#### Jessica Rossman



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

Occupation: Mayor (2020-25) & Deputy Mayor (2018-19), Medina City Council; Attorney

Statement: I'm running for re-election because I love this community, and I'm dedicated to helping Medina thrive. My husband and I moved here with our two sons when they were tiny, and our family has truly appreciated the safe neighborhoods, beautiful parks, peaceful environment, and sense of community. I work to ensure all Medina residents will be able to enjoy that quality of life – whether raising a family, aging in place, or starting a new chapter.

I've served two terms on Council, including 6 years as Mayor. I bring a proven record of honest and dedicated service, deep experience in local government, strong legal skills, an ability to hear and collaborate productively with different viewpoints, big picture strategic thinking, and a can-do "fixer" mindset. I'll continue to work -- with you and for you – to keep our small town charming and safe.

I'd be honored to have your vote.



#### Council Position No. 3

#### Heija Nunn



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Education: Attended Bellevue College

Occupation: Medina City Council Member, Real Estate Broker, Business

Owner, Volunteer

**Statement:** Preserving Medina's small-town charm is a job I have taken seriously since 1997. It has been a privilege to raise a family here, and to volunteer alongside neighbors passionate about maintaining our unique quality of life, stunning natural environment, and unmatched proximity to the best of the Northwest.

As a current City Council Member, former Chair of both the Planning Commission and Park Board, longtime Medina Days volunteer and current King County I-Fit representative, I have the experience and drive necessary to ensure Medina continues to thrive despite the challenges and impacts of regional growth.

I will work on your behalf to continue building a safe, smart, and connected community while fiercely guarding our semi-rural charm—and the Green Store! Let's work together to improve our public spaces, road safety, services, and technology. The future is bright.



#### Laura Davis Bustamante





Occupation: PwC Audit Partner (retired); Planning Commission (2021-present) Statement: As an audit partner with a global public accounting firm, I've spent my career helping organizations improve financial controls and navigate complex challenges. I bring that same focus to Medina as we work to manage rising costs while maintaining the high-quality services our residents value.

For the past four years, I've served on the Medina Planning Commission, including as Chair since July 2022. That experience has deepened my appreciation for our unique community and the challenges we face, including State mandates for increased housing density and affordability. If elected, I will advocate for smart, sustainable development that respects Medina's character while supporting both longtime residents and new families. I'm committed to thoughtful planning that addresses impacts on infrastructure, traffic, parking, our tree canopy, etc. — without compromising what makes Medina special.

I believe in transparency, community-first leadership, and responsible governance. I would be honored to earn your vote.



#### Council Position No. 7

#### Randy Reeves



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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, English Literature, University of Washington **Occupation:** Deputy Mayor, Medina City Council (2022-2025), Medina Planning Commission (2013-2021)

Statement: Your City Council has been busy in Medina! We updated our comprehensive plan, drafted code responding to Olympia's Middle Housing mandates (HB1110/1337 among others), and hired a new City Manager. Regional pressures will continue to demand diligence and foresight to maintain Medina's character, livability, and beauty.

I will continue to stand for public safety, fiscal responsibility, and for real progress to make Medina an even better place for generations to come. Updating our Tree Code and mitigating the impacts from Middle Housing are just the beginning.

Let's make smart investments in our shared priorities. Support our police and emergency preparedness. Reduce traffic impacts to make streets safe. Prudent budgets. Underground utilities. Mitigate noise and light pollution. Advance tree preservation and minimize development impacts. Deliver transparent, efficient, and accountable governance. I pledge to continue bold, responsible, and collaborative leadership on Medina City Council, Position 7, and 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: Co-Founder, CTO & CFO, Kotis Design

**Statement:** My goal is simple: to *ensure Mercer Island remains a high quality city*. I want excellent services, our kids to be safe, and a lower political temperature. That's why I was raised here, and why my husband and I returned to have a family of our own.

In my short time serving as your Councilmember I have focused on listening, learning, and preparing to contribute to what has been a steady City Council in recent years. We have a strong baseline but need to strive for even better, making data-driven decisions that improve the lives of residents, from specific things like permitting and communication to big things like a vision for our future.

I am an optimist who believes our best days are ahead. It's been incredible meeting thousands of residents of different backgrounds hearing what you want. I would be humbled to continue working on your behalf.



#### Council Position No. 4

## Ted Weinberg

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

**Occupation:** Mercer Island City Councilmember. Information Technology Lead, City of Seattle

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Statement: Elected Experience: MI City Councilmember.

As your City Council Member, I passed affordable housing legislation, our city's first Climate Action Plan, a levy revitalizing our parks, and the modernization of our utility infrastructure. I will continue to prioritize public safety, protecting parks, addressing homelessness with neighboring cities, and strengthening our business community.

Throughout my 8 years of public service, I have made listening to constituents my top priority. For the past 3 years I have been building community by holding monthly open brunches at local restaurants. I then use that input to inform my decisions on the council. I will continue to serve and protect our community with the integrity, compassion, and dedication I have demonstrated. I humbly ask for your vote. Endorsements: State Legislators Wellman, Thai, Zahn; City Council Members Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker; School Board Members Tucker, Lee, Martinez; former Mayors Merkle, Clibborn, Newman, Jarrett.



## Johana Beresky

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Occupation: Business Operations & Management Consultant

Statement: I'm running for City Council because I love where I live. Our family spans three generations on the Island—from our kids in the schools to their grandparents nearby—so I'm focused on decisions that serve all ages. We moved here nearly twenty years ago, drawn by the strength of this community, and now I want to give back by bridging perspectives and ensuring everyone has a voice.

My experience leading teams and managing budgets has taught me how to navigate complexity, make tough decisions, and stay focused on sustainable outcomes. On Council, I'll prioritize smart, pragmatic solutions to housing, safety, and infrastructure—with a commitment to transparency and data-driven policy.

I'll promote inclusive civic dialogue and advocate for decisions that reflect shared values. Mercer Island is an interconnected community. With mutual respect and shared purpose, we can build a future that reflects the best of all of us.

## Lisa Anderl

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**Education:** BA Italian Studies Gonzaga University and JD Gonzaga Law School, with honors

Occupation: Current Mercer Island City Council Member; retired attorney Statement: It's my privilege to serve as your council member. In seven years we've accomplished much, but there's much left to do.

Public safety is a priority, and we hired extra police officers. We partnered with Eastside Fire and Rescue for better fire and EMS response. We upgraded our water and sewer systems. I supported upgrades to the Luther Burbank waterfront and a new bike skills area. I took a leadership role in protecting our Parks from development, and voted to fund regional homeless housing, while protecting public spaces from encampments. Finally, we returned the city to stable financial footing, while protecting our vulnerable and at-risk residents.

I will continue to work to protect our neighborhoods and support our quality of life. Proud to be endorsed by Mayor Nice, Deputy Mayor Rosenbaum, Councilmember Weiker and many other community members. Please vote Lisa Anderl, so I can continue to represent your priorities!



#### Council Position No. 7

#### Julie Hsieh

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**Education**: BA, Human Biology, Stanford University; MD, Baylor College of Medicine

Occupation: Owner, Yuan Ru Art Center; Family Physician (retired); Community Volunteer

Statement: As a 10-year Mercer Island resident, I'm honored to be endorsed by a majority of Councilmembers and a broad coalition of community leaders. I've earned their trust through my diligent service on local boards and strong volunteer record in our schools and community. I'm committed to a vision where children thrive, families flourish, and seniors age gracefully. With experience as an entrepreneur, family physician, and community leader, I bring a balanced, practical approach to city challenges.

My priorities include public health and safety, preserving parks and open spaces, strengthening community engagement, and revitalizing our town center. I support policies enhancing quality of life for all generations. I value diverse perspectives and lead with integrity, collaboration, and compassion. *I'd be honored to earn your vote.* 

Endorsements: Councilmembers Rosenbaum, Reynolds, Weiker, Weinberg; Former Mayors Wong, Bertlin, Clibborn, Jarrett, Newman; Representatives Zahn and Thai; Sierra Club; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Eastside Business Alliance

## Adam Ragheb

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**Education:** Ph.D, Master's, and Bachelor's in Aerospace Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Occupation:** Senior Systems Engineer, Advanced Concepts & Enterprise Engineering, Blue Origin

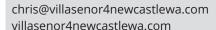
Statement: I'm a community-focused former Planning Commissioner running to protect and preserve single-family neighborhoods, parks, and green spaces. I'll advocate for reliable infrastructure, safe routes to schools, e-bike safety enforcement, strong police and emergency services, and robust programs for seniors and families. Mercer Island is where my wife and I are raising our three children.

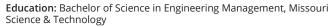
I support affordable homeownership while preserving neighborhood character. Olympia now mandates fourplexes citywide. *City Council, however, controls their size, design, and parking.* I'll prioritize a vibrant Town Center, protecting neighborhoods from oversized buildings and crowded streets. Our infrastructure is at its limits. Unchecked density jeopardizes safety and timely emergency response. With a Ph.D in aerospace engineering, I bring rigorous analysis and resident-focused leadership. I have no real-estate interests influencing my decisions on city planning and development.

Endorsements: Mayor Salim Nice, Councilmember Anderl, former councilmembers, commissioners, and many Islanders. I'm ready to serve with integrity and focus.



## Chris Villasenor





**Occupation:** Senior IT Consultant for SAP, Former Newcastle City Councilmember

Statement: As a 20-year resident, former Newcastle Councilmember, career technology professional, and proud father, I'm committed to protecting what makes our city special. I'm running for City Council to keep Newcastle safe, fiscally strong, and welcoming to all. Growing up in a small town, I value community and connection. I chose Newcastle to raise my family because of its safety, diversity, and livability.

My priorities are clear: strengthen public safety, ensure economic viability, and build a welcoming community for everyone. I will promote smart budgeting, support first responders, and advocate for inclusive policies that reflect our shared values. I'm stepping up again to do the hard work this position requires. Together, we can build a stronger Newcastle. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

I'm proud to be endorsed by KingCounty and 41st District Democrats, State Senator Wellman, State Representatives Thai and Zahn, and Newcastle Councilmembers Sherlock, Charbonneau, and Burford.

## Kevin Kirkaldie



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**Education:** University of Oregon, studied Economics and Communication **Occupation:** Residential Real Estate

**Statement:** I want to be your choice for Newcastle City Council... to save Newcastle! Newcastle is a small, friendly community with high quality of life. Trails all around. Safe traffic. Quiet neighborhoods. But we are at a crossroads. Recent legislation is urging growth with few restrictions. That means multiplexes, zero lot lines, no parking and more dangerous, crowded streets.

I support carefully managed growth to keep Newcastle, Newcastle. I support managed economic growth to foster quality local businesses to build revenue while reducing taxes. With 30+ years marketing to local television audiences, I know how to focus on what's most important to our community. With my experience helping people buy and sell homes, I know what people value most in our community.

I'll lead by listening to you and responding to what you hold most dear. I humbly ask for your vote to save Newcastle for today and for future generations.



#### Council Position No. 5

## Jim Quigg

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**Education:** J.D., Seattle University School of Law; B.A., Seattle University **Occupation:** T-Mobile Sourcing Manager; Newcastle City Councilmember **Statement:** Do you want Newcastle to turn into Seattle?

Me neither.

My wonderful wife and I moved from Seattle to Newcastle to raise our family. Just like you, we love that our friendly hometown is *small*, *quiet*, and so *safe*. I've been honored to serve you as a councilmember & planning commissioner. If you vote for me, I'll keep protecting your quality of life, home values & family. I'll keep voting for *you*, not the outside groups who are endorsing others. I have three priorities: *Safe Neighborhoods*: Our police will preserve Newcastle's peaceful character by protecting your neighborhood from crime and speeders. *Lower Taxes*: I'll keep cutting millions in wasteful spending, so your family can keep its money, not pay more taxes. *Community Values*: We'll maintain our quiet parks, trails & fun events, and we'll reject the never-ending construction and traffic. I'm proudly endorsed by the bipartisan Eastside Business Alliance.

## Karin Frost Blakley

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**Education:** University of Washington, Bachelor in Communications, Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Occupation: Financial Advisor, CRPC, AAMS, LPL Financial

**Statement:** Newcastle has been a wonderful place to raise my two sons, and I want to ensure future generations have the same opportunity. Volunteering as President of Hazelwood PTSA, President of the Greater Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, and as a 10-year Planning Commissioner was an honor. Now I am ready to serve you on Council.

It's vital that Newcastle continues to be a place that is welcoming and safe. Parks, trails, streets and sidewalks must be adequately maintained. Fire and police protection must be ample, and growth should be planned with viability in mind. As I have for decades, I promise to work hard serving Newcastle to maintain our high quality of life and to be your voice on Council. Additionally, I'll bring my expertise of 20 years as a Financial Advisor.

Endorsements: KingCounty and 41st Democrats, Senator Wellman, Representatives Thai and Zahn, and Councilmembers Sherlock, Charbonneau, and Burford.



#### **Paul** Charbonneau

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Education: National Public Policy Fellow, University of Michigan. BA-Political Science, Occidental College. K-12 Newcastle Schools

Occupation: Newcastle Councilmember. Assistant Wrestling Coach, Hazen. Deputy Director, Bobman Consulting.

Statement: Elected as your first-ever Councilmember raised in Newcastle, I've delivered for our community: Leading efforts to bring back \$1.28M from the state for local projects, doubling the number of town halls to make our city more transparent, and expanding public safety services to keep you safe.

I've created new city initiatives focused on economic development, climate change, our Asian-American community, and behavioral health. I've been your champion for everything from adding new traffic lights and sidewalks to fighting for seniors to stay in their homes and for our LGBTQ+ community. I'm committed to being your voice at all levels of government and continuing to build a vibrant, safe, and affordable Newcastle!

Endorsements: King County & 41st District Democrats, Newcastle's Firefighters, Realtors, and Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates. Governor Ferguson, Congressman Smith, Senator Wellman, Representatives Thai & Zahn. Councilmembers Burford, Sherlock, Villaseñor(Fmr.), City Commissioners, and many more!

# Maggie

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Education: Certified Public Accountant (CPA); Master's in Accounting, Louisiana State University; Bachelor's, Utah State University

Occupation: Finance Professional at Boeing

**Statement:** I'm running for Newcastle City Council to put Newcastle first. As our city grows, we must prioritize residents' needs. Seniors shouldn't be priced out by rising property taxes. Affordable housing must benefit current residents and not outpace infrastructure. Traffic congestion and power outages aren't the price of progress but signs of poor planning. Balancing the budget shouldn't mean raising taxes or sacrificing our quality of life. Attracting business is a win-win solution.

With 25 years of finance experience at Boeing—16+ years leading teams—I bring expertise, accountability, and leadership to deliver results. As your Planning Commissioner, I've listened to your concerns and fought for transparency, most recently during the Critical Areas Ordinance process.

I will be a voice for every resident—not special interests or any political parties. My service on the nonprofit board of Building Changes reflects my belief that united communities leave no one behind. Endorsed by Eastside **Business Alliance** 



#### Council Position No. 7

#### Sarah Goodman

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Education: Bachelor of Arts, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA Occupation: Senior Technology Program/Project Management Consultant, Board Member - Cancer Pathways

Statement: As your Newcastle City Councilmember, I will prioritize public safety, responsible growth, and transparent, responsive government. I'm committed to preserving Newcastle's natural beauty, safety, and small-town feel as our community grows, without raising taxes.

With 25+ years as a Program Manager at Microsoft, I bring strong skills in budgeting, project management, and collaborative problem-solving; tools our city needs to stay financially sound while delivering essential services. 20 years ago, my late husband and I chose Newcastle because we wanted to raise our family in a safe community with a neighborly atmosphere. I've raised my son here as our city grew into the vibrant, close-knit community we all value.

I believe there's strength in diverse perspectives. I'm committed to listening, fostering respectful dialogue, and ensuring outcomes are guided by collective input. Let's work together to ensure Newcastle remains a welcoming, thriving city for future generations. I respectfully ask for your vote.

## **Andy Jacobs**

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Occupation: Managing Partner of Access Unlimited USA and AU Blendz Statement: My wife and I planted roots here in 1995, raised our three

children, and now enjoy being grandparents in this wonderful city. With 45 years of business and leadership experience—including two decades in management at Costco helping to pioneer the \$4.99 rotisserie chicken and managing the \$1.50 hot dog!—I'm running for Newcastle City Council to help build a more connected, inclusive, and safe community for all.

I support strong public safety, well-maintained streets, and thoughtful community growth. I will champion local businesses, cultural events, and initiatives that foster Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion—because every resident deserves to feel seen and heard. My experience as a Jewish man has shaped my understanding of inclusion and the importance of ensuring all voices are valued in our community.

Endorsed by KingCounty and 41st District Democrats, State Senator Wellman, Representatives Thai and Zahn, and Councilmembers Ariana Sherlock, Paul Charbonneau, and Sun Burford.



## Vivek Prakriya

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**Education:** University of Washington: BS Computer Science, BS Physics, BA Mathematics (2026); LWSD Alumni

**Occupation:** Redmond Human Services Commission; Software Engineer at Al Startup; Ex-Amazon

**Statement:** I'm running to bring fresh ideas, new leadership and a technical perspective to council. I'm a graduate of Redmond's public schools, a member of our city's Human Services Commission, and an engineer at a veteranowned small business. I'm proud to be endorsed by every sitting state legislator representing Redmond.

On council, I'll prioritize safety, affordability and inclusivity. Thousands lost power during last November's bomb cyclone — we must invest in sustainable and resilient infrastructure. I'll work to ensure seniors and families aren't priced out of their homes, prioritize quality parks and accessible transit, and protect Redmond's beautiful environment. Let's build a Redmond that's prepared for the future while preserving what makes our community special!

Endorsed: Redmond Firefighters; Congresswoman Suzan DelBene; Eastside Business Alliance; Redmond Mayor Birney and City Council President Kritzer; Senators Slatter and Dhingra; Representatives Walen, Springer, Goodman, Salahuddin; County Councilmember Perry; King County Democrats; 45th, 48th LD Democrats.

## Steve Fields

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

**Occupation:** Government Finance and Operations Manager. Youth Sports and Recreation Official

Statement: Before you vote, ask yourself this important question. Does this candidate have the courage to stand up for what is right, even when it's not comfortable or convenient? I have prioritized the wider community needs over special interests and narrow political party agendas. Transparency, especially when admitting mistakes, is a central principle of good governance and keeping public trust.

I have worked to make sure our taxpayer investments in transportation choices, public safety, affordable housing, environment protection, and increased parks are made carefully and always made with public scrutiny.

My guiding principle is to represent you. The best elected leaders know their job is to encourage all people to speak up, respect differences of opinion, and champion the ideas that make our lives better. City Council requires serious commitment, time, knowledge and empathy. My deep experience is needed for the challenging times ahead and I take this job seriously.



#### 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:** Redmond City Councilmember; Together Center Board; Former: Non-profit philanthropy director

**Statement:** As your Councilmember, I'm engaged, focused, and approachable. I'm a consistent voice for housing affordability, strengthening our community, and climate resilience. In the last four years, I worked to make community-led decisions, promote equity, and solve problems creatively.

I'm running for re-election because I believe Redmond can be a great place to live for *all*. To council, I bring years of experience breaking down barriers for youth and families; including my work at Youth Eastside Services to provide affordable behavioral healthcare 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 Redmond Library Trustee.

Endorsements: King County & LD 45/48 Democrats; Congresswoman DelBene, Senators: Dhingra & Slatter; Representatives: Goodman, Salahuddin, Walen, Zahn; King County Councilmembers Balducci & Perry; 30+ Eastside mayors and councilmembers; Redmond Fire Local 2829; Sierra Club; Alliance for Gun Responsibility.

#### Kay Asai

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Education: Bachelor of Science in Business, Marketing; The University of

Occupation: Neighborhood and Family Advocate

**Statement:** Thank you for voting in the primary. As a naturalized citizen, mother of three, and longtime Redmond resident, I know firsthand how the soaring cost of living, rising crime, and divisive politics are straining everyday families. I'm running for City Council to restore *transparent*, *common-sense governance* that keeps our city safe, affordable, and accountable to you.

I will champion a *drug-free community* where children can play in our neighborhoods and parks without worrying their parents. I will fully fund and empower our police, fire, and EMS, and reject nonessential projects that divert resources from public safety.

I will *oppose new or hidden taxes*, cut wasteful spending, streamline regulations, and welcome job-creating small businesses so people can afford to live, work, prosper, and retire here. I will defend parental and property rights and protect private property owners from burdensome regulations. I humbly ask for your vote. Endorsed by District 48 Republicans



#### Menka Soni

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**Education:** MBA, Investment Banking; Bachelor-of-Science, Lucknow University; WA Real Estate Certification, DE&I Certification Carnegie Mellon **Occupation:** 30 years leadership: Microsoft, Starbucks, T-Mobile, and GM; Founder/President, AmPowering

**Statement:** Redmond needs a leader who listens, represents your needs, and fights for a future where everyone can thrive. I'm running because leadership means showing up, solving problems, and standing with the people who make this city strong.

With over 30 years of experience in business, public service, civic leadership, and community organizing, I've built partnerships that create jobs, expand housing, support small businesses, protect the environment, and celebrate diversity. As a mom, small business owner, and volunteer leader rooted in Redmond, I bring a full-circle understanding of our challenges and how to solve them. As VP of OneRedmond Foundation, Redmond Arts Commissioner and Founder of AmPowering (nonprofit), I've helped thousands access resources. I'm ready to bring that same energy and heart to City Hall. Let's Empower Redmond together.

Sole Endorsed: Local Democratic Party (King County-LD48-LD45); Redmond Mayor Birney, Commissioners Upthegrove, Kuderer; Senators Dhingra, Slatter, Stanford; Bellevue, Woodinville, Bothell Mayors; more.

## Jeralee Anderson

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

**Occupation:** President-CEO, Sustainable Transport Council; City Councilmember; Beagle Rescue Volunteer

**Statement:** It is a privilege to serve as your Councilmember. I am running for re-election to ensure Redmond thrives and builds diverse opportunities for families, small businesses, and future generations. *I believe everyone should feel safe, empowered, and respected when they interact with city government.* 

As an executive leader, construction engineer, and social entrepreneur, I am passionate about smart development, environmental protection, and community health and safety. Since 2018, I have successfully collaborated to pass policies for climate change, green energy, affordable housing, and traffic safety. At all levels of government, I champion reliable transportation, broadband access, clean air, and clean water.

As a granddaughter of veterans, a member of a union family, and survivor of sexual assault, I fight for accountability, stewardship, and inclusiveness in city services and infrastructure. Let's work together to invest in housing stability, climate security, and fair wages for all. *Thank you for your vote!* 

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#### James Alberson

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

**Occupation:** Current Renton City Council President; Business Owner, Sandler Training

**Statement:** As City Council President, I'm committed to common-sense thinking and driving fair, thoughtful decisions that improve quality of life in Renton. In my first term, I've gained valuable experience and insight into addressing key issues, advancing vital initiatives, and working with residents to meet real needs.

My priorities are accountability, safety, and opportunity. We must restore personal responsibility, reject a culture of excuse-making, and effectively address issues that threaten public safety. I'm also focused on expanding opportunities through inclusive economic growth, workforce development, and affordable access to education and skills training. Everyone in Renton should have the opportunity to build a better life for themselves and their family. With your vote, we will build a stronger, more vibrant Renton—one that serves as a model for the region.

Endorsements: Mayors Armondo Pavone and Denis Law, Renton Councilmembers Prince, Perez, and O'Halloran; King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, Eastside Business Alliance, and more.

## Michael Westgaard

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**Education:** Center for Employment Education, a technical trade school in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Occupation:** King County Wastewater Operator. Union Shop Steward and Board Member.

**Statement:** Renton is becoming unaffordable for workers. We have Seattle rents without the high paying jobs. I want to bring more high paying jobs to Renton. I helped lead Renton's new minimum wage ballot initiative and support enforcement to help Renton residents make ends meet.

We pay taxes to Sound Transit, but that money is spent in Bellevue and elsewhere. I'll fight for our share. We need more affordable housing and to help keep seniors in their homes. Let's build social housing on vacant public land. Everyone who works hard deserves a safe place to live. The state legislature passed a law preventing rent gouging. I want to make sure it's enforced. Above all we need to make our neighborhoods safe.

I am proud to be endorsed by Local Democrats, Boeing Machinists, Home Care workers, the King County Labor Council and elected leaders. However, the endorsement that matters most is yours.



#### Council Position No. 2

#### Carmen Rivera

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Education: Tiffany Park, Nelsen MS, Lindbergh HS, Seattle University, University of Liverpool

**Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember, Assistant Dean, Assistant Teaching Professor, Seattle University

**Statement:** As a lifelong Renton resident, educator, and former case manager, I'm running for re-election because our families deserve a city that is *safe*, *affordable*, and *accountable*.

I was the first Councilmember to support raising Renton's minimum wage, ensuring workers can have jobs with better pay. I've led efforts to invest in youth violence prevention, expand access to mental and behavioral health supports, and rebuild trust between our community and law enforcement through co-responder partnerships. As the only Councilmember with direct social service experience, I know how systems fail and where they must be strengthened. I fight for working families, small businesses, and neighborhoods with safe housing for all.

I'm the only candidate in this race endorsed by King County Democrats and labor unions. I bring lived experience, progressive values, and a record of action. Renton deserves leaders who show up, listen, and deliver. I'd be grateful to earn your vote.

## Mary Clymer

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**Education:** Lakeridge Elementary, McKnight MS, Renton HS, Central Washington University, and American Musical and Dramatic Academy

Occupation: Health and wellness small business owner

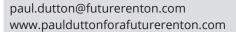
**Statement:** Renton deserves practical leadership rooted in community, not party lines. I'm a three-time Renton Volunteer of the Year, former Renton Arts Commissioner, and a proud advocate for our city. Through years of public and customer service, I've learned the power of listening, creative problem-solving, and helping others.

My support comes directly from neighbors, local leaders, and those invested in Renton's future. I show up, listen, and understand what matters most to the people who live and work here. I'm committed to strengthening community connections, supporting thoughtful growth, and finding practical solutions that reflect Renton's diverse needs. My priorities include public safety, supporting small businesses, accessible recreation, and community-centered decision-making that brings more voices to the table.

Endorsed by Mayor Pavone, former Mayor Denis Law, many current and past councilmembers, small business owners, and a growing number of community members. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



## Paul Dutton





**Education:** Master of Business Administration, University of Utah; BS Mining Engineering, Michigan Technological University

**Occupation:** Professional Civil Engineer, Licensed in Eight States Including Washington

**Statement:** I'm stepping up because I understand that the status quo isn't working. I want to build a safe, accessible, and inclusive Renton where all residents have access to the resources they need to thrive. Renton is growing quickly, and we are leaving too many of our working families, small businesses, seniors, immigrants, and LGBTQIA+ neighbors behind.

My family has called Renton home since 2006. As a 25-year Professional Engineer, I've worked on Discovery Channel sized projects from roads to light rail to tunnels. I understand what it takes to solve problems and make people's lives better. Listening to community, I'll use my expertise to address safety, affordability, housing, and transit issues in the city I love.

I'm a PTA dad, former Scout Leader, Rotarian, and endorsed by King County Democrats, Transit Riders Union, Washington State Progressive Caucus, and many others. Together, we can build the future Renton we all deserve

## Ruth Pérez

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**Education:** Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership, Master's degree in Business Administration, Bachelor's degree in Communication Science **Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember, small business owner, and former Governor's Advisor

Statement: Renton welcomed me as a Latina immigrant and I've been blessed to serve you as Councilmember since 2014. My years of experience in government and community advocacy have helped me get things done on issues that matter. Public safety, transportation, the environment, and human services impact all of us every day. Your safety is my top priority. I've supported adding well trained police officers, body cameras, and mental health responders to keep us safe. I've championed regional funding for parks, trails, senior services, and transportation. As King County and Washington State mandate more growth I've listened to your concerns, pushed for smart, cost-effective local planning, and fought for Renton's fair share of resources. I would be honored to continue serving Renton.

Endorsements: Congressman Adam Smith, Rep. Steve Bergquist, Mayor Armondo Pavone, Councilmembers Prince, O'Halloran, McIrvin, Alberson; Former Mayors Denis Law and Kathy Keolker; MLK Labor; King County Democrats, and more.



#### Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1

#### Jessica Giner

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Occupation: City of Renton Municipal Court Judge

**Statement:** Judge Giner has served the City of Renton as a Municipal Court Judge since 2021. With 20 years of balanced legal experience, she is a knowledgeable and equitable decision-maker and has been rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" by the King County Bar Association and received high ratings from six minority bar associations.

A native of South King County, Judge Giner created Renton Municipal Court's Youth Traffic Court and Mental Health Calendar programs. She is an active volunteer with the YMCA Mock Trial Program, Judges in the Classroom, and the Constitution Day civics learning programs. She also serves on a statewide committee overseeing access to services to restore mental health competency. Judge Giner has been elected by her fellow judges statewide as Vice President of the District & Municipal Court Judges Association.

Endorsed by: National Women's Political Caucus of Washington; International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers (IAM 751); King County Democrats.



#### Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2

## Kara Murphy Richards



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Education: Notre Dame Law School, JD 1995

Occupation: Renton Municipal Court, Presiding Judge

Statement: Judge Murphy Richards looks forward to continuing to serve Renton. Appointed in 2019 by Mayor Law (Ret.) to start Renton's first Community Court and elected in 2021, Kara has a public service career that spans almost 40 years. She has served as a Social Worker, Probation Officer, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate, Prosecuting Attorney and Judge Pro Tem. She has worked hard to bring the court into the classrooms and the community and to invite the same into the courtroom through events like Constitution Day, Law Day and various mock trial competitions.

Kara and her husband Craig live in the Renton Highlands. They have six children, six grandchildren and four beloved dogs. A former board member for Mary's Place and Athletes for Kids, Kara also enjoys doing public speaking on a variety of topics.



## Harlan Gallinger

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**Education:** M.D. University of Washington School of Medicine; B.S. University of Puget Sound

Occupation: Emergency Physician; Board Member, Issaquah School District Statement: I ask for the opportunity to represent your interests in guiding the future of Sammamish. I believe that the Council needs to work harder to listen to neighborhood and community feedback. The Council should be approachable and work together to represent our collective interests that support why most of us moved here: great schools, safe neighborhoods, and beautiful natural environments.

Any plans to add additional housing units to the Sammamish Town Center need more community engagement. While affordable housing should be a priority, we need clear understanding of the impact on city property tax revenue. We cannot support development that is not financially sustainable.

Raising taxes needs to be the last alternative to managing Sammamish's budget challenges. I have a decade of experience representing the community's interests and developing a \$400+ million dollar operating budget that delivers a world-class education while maintaining a healthy fund balance and stable tax rates.

## Amy Lam

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

Occupation: Creative Manager, Washington State Department of Health Statement: I'm a 30-year Sammamish resident and it's been an honor to serve as your Deputy Mayor. I'm running for re-election to continue the forward-thinking vision our Council set in 2022. We've laid strong foundations through key plans like the Climate Action Plan, Transportation Master Plan, and the 2024 Comprehensive Plan which will guide our city's sustainable growth.

I successfully advocated to double sidewalk funding to \$2.4 million over six years, accelerating pedestrian safety improvements. I also championed the partial opening of Beaton Hill Park, offering a safe trail for walkers. Over the next four years, I'm focused on fiscal sustainability, extreme weather resilience, and the Town Center to expand housing options, grow revenue with new businesses, and create a community gathering space.

*Committees*: KC Board of Health (Co-Vice Chair), KC Solid Waste Advisory Committee *Endorsements*: Sierra Club/WA, 41st & 45th LD Democrats, State Reps. Thai and Zahn, and more.



#### Council Position No. 3

## Sid Gupta



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**Education:** Studied Political Science at University of Tulsa; Native Plant Stewardship Program, Washington Native Plant Society

Occupation: Board member of environmental nonprofit; City Councilmember

**Statement:** I'm running for re-election to further realize a responsible, inclusive, and prosperous Sammamish. With eight years on our Parks and Recreation Commission, as a Native Plant Steward, and as Sammamish's 2018 Volunteer of the Year, I've spent a decade translating our community's passions into meaningful policy.

Sustainability must be the core of our climate, transportation, and fiscal policies. To meet challenges like environmental conservation, multimodal connectivity, economic development, and equity, I've built regional relationships through committees including the Eastside Transportation Partnership and Kokanee Work Group. I support a robust town center offering diverse, affordable housing while keeping our dollars in Sammamish; a healthy tree canopy cover goal, informing our stewardship and emergency management strategies; and a community center serving seniors, youth, and local nonprofits. Our diversity is our strength. Let's be stronger together.

Endorsed by Washington Conservation Action, Sierra Club/WA, King County Democrats, & 5th, 41st, and 45th LD Democrats.

## Josh Amato



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**Education:** Attended DeVry University; Former Sammamish Rotary President; Progressive Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) Board Member

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner; Former Sammamish Planning Commission Vice Chair

**Statement:** Our community deserves a government that works. But the Council has lost focus — raising taxes, delaying infrastructure improvements, and falling short on emergency planning. I'll strive for a government that delivers measurable progress, actively listens, and is responsive.

I'll ask tough questions, set priorities, and reform the budget to create an inclusive, transparent government that works for you. I support promises made in the original Town Center vision to create homes for seniors and young families — not doubling to 4,000 units. I'll guide balanced growth to expand sustainable housing, improve infrastructure, and increase transit options while protecting the environment and neighborhoods.

I'll push to turn the vacant CWU building into a thriving community center. Imagine a place where neighbors connect across generations, cultural events enrich lives, small businesses grow, and a thrift shop supports vital services. Let's build a vibrant Sammamish, together. I respectfully ask for your vote.



## Lin Yang

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Public Policy, Cornell University; Master's in Public Policy, Harvard University; MBA, UCLA.

**Occupation:** Communications Director, Microsoft. Former journalist and high school math teacher.

**Statement:** I grew up in Sammamish, graduated from *Eastlake*, and now I'm raising my kids here. Sammamish consistently ranks among best places to live. I'm running to ensure we not only protect that reputation, but continue to thrive so that seniors, working families, and the next generation can keep calling it home.

As a teen, I founded the *Sammamish Youth Board* to give students a voice in shaping City policies. Recently, I established the *Sammamish Independent*, our only newspaper. Both experiences reinforced my belief in the power of ambitious residents coming together to fill community needs. We need city leadership that matches our ambitions.

I'll put our residents' needs first by improving affordability, growing local businesses, investing in community spaces, reducing power outages, and protecting our environment. Let's build a thriving Sammamish together. Endorsements: 5th/41st/45th Democrats. Sierra Club, MLK Labor, Eastside Business Alliance. Senators Dhingra, Hunt. County Councilmembers Perry, Balducci, Zahilay.

## Michael Boyer

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**Education:** Ph.D. Capella University, MBA University of Dallas, BS Industrial Engineering LSU

**Occupation:** Business Strategy, Engineering, Operations Executive, Small Business Owner (retired)

**Statement:** I've proudly called Sammamish home for 30 years where my wife and I raised our two sons. Now, however, affordability and maintaining quality of life has become a difficult proposition for many. I am running to ensure that all residents, regardless of life stage, can thrive.

My career has been one of analysis, problem solving and leadership. As Sammamish is facing major financial, growth and environmental challenges, I will bring my decades of career experience to bear. My obligation is to our citizens, not special interests or those who are not yet here. Listening, representation, and trust in our residents are my commitments.

We cannot tax or build our way to prosperity. Fiscal responsibility is paramount. We must preserve the natural beauty and unique character of Sammamish. Decisions and investments must serve the public good of all residents. I promise to pursue *prosperity*, *preservation* and *public good* in every action.



#### Council Position No. 7

## Debbie Treen

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, Seattle University **Occupation:** Retired CFO, Cornish College and CFO Selections, former Bothell Mayor

**Statement:** Sammamish is at a turning point, and I'm ready to lead with integrity, experience, and results. As a former Mayor, retired CFO, long-time resident and mom, I've solved tough problems, managed complex budgets, and fought for what matters.

I support the 2000-unit Town Center plan, but oppose doubling to 4000 with high-rise buildings. This dense growth would overwhelm our infrastructure and forever change Sammamish. We face regressive taxes, budget shortfalls, and overdevelopment that threatens our roads, schools, environment, and quality of life. Developers get incentives with little public benefit, while residents are shut out of key decisions.

I'll fight for smart, sustainable growth, fiscal discipline, and transparent leadership that puts residents first, not special interests. Sammamish deserves professional leaders who understand both numbers and neighborhoods, protect our natural environment, and honor our community's character. It's time for accountable, balanced leadership with proven results. It's time for change. Elect Debbie Treen.

## Karen Howe

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

Occupation: Sammamish Mayor & Councilmember, former tech CEO

**Statement:** As your Mayor and Councilmember, we've improved roads, upgraded ballfields, added stringent stormwater standards, and updated critical area ordinances to protect wetlands and wildlife. I'm proud of our new Climate Action and Sustainability Plans, Transportation and Transit Master Plans, and the Housing Diversification Plan. I'm running for re-election to continue the progress we've made in just three years.

My vision for Sammamish is to remain safe, beautiful, welcoming, and environmentally and fiscally sustainable *for the long term*. I'm committed to keeping Sammamish livable, with diverse housing and retail, and efficient connections to jobs, schools, businesses, and open spaces. With attainable housing options for teachers, first-responders, young families, and retirees, we can build a future where everyone has access to amenities and a high quality of life.

Endorsements: Sierra Club/WA, Planned Parenthood, KC Democrats, and over 30 state senators, representatives, mayors, and councilmembers. Boards: Eastside Fire, KC Emergency Management, Regional Transit.



#### Michelle Evans



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**Education:** B.A. University of Washington, Specialized Masters Programs at Northwestern, Duke & Stanford

Occupation: Principal Delivery Operations Leader, Microsoft

Statement: As your elected Councilmember, I've prioritized strategic planning and delivering the overdue infrastructure Woodinville needs. Council majority secured \$23 million in grants to rebuild the trestle, add new roads and roundabouts, expand sidewalks, add trails, fix bridges, and proactively address traffic congestion to support state-mandated growth.

We delivered our first Climate Action Plan, enacted tenant protections, and the first workforce affordable housing in decades. We expanded community safety by funding CORE Connect crisis responders, adding mental health co-responders, and expanding restorative justice via Community Court. Under our leadership, Woodinville has maintained a balanced budget, without raising city taxes, by securing regional, state, and federal investments.

I'll continue to deliver our strategic plans to improve roads, trails, parks, and sidewalks, supporting Woodinville businesses, and protecting neighborhoods. With 25+ years of leadership and deep community roots, I'm endorsed by King County Democrats, Mayor Millman, Deputy Mayor Randolph, and 25+ more at Michelle4Woodinville.com.

## Jeff Lyon





**Education:** MBA in Accounting, American Military University; BBA, The College of William and Mary

**Occupation:** Chairperson, Democratic Woodinville; Engineering Manager; Former US Navy, Sheriff's Deputy

**Statement:** I am a father, husband, and veteran who is standing up for the future of our city. Woodinville is changing under a government that prioritizes optics, regional agendas, and outside interests over residents.

My priorities are *Stronger Community, More Accountability*, and *Less Traffic*. I'll preserve Woodinville's character by requiring integrated affordability, protecting small businesses, promoting open spaces, and stopping politically driven plans for segregated housing. I'll restore fiscal responsibility with a balanced budget, a strengthened ethics code, and smarter spending that prioritizes neighborhood parks and safety over wasteful developer handouts. I'll push for expanded transit and ensure that SR-202 improvements serve current residents, not induced demand from new high-rise development.

Endorsed by Former Mayors Gary Harris, Elaine Cook, and Chuck Price who are counting on me to restore balance, democratic participation, and the highest standards of conduct to our city government.

#### Council Position No. 3

## Rachel Best-Campbell

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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Human Biology Focused on Public Health, Stanford University

Occupation: Woodinville City Councilmember, Community Leader, Writer Statement: My family has lived in Woodinville continuously for 25 years. My son attended Wellington, Leota, Woodinville High School and is now in college. I have volunteered at all 3 schools in both academic and athletic capacities. My love for Woodinville runs deep.

As your Councilmember I champion pedestrian safety, sustainable development, city-wide affordability, and assist small businesses and residents with city issues. I led Old Town businesses in their fight against over-development and completed the trail systems in Greenbrier and Wood Trails.

I will continue to advocate for logical growth without sacrificing the unique character of our neighborhoods. My top priorities are infrastructure improvements that benefit residents, the expansion of our public transit system, and responsible spending to avoid property tax increases. I humbly ask for your vote. Woodinville Endorsements: Former Mayors Elaine Cook, Gary Harris and James Evans, Democratic Woodinville, and Concerned Neighbors of Woodinville (CNW)

# Amber Wise



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**Education:** Meatcutter Apprenticeship, WeTrain/South Seattle College **Occupation:** Political/Community Organizer, UFCW 300

**Statement:** Woodinville is at a crossroads, and we have a choice. We can either let growth define and shape us; or we can lead with vision and shape it together.

I'm a mom raising two kids, Public Spaces Commissioner, and a worker advocate whose career uplifts voices in local government. I know how to bring people together to get things done. We have some great opportunities to shape a walkable, green downtown that feels genuine to Woodinville. I'm excited to expand access to nature and neighborhoods through projects like the Eastrail Trail and the potential the proposed community center brings to our city in how we connect.

I'm endorsed by Woodinville's Firefighters, Mayor Mike Millman, and the King County Democrats. I'll bring thoughtful, inclusive leadership to our city council and work every day to keep Woodinville a place we're all proud to call home. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



#### Sarah Arndt

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**Education:** B.A. History, UNC Charlotte, M.A. Teaching, Western Illinois University, M.Phil. and Ph.D. History, TCD

Occupation: Senior Manager with The North Urban Human Services Alliance

**Statement:** Sarah Arndt is committed to fostering a thriving, inclusive Woodinville. As a dedicated councilmember since 2022, she has championed thoughtful growth, expanded affordable housing, and worked to enhance transportation and public spaces. With a background in education, nonprofit leadership, and community advocacy, Sarah brings a collaborative approach to city government, ensuring transparency and responsiveness to neighbors' needs.

Sarah's priorities include increasing affordable housing, improving transportation infrastructure, safeguarding Woodinville's natural environment, and expanding recreational opportunities. She believes in balancing development with preserving the city's unique character and ensuring that all neighbors have access to stable housing and vibrant parks and public spaces.

Her leadership is rooted in listening, engaging, and taking action to build a stronger community. Reelect Sarah to continue the work of making Woodinville a place everyone can live, work, and thrive. Sole Endorsements: Eastside Firefighters IAFF Local 1762, KC and 1st LD Democrats, many elected leaders and residents.

## Bobby Amiri

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**Education:** B.A.S in Biology & Chemistry, cum laude — OCU. B.S. in Engineering, Graduate Studies, UW.

Occupation: Real Estate Managing Broker, Self-employed.

**Statement:** Woodinville is at a pivotal moment. We need leadership that puts people first— residents, families, local businesses, and the environment. I will work to preserve what makes our city special while promoting smart, balanced growth, housing options for all ages, strong public safety, and transparency at City Hall.

I'm not a career politician— I'm your neighbor. I've lived in Woodinville for 35 years. My wife and I raised our seven kids here, and I want to protect the community we all love. As a managing broker & negotiator, I've helped thousands of families navigate complex challenges with practical commonsense solutions.

Let's shape our future with purpose— not let it be defined by unchecked growth. *The decisions you make will shape the Woodinville your children will inherit.* Whether you are a first time voter, or have deep roots within our community, your voice matters! I'd be honored to earn your vote!



#### Council Position No. 7

## James Randolph

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**Education:** Bachelors of Science in Computer Science, Southern University **Occupation:** Engineering Manager

**Statement:** It has been my honor to represent our beautiful city with a commitment to community-first leadership. In my first term, I collaborated with neighbors, local businesses, and regional partners to secure \$21 million in grants for key projects. I also advocated for the Wood Trails and Eastrail Parks and helped keep the transfer station out of Woodinville.

I'm running to maintain our natural environment, thoughtfully manage our growth so we improve our built environment, and increase local amenities. I'm also working to expand bus service that will connect us to Light Rail—efforts that will reduce traffic and support affordable housing. We're just getting started; together we can ensure Woodinville remains the best place to live and take action on the things that will make us more prosperous, inclusive, and forward-looking. I am endorsed by the King County Democrats and a growing list available at james4woodinville.com

#### Jaren Hanson



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Education: Bachelor of Science in Political Science

**Occupation:** Public Relations

Statement: Woodinville is a beautiful oasis in the middle of busy metropolitan Seattle with lush farmland and peaceful neighborhoods. Unfortunately, in an effort to cater to developers, policies have been implemented that have caused rampant traffic issues and overcrowding, which if not properly dealt with, will lead to significant infrastructure problems and safety issues.

My background as a former police officer has given me a hands-on understanding of public safety and infrastructure preservation. As a husband, father, and proud citizen of Woodinville, I want to focus on protecting what makes Woodinville the ideal place to live and raise a family.

As a member of the Woodinville City Council, I will listen to and represent my neighbors so that their voice is heard on the city council and not drowned out by developers with deep pockets.



## Mayor

## Aletha Howes

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



## **Council Position No. 1**

## Stacy Saal

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



## Brad Wheeler

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



## **Council Position No. 5**

## Tom Stowe

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No statement submitted.



#### Mayor

## Joseph D Sabey



Education: University of Notre Dame

Occupation: Cheif Commercial Officer - Sabey Corporation

**Statement:** As a long-time resident of Hunts Point, I care deeply about preserving the unique character of our town while ensuring it remains a safe, beautiful, and welcoming place.

With experience on the Planning Commission and as Mayor, I've focused on delivering responsive, transparent leadership. I'm committed to maintaining strong public safety, protecting our natural environment, and managing our budget responsibly.

Raising my family here gives me a personal stake in Hunts Point's future. I am committed to making sure our town remains a great home for families for generation to come. I look forward to continuing our work together and would be grateful for your support.



#### Council Position No. 1

#### Ken Fisher



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

Occupation: Real Estate Investment

**Statement:** I appreciate the opportunity to have served the residents of the Town of Hunts Point the last 16 years. 14 years on the Town Council and 2 years on the Planning Commission.

I am running for office to continue to serve your interests by working with the residents, Town Council members, Mayor, staff, and neighboring communities to protect our continuity of government and the peaceful and sylvan nature of our town. It is important to continue to work within our budget, keep taxes low, protect our environment, fully fund our police and fire departments and look after our infrastructure. I will continue to work with you to keep the things that make sense and improve the things that don't.

It will be my honor to receive your vote so we can continue to work together to help keep our town a wonderful place to live for years to come.



#### Ted Frantz



**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. Due to recent laws passed in Olympia which will impact the town's character, we will do our best to deal with these mandatory changes to our zoning codes. I will continue to represent our town on the regional Salmon Recovery Council helping to preserve a northwest icon and the environment we all live in.

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

Thank You, I appreciate your vote.



#### Council Position No. 5

#### Jonathan Vossler



Education: Associates in Business Management, Bellevue College

Occupation: CEO, Vossler Media Group

**Statement:** I am running for Hunts Point Town Council to serve our residents and help preserve the charm, safety, and natural beauty that make our community so special. As a lifelong Washingtonian, I care deeply about protecting our quality of life while planning thoughtfully for the future.

My experience as a CEO specializing in business operations and strategic planning equips me to make informed, balanced decisions. I have managed budgets, led teams, and guided complex projects with transparency and accountability. On the Council, I will apply these skills to ensure resources are used wisely and in ways that benefit our town.

I believe in listening, collaboration, and open communication. My priorities are planning for the future, maintaining safety, and fostering a thriving community. Hunts Point is more than a place—it is a shared way of life with rich history. I would be honored to serve and to earn your vote.

#### 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 fourteen years that I've served as your council member. I have lived in Hunts Point for twenty-eight years and have a deep appreciation for the quality of life and the traditions of our town; I am dedicated to preserving and enhancing both. I will continue to support sound fiscal governance without raising taxes and without sacrificing infrastructure maintenance and beautification projects. And, as I have done in the past, I will continue to lead efforts to improve our public and open spaces for our community to enjoy for years to come. My time on the town council, coupled with forty-five years operating my own business, have equipped me with the skills and the experience needed to meet the town's challenges and opportunities over the next four years. 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: It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Mayor of Yarrow Point. Between the extraordinary volunteers on our Park, Planning and Wetherill Commissions; our dedicated Council; our partnership with the highly-competent CHPD; our stalwart and conscientious residents; and our exceptional staff, we have accomplished much:

Outgoing Mailbox, 92nd Sidewalk, Sally's Alley Facelift, Undergrounding Utilities, Speed Calming Achievements, Istvan's Landing, Quadrupled SUP, Lake Water Quality Program, Wetherill Advocacy, Over \$1M in grant funding, Climate Planning Action Team, Annual Movie Nights, Sharing Bench, Tree City, Pickleball Renovation, Fort Knox Mailboxes, Instagram, Comprehensive Plan, Unprecedented Municipal Code Updates, AV Solution accommodating virtual meetings, to name a few.

We are in a critical Town chapter in the wake of legislative mandates which threaten our solvency, our character, and our very existence. I commit to tirelessly advocating for the high standards and priorities our residents expect. I am grateful for your collaboration.



#### Council Position No. 1

## **Greg Hanson**

No photo submitted

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No statement submitted.



## Charles Porter



Education: Gonzaga University (Math) & University of Michigan (MBA)

Occupation: Semi-Retired

**Statement:** Proven leadership. Trusted voice. Focused on our future.

It's been my privilege to serve Yarrow Point—as King County Water District President, Stormwater Board Member, Town Council Member, and Mayor Pro Tem. Three years ago, you placed your trust in me by electing me to Town Council, and it's been an honor to serve.

I bring a *data-informed, common-sense* approach to local government. I strive to *listen first*, learn the facts, and act with integrity and transparency. We've made real progress, but important work lies ahead: restoring DOT service to the Point, resisting State zoning overreach, enhancing traffic safety, and managing our town's finances responsibly. I'll continue to work hard on your behalf to protect what makes Yarrow Point unique—while preparing it for the future. *Together, let's keep Yarrow Point moving forward.* 



#### Council Position No. 5

#### Brian Vanover

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No statement submitted.



## Tracy Mayclin

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**Education:** Proud Bellevue School District Graduate; B.A. Washington University in St. Louis

Occupation: Treasurer, Bellevue PTSA Council; Accounting Manager

Statement: Bellevue School District is in a financial crisis, facing state oversight due to low cash reserves and costs outpacing revenue. I'm running for school board to bring my 20+ years of expertise in accounting to achieve the highest financial standards and rebuild trust. I'm a proud Bellevue School District graduate, BSD parent, and PTSA officer. I believe in the transformative power of our public schools. Over the last decade I've partnered with educators, district leadership, and families to raise money to support students and strengthen our community.

On the School Board, I will work to increase academic excellence and close learning gaps. We must meet the unique needs of all our students through accessible tutoring, language support, and accommodations for students who learn in diverse ways. I'm deeply concerned with the high rates of depression, anxiety, and other mental health challenges that students are facing. I'll work to create a strong policy on cell-phone use in classrooms and work to mitigate the impact of social media on our kids.

Together, we can overcome our current challenges and make Bellevue School District world-class.

Endorsed by: National Women's Political Caucus of Washington, Washingtonians for a Better Future, and many more at tracymayclin. com.

#### **Marta Trilles**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Economics, University of Valencia; Master's in Marketing, ESIC University

**Occupation:** Former Language Access Lead, Bellevue School District; Former Budget Controller

Statement: Seeing my sons graduate from Bellevue High was a moment of pride, hope, and possibility—a moment that should belong to every student in our district. As a current school board director, I work every day to ensure our schools offer the support, opportunities, and excellence students need to thrive. I lead with a purpose: I listen, I act, and I work tirelessly to build trust, transparency, and collaboration within the community.

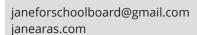
I have led the way in breaking down language barriers, creating the district's first-ever language access program for multilingual families—now a statewide model. As a former budget controller, I bring financial expertise that ensures every dollar spent advances student success, even in difficult times. Raising my children across four countries has shaped my priorities around equipping students with the global awareness and skills needed to succeed in today's interconnected world.

With your vote, we can build a school system where every student excels, every teacher is empowered, and every family is engaged in shaping a brighter future.

Endorsements: Bellevue Education Association; King County, 41st & 48th District Democrats; State Senators Wellman & Slatter; State Reps. Thai, Zahn, Salahuddin; Bellevue Mayor Robinson and Councilmembers Malakoutian, Hamilton, Sumadiwirya; and many more.



## Jane Aras



**Education:** Masters in Special Education, UW; Bachelors in Special Education with Endorsement in Psychology, Gonzaga University

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

**Statement:** Thank you for electing me to the Bellevue School District Board in 2021. As a parent, educator, and community advocate, I am dedicated to ensuring that every child receives a high quality education. During my term, I have focused on rebuilding trust by hiring a strong superintendent through a collaborative process and developing a strategic plan that amplifies student and community voices.

I prioritize transparency, equity, and accountability, strengthening financial communication and aligning with district priorities. I have supported the launch of bilingual K-12 programs, adopt data-driven curricula, expand STEM programs, and enhance services for special needs and high-cap students, alongside mental health supports.

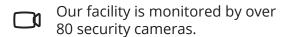
My experience in general and special education, as well as equity advocacy, informs my commitment to addressing challenges such as cultural assimilation, discrimination, bullying, and mental health issues.

I strive to improve stakeholder relationships and refine board processes to focus on effective, results-driven programs. Our district's diversity is a powerful asset, and I believe in honoring each student's background while supporting their growth. I will continue to elevate voices across our community and seek solutions that benefit all students, holding the district accountable for delivering results and advocating for every child—committed, equipped, and ready to lead.

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## Chinmay Nagarkar

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Networks), Stanford University, USA

Occupation: Senior Program Manager, Google, Inc.

Statement: No Talent Left Behind

As a Stanford-trained technologist leading engineering programs at Google, I know education opens doors. As a former computer-science teacher, STEM mentor and soccer coach, I've seen students soar with support. My daughter flourished in Issaquah's special-education programs, and my son's gifts led us to homeschool. One size doesn't fit all, but every child deserves a shot at success on a level playing field.

As Director, I'll set fiscally responsible policies. Spending has doubled in five years, yet more kids now struggle with mental health and academic neglect. I will firmly hold the system accountable, restoring objective district-wide goals for stress-free classrooms, academic excellence, creative thinking, parent engagement, and support for teachers. We will double funding for vocational training (CTE) and widen dual-credit pathways so students graduate ready for a career or college.

Overcrowding can be addressed with smart solutions. I will push for zero tolerance for substance abuse and bullying, and end distractions in classrooms so teachers can teach and students can thrive. A "Promised vs. Delivered" dashboard with quarterly updates will build trust and public accountability. I fix tough problems for a living—let's do the same for our schools. Vote to help every child flourish!

## **Natalie Anderson**

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Education: Woodinville High School Graduate

Occupation: Senior Manager of Quality Performance and Control, thyssenkrupp Aerospace

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grammar, or fact check candidate and measure statements.

Statement: Born and raised in Western Washington, I'm deeply rooted in the Issaguah School District community and committed to ensuring our schools are safe, inclusive, and forward-thinking. With over 20 years of leadership in the aerospace industry, I bring a data-driven, results-oriented approach to education. I appreciate the value of diversity and will work to provide a supportive and welcoming learning environment for every student. My vocational experience fuels my advocacy for expanding career and technical educational offerings and innovative career pathways.

As a proud parent of two students in the Issaquah School District, I've spent the past 5 years volunteering in my children's school as a PTA Board Director, Art Docent, Science Fair Chair, and Eagle Reader Program Chair. Involvement in my local school helps me apply practical knowledge to the big policy issues facing the district.

I've earned the trust and support of respected local organizations and leaders: King County Democrats; 5th District Democrats; Issaquah Education Association; Washington Education Association; State Senator Victoria Hunt; State Representative Lisa Callan; city council members from Renton, Issaguah, Sammamish, and Newcastle; Issaquah School Board Director Matt Coyne; and many more community leaders across the district. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



#### M Thomas Lazzara



Education: Loras College, Dubuque, IA; United States Navy

Occupation: WA Life Producer

Statement: This campaign is committed to making students workforce-ready by prioritizing practical learning and social-emotional development from Pre-K through 12th grade. We believe education must equip students not only with academic knowledge but also with the skills to thrive in real-world environments. In addition, we recognize the urgent need for disaster planning in schools, especially where education intersects with the growing threat of gun violence—every child deserves a safe place to learn. Lastly, protecting equitable education starts with early learning. By investing in strong foundations for all children, we can close opportunity gaps and build a brighter, more inclusive future.

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

**Occupation:** General Manager - Americas Marketing; Microsoft Corporation

**Statement:** As an Issaquah School District parent and current School Board Director, I am dedicated to ensuring *Exceptional Educational Experiences for All Students*. I know that public education is the cornerstone of a strong and vibrant community and that every student deserves access to high-quality learning that prepares them for lifelong success.

Since joining the School Board in 2019, I have worked to advance policies that promote student achievement, school safety, responsible budgeting, and effective and inclusive learning environments. I've analyzed student data and district programs to identify strengths and areas for growth, and I meet regularly with students, families, teachers, staff, and community members.

With 18 years of mission-driven board service and a professional background in finance, operations, and leadership, I bring the experience and dedication needed to navigate challenges and drive continuous improvement.

I am proud to have these endorsements: 5th and 41st Legislative District Democrats, King County Democrats, Issaquah Education Association, and National Women's Political Caucus of Washington. I am committed to listening to all perspectives and making thoughtful decisions that support every student. It would be an honor to continue serving as your Director for District 4. I respectfully ask for your vote.



## **Angela** Meekhof

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Occupation: social worker; currently at home parent/community volunteer

Statement: Being of service to others is a core value of mine. I've lived this through my work as a foster parent and social worker, supporting some of our most vulnerable children and families. Serving as a school board director is a natural extension of my commitment to our community and a role that will benefit from my perspective and experience.

My family has lived on the Eastside for over two decades and I'm proud to educate my children in the Lake Washington School District. We've participated in music programs and athletics, explored alternative high school pathways, and navigated the complex world of special education services. I've been an active member of the PTSA at many schools and was a substitute teacher during the pandemic. I currently volunteer with Pantry Packs and the Lunch Buddy mentor program.

Supporting and celebrating our diverse community of teachers, students and their families is essential for our district to thrive, adapt and evolve. As your school board director, I will work to ensure all voices are heard and that district policies reflect the varied needs of our community.

Endorsements: King County Democrats; 1st, 45th and 48th Legislative District Democrats, Washington Education Association-Political Action Committee

## Susan **Hughes**

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Education: Bachelor of Science, Merchandising, University of Arizona; Graduate, Interior Design, Harrington College of Design

Occupation: Leasing Agent, Former Paraeducator

Statement: I am a parent, educator, and community member with over a decade as a paraeducator in the Bellevue school District.

I have seen first hand what matters most in education: academic excellence, classroom safety, and honest partnerships with families. I support parental rights, curriculum transparency, and a focus on academic – not emotional or ideological- learning. I do not support gender transformation ideology in schools. I will advocate for responsible budgeting, strong STEM and arts programs, teacher and student support, and improved mental health resources.

With experience supporting students, collaborating with parents, and working along side teachers, I am ready to serve our district's children. I respectfully ask for your vote.



#### Aspen Richter

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Caltech, and Sustainable Business Practices certification, UCSD

Occupation: former VP Product Management; environmental sustainability advocate; community volunteer

Statement: With three students attending Lake Washington School District and as a special education and highly capable education parent, I bring broad lived experience in our schools to this position. I have deeply and consistently engaged in the District, serving on three District advisory committees, two local school PTSAs, and the district-level Council PTSA. We need board directors with relevant, modern skills and "big picture" thinking. My combined STEM education and experience with software development, executive product management, and state legislative & regulatory processes match this need.

Changes to high school schedules, special education, highly capable education, and more have my family and others asking how their students will be supported. We must continue delivering an outstanding LWSD education to *all* students, even with tightening budgets and uncertain funding. Above all, I plan to ensure a Board that is responsive to and connecting with families and students.

Endorsed by the other four Lake Washington school director positions and by all three mayors in LWSD.

Endorsements include: State Senators Stanford, Wellman (Chair Early Learning & K-12 Education Committee); State Representatives Duerr, Thai; County Councilmember Balducci; 4 Mayors; 12 Kirkland, Redmond, and Sammamish Councilmembers; 1st, 41st, 45th, 48th LD, and King County Democrats.

## Kim Martin

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Education: Business Management, University of Las Vegas, NV

Occupation: Small Business Owner and Hospitality

Statement: Every child deserves access to enriching programs like art, music, and STEM. I'm running to ensure our schools secure the funding needed so every student has the opportunity to thrive. I will work to find and secure resources that support school programs, PTSA efforts, and key educational initiatives—so the burden doesn't fall solely on families to fund these essential opportunities.

My family has called Sammamish home since 2017. I'm an active community volunteer at our local church and with the PTSA. As a parent, I've guided my child through co-op, private, homeschool, outdoor school, and public education—giving me a broad, informed perspective on what students and educators need to succeed.

With over 30 years of leadership experience in the hospitality industry and as a small business owner, I know how to manage budgets, solve problems, and work with diverse teams.

I will be a collaborative leader who listens, partners with families and educators, and strengthens our schools from the inside out. I will work hard for you—and be your most transparent, accountable leader on the board. Together, we can build a future where every student is supported and set up for success. I respectfully ask for your vote.



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

## **Brian** Gaspar

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Education: Information & Technology, SJSU Occupation: Chieft Technical Officer

Statement: Mercer Island used to lead Washington schools. Now, enrollment is down 20%, student safety has been ignored, and academics are slipping while spending keeps rising. The same PTA, School Board, and District leadership call this a "good enough" district. That's not good enough for my child-or yours.

I'm a Democrat, a parent, and an educator who exposed the cover-up of a multi-child predator while current school leadership chose to hide it from the community. I've also delivered real solutions, like launching free AI classes for Mercer Island students. I serve on the Open Space Conservancy Trust and have built bridges across political lines to unite parents, educators, and community leaders around what matters most: protecting kids and preparing them for the future.

Our kids deserve a district that's safe, modern, and honest. I'm running to protect students, fix our finances, and restore excellence. I'd be honored to earn your vote.





Education: BA, Principia College; Masters of Business Administration, UCLA Anderson School of Management

Occupation: Full-time parent & volunteer; U.S. Navy veteran; former finance professional

Statement: I bring a track record of working across differences to get things done for our students. I've served as PTA Council President, Island Park PTA President, sports coach, and perennial volunteer—delivering results through collaboration. As a U.S. Navy veteran with an MBA and history of work in finance, I bring disciplined, transparent leadership when our schools need it

I've shown up for Mercer Island: leading volunteers in initiatives including dyslexia support, e-bike safety, and cell phone policy. I've built consensus across parents, educators, and administrators, and I will continue to demand excellence, safety, and belonging for all learners.

Our schools deserve steady, principled leadership rooted in service, experience, and a deep commitment to every student. I'm ready to lead with accountability, humility, and results. Proudly endorsed by Mercer Island Education Association, Deputy Mayor Dave Rosenbaum, Former Mayor Benson Wong, Former School Board Directors, and City Council Members.

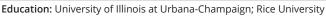




#### **Director Position No. 4**

#### Robert O'Callahan

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Occupation: Software Engineer

Statement: I'm an Al engineer, startup CTO, and science educator with two children at Island Park Elementary. I'm running for school board to ensure Mercer Island continues its tradition of academic excellence while evolving to meet the needs of every student, and to remain a place where strong academics, character, and community thrive together.

As both a parent and educator, I've seen how curriculum choices directly impact student confidence and success. We must reevaluate our approach to math and literacy using proven, evidence-based methods that foster deep understanding and prepare all students to reach their full potential. Families entrust our schools with their children's education, safety, and well-being. That trust must be earned and upheld daily. I will work to ensure our schools are safe, inclusive, and led with integrity. It's time for

accountable leadership that sets a statewide standard and builds a future



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every Mercer Island student can believe in.

Education: BS Human Factors Psychology, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University; JD, Washington & Lee University; MIHS (1998)

Occupation: Attorney specializing in complex, high-value aviation transactions and ownership

Statement: As a lifelong Mercer Island resident, MIHS graduate, and MISD parent, I care deeply about our schools' success. For more than a decade, I've volunteered in classrooms and served in PTA leadership, building strong connections across our district.

As a small business owner and practicing attorney, I bring expertise in policy analysis, budget management, consensus building, and problemsolving. I'm running for School Board to ensure our schools provide a high-quality, challenging education while prioritizing students' emotional well-being, maintain financial stability, unite diverse community voices, and support inclusive classrooms where every child can thrive.

Our district is strongest when families, teachers, and administrators work together in good faith. I will lead with transparency, responsiveness, and a long-term vision focused on students. I am proudly endorsed by the Mercer Island Education Association, former School Board Directors, and City Council Members. I respectfully ask for your vote for School Board Director, Position 4.









#### Carson Sanderson

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Engineering in Operations Research and Financial Engineering, Princeton University

**Occupation:** Northshore School District Test Proctor; President, HiCap Parents Council

**Statement:** As a biracial mother of four students with unique educational needs, I understand parents' challenges. I have spent years volunteering in schools, PTAs, and the HiCap Parents Council and teaching in Girl Scouts.

Northshore is a great school district and regional leader in education innovation, but is facing several challenges. With a new superintendent, we require a school board with deep experience and strong community connections. We must work together to balance our budget, fight for more state funding, rebuild our reserves, and maintain educational excellence supporting the needs of all learners.

It takes all of us working together to make kids and families successful. I have seen what works and what could be improved. We must better support our students' unique neurodiversities, cultural identities, and family structures to support their mental health. Students and families with different first languages need to be better assisted with translation services. I would be honored to receive your vote so I can champion these causes.

Endorsements: Northshore Education and Office Professionals; Washington Education Association; 1st LD and Snohomish County Democrats; Sen. Derek Stanford; Reps. Davina Duerr, April Berg, and Brandy Donaghy; Mayor Mason Thompson; School Board Director Dr. Jacqueline McGourty; continued on webpage.

## Arun Sharma

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**Education:** MS in Mechanical Engineering, UW Seattle; BS in Mechanical Engineering, University of Delhi, India

Occupation: Technical Fellow (Distinguished Engineer) - Boeing

**Statement:** I am an engineer, educator, community advocate, and proud parent of two Northshore graduates—both now thriving in healthcare careers. I'm running for the Northshore School Board to support the development of the whole child, including special education and highly capable programs.

I believe in strengthening our public schools through equitable funding, fair educator compensation, expanded mental health services, rigorous academics, broader access to STEAM, and college and career readiness. I will champion inclusive, safe, and supportive schools, invest in excellent teachers and staff, and make data-informed decisions that reflect our community's values.

I support responsible budgeting with clear accountability—ensuring public funds drive measurable student outcomes, including emotional and academic growth, and life readiness. I'll also work with educators and legislators across Washington to reform the outdated prototypical funding model and expand basic education to meet every student's needs.

Drawing on my unique leadership experience across private industry, higher education, nonprofit service, and lived experience, I will fulfill my commitment to advancing the development of the whole child. Endorsements: 1st LD Democrats; Senators - Derek Stanford, Manka Dhingra and John Lovick; Representatives – Shelley Kloba, April Berg, and Bandy Donaghy; Councilmembers – King County Rod Dembowski, and Snohomish County Jared Mead



## Sandy R Hayes

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**Education:** BA in Political Science, University of Washington 1991, JD, University of Washington, 1994

**Occupation:** Lawyer, currently have a restorative justice practice.

Statement: As the parent of three graduates of Northshore schools, serving on the Northshore School Board for the last sixteen years has been an incredible honor. While we have always balanced our budget, there is still work to do, including advocating for the financial resources necessary so each and every student can excel in school and the future of their choosing. I will continue to bring the voices of parents, students, and educators together to provide the critical thinking, creativity and communication skills our students will need in the second half of the 21st century and even into the 22nd. Our students need to be prepared for jobs that may not yet exist, in a world that will look dramatically different than ours.

I believe that every one of our students should know that they are contributing members of our community and that starts with talking about all of them with kindness and respect. I always have and always will put students at the center of my service.

Endorsements – Northshore Education and Office Professionals Associations, 1st and 45th District Democrats, King and Snohomish County Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus, multiple local elected officials, and many community members

## JoAnn Tolentino

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**Education:** Wenatchee Valley College, Seattle Pacific University, Music Therapy Major

**Occupation:** Retired music educator, software sales professional, passionate about advancing education.

**Statement:** I am a devoted NSD grandparent and longtime resident, driven to ensure every student reaches their potential in a financially sound system. Having worked with special needs and incarcerated youth, I bring compassion and a broad understanding of diverse student needs.

My background in Governance, Risk, and Compliance is the missing piece on the NSD board. With a \$21 million shortfall, I will prioritize fiscal accountability and audits to ensure limited funds are used effectively for student success.

Athletic fairness means girls compete with girls and boys with boys—protecting the integrity of competition and the safety of our students.

I champion your voice—empowering parents, teachers, and taxpayers to shape policies. Through transparent, community-driven decisions, we will adopt curriculum that fosters critical thinking and soft skills. We must support our great teachers and raise test scores. With nearly \$21,000 per student annually, excellence is possible. We must preserve local control of our schools and remain mindful of outside influences that may not align with community values. Growing input from mandates and interest groups can overlook local needs. Community-based decisions help ensure policies reflect our families. Parents understand their children best. Welcoming schools. Thriving students. It all starts with your vote.



## Kimberlee Kelly

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**Education:** Master's in Education, Loyola Marymount University; Teaching Credential; BA Political Science UCLA

**Occupation:** Credentialed K–12 and preschool teacher, curriculum specialist, and teacher trainer

**Statement:** As a teacher with over 15 years of experience in classrooms and a parent/advocate of an incoming Northshore student, I will bring a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities both students and families face in public schools.

I've designed *inclusive*, *rigorous* curricula and helped students close *years-wide learning gaps* across multiple subjects. Beyond my own classroom, I've led the creation of a computer science department, spearheaded mental health initiatives, trained educators nationwide on *equity-driven*, high-impact instruction, and served in leadership roles at the school and district level.

As your representative, I will champion the policies, practices, and funding that ensure Northshore students and educators succeed—from smaller class sizes and mental health supports to creating inclusive and welcoming learning environments for *all learners*. I'll tirelessly work to rebuild our financial reserves through sustainable funding, locally and at the state level. I'll work to ensure that every child has access to the exceptional resources and opportunities they need to succeed, including access to special education, arts, technology, and college and career-ready skills. I humbly ask for your vote

Endorsements: Washington Education Association (WEA), *Northshore's educator's unions* (NSEA and NEOPA), 45th District Democrats, Sen. Derek Stanford, Woodinville City Councilmember Michelle Evans

## Lynda Schram

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**Education:** BS Physics Universite de Fribourg, Switzerland, Wheaton College,

**Occupation:** past: Hewlett Packard, Motorola, Texas Instruments, Teacher. Present: Parliamentarian

**Statement:** At 71, I have been a district resident for 35 years, an active parent of 5, grandparent of 12, with multiple grandchildren in the Northshore District schools, a PTA board member, have taught and reviewed curriculum for 25 years, tutored and enjoyed all of these challenges.

Concerned with the drastic failing reading and math scores in many schools, now serious focus on *academics* and *curriculum* is vital. Reading is the door to learning. I will collaborate with the board members in finding solutions to meet the diverse needs of students today.

Our State Superintendent of Public Instruction is opposed to Parents Rights but he is in favor of allowing boys in girls' bathrooms, locker rooms and allowing boys in girls' sports. Our state is risking losing billions of dollars in federal funds by refusing to comply with the federal Title IX Rights of a half million girls. Parents in the Northshore School District have a powerful voice through their school board directors. Local boards can uphold Title IX and ensure our girls' rights are respected.

I will advocate for the *responsible allocation* of public *resources, transparency* and *accountability* to the laws and policies that support high-quality education.



## **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, Adolescent, and Adult Psychiatrist

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 and community. 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 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 am very proud of the community partnerships in our district that allow for Renton Schools students to get mental health care. I would sincerely appreciate your support so that I may persist in this work as a dedicated champion for every student in the Renton School District.

# Voting PA

#### ○ HOW DO I VOTE?



Fill in the bubble next to your choice in each contest.

#### O DO I HAVE TO USE A PEN?

You can use pen, pencil, crayon, or anything else that clearly fills in the bubble next to your choice.

#### O DO I HAVE TO VOTE ON EVERY RACE?

It's up to you which races you vote on. You can vote on one race, two races, or all races. We will count whichever votes you mark.

#### O WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MIND ' OR MADE A MISTAKE?



Make a line through the option you do not want. Then, fill in the bubble next to your correct choice.

#### O DO I HAVE TO SIGN MY BALLOT?



You must sign the outside of the return envelope for your ballot to be counted. Your signature doesn't have to be neat or legible, but it does have to match the signatures in your voter registration file.

## O HOW DO I RETURN MY BALLOT?



You can put your ballot into any USPS mailbox as long as it will be postmarked by Election Day. You can also return your ballot to one of our more than 80 ballot drop boxes around King County. We recommend mailing your ballot by the Friday before Election Day or using a drop box in the final days of the election.



## Meagan Powell

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**Education:** B.A. Social Science and Washington State Teaching Certification, Central Washington University

Occupation: Barista

**Statement:** I grew up here, and I am a graduate of the Renton School District. My experience as a student inspired me to explore a career in teaching, and my experience living in Renton inspired me to run for school board.

A key indicator of a healthy community is the well-being of its young people. The more engaged a student (and their family) are in the educational system, the better the outcomes are – not just for students and their families, but for the greater community.

I know that our school board is working to solve many complex and mounting challenges, but my concern, and the motivation for my campaign for Renton School District Director, Position 5, is the lack of transparency, the breakdown in communication, and the increasingly adversarial relationship between the school board and the community. It doesn't have to be this way.

When elected, my focus will be on supporting measures with the greatest impact on student success, ensuring district staff have the resources they need, and that the community has a voice at every meeting, influence at every deliberation, and a clear understanding of every decision that is made.

## Lindsay Jensen

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**Education:** B.S. Chemical Engineering and Chemistry, University of Wisconsin – Madison; Law Degree (J.D.), Seattle University

**Occupation:** Managing Assistant Attorney General, Washington State Attorney General's Office

**Statement:** I believe strongly in the value of public schools. Every child should have access to a high-quality education that broadens their mind, prepares them for their chosen career, and empowers them as community members in our democracy. Every child deserves the chance to succeed, and my goal is to ensure our children have access to the opportunities they need to thrive.

At my children's elementary school I've collaborated with parents and school staff to develop initiatives that enhanced the educational experience for all students. I serve on the Renton Council PTA Board engaging with the broader community, addressing district-wide issues, and advocating for policies that support student achievement and well-being. I've seen firsthand the impact of parent and community involvement in ensuring the educational success of our children.

We are in uncertain times and face unprecedented challenges. I believe we should and can meet these challenges without sacrificing our community values. Working together we'll create a supportive and resilient environment allowing our children to thrive. I'm a proud product of public schools and a parent of Renton School District students.

Endorsements: State Representatives Steve Bergquist, My-Linh Thai; 11th & 41st Legislative District Democrats, King County Democrats, King County Young Democrats



#### 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

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Statement: Public service supporting students and families is one of my core values. As I run for re-election; respect and gratitude 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. Gratitude for you; I'd personally like to thank you; the Riverview School District (RSD) community who have supported our schools and my service over the past 20 years.

Public education is important and provides opportunities for all. At RSD, our board prides itself on making sure that our decisions are made with a local lens to ensure that we keep our students and staff safe and healthy. I am honored, and proud to be part of these key decisions. Thanks to all who share and continue to share their voices with the board.



#### Director District No. 5

#### Sabrina Parnell



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Education: Bachelor of Arts, Public Relations, Gonzaga University

Occupation: Business Manager

**Statement:** As a school board director for the past 10 years and a proud resident of the Snoqualmie Valley for over 20, I've stood with families, educators, and students through some of our district's most challenging moments—from the disruption of the pandemic to the ongoing struggles of the Washington state budgetary process.

I've seen firsthand what resilience looks like. I've helped guide tough decisions, kept the focus on student success, and worked to keep our schools strong and responsive. But the hard work continues.

Now more than ever, we need steady leadership that knows our district inside and out and is ready to shape its future. I'm committed to practical fixes, honest conversations, transparent governance, and ensuring every student has access to the education they deserve. Together, we will continue to move forward. Our students deserve nothing less.



#### Melissa Johnson

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No statement submitted.

No photo submitted



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

# **Gary Fancher**



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Education: College of the Canyons; Bellevue College

Occupation: School Director; Past Program Manager Microsoft; Policy and

Procedures Manager

**Statement:** I am honored to seek another term on the SVSD school board to continue advocating for our students, families, and educators. With eight years of service, I've helped expand Special Education funding, retain our excellent staff, and ensure fiscal responsibility, saving taxpayers millions.

Our district thrives thanks to strong leadership, dedicated educators, and engaged community partners. I am committed to increasing the voice and participation of all stakeholders, parents, business leaders, and community members so that decisions reflect our collective vision. I support our new mission and vision, modernizing our aging schools, enhancing safety, and fostering innovative learning spaces.

With my children still in our schools, I value strong community partnerships. I will continue working collaboratively with families, staff, and board members to ensure every student has the resources and opportunities to succeed. I respectfully ask for your vote to keep building a future where every student can thrive.



#### Jennifer McMaster



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Education: Bachelor's in General Science at Ashford University

**Occupation:** Contract Administrator

**Statement:** I am honored to serve as School Board Director for the Tahoma School District. My family has been part of this community for 35 years, and my husband and sons are proud Tahoma graduates. I have a deep connection to the district, having served as a volunteer and a dedicated staff member for over 20 years.

Tahoma has a strong foundation, and I am committed to building on it by identifying our collective strengths and areas for improvement. I believe in working collaboratively with students, staff, and the community to find solutions that honor our history while shaping the future.

As we approach the district's 100-year anniversary and implement our new Strategic Plan, I invite you to join the conversation. I am always available to listen to your questions, celebrate our successes, and address your concerns. Thank you for your trust and your vote for Tahoma School Board, Position 1.



#### **Director District No. 2**

#### Susan Balthaser



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**Education:** Master of Science Occupational Health, University of Utah; B.S. Emergency Medicine, University of Pittsburgh

**Occupation:** Environmental, Health, and Safety Global Program Manager, Microsoft; Former EMT-Paramedic

Statement: As a parent of two Tahoma students and a longtime community volunteer, I care deeply about the well-being of our children and families. My background as a former EMT-Paramedic, youth coach, and Scout leader reflects a lifelong commitment to service and connection. I believe every child deserves access to high-quality education in a safe, inclusive environment. When students feel supported and heard, they're empowered to grow, thrive, and reach their full potential.

Serving as your current School Board Director, I've worked to ensure responsible governance, transparent budgeting, and compassionate, data-informed decisions. I'm proud to have helped pass our 5-year strategic plan—a vision shaped by community voices. I will continue working to remove barriers—from bullying to overcrowding and security concerns—so students can focus on learning, growing, and preparing for the future. Thank you for the opportunity to continue serving.

Endorsed by teachers —Tahoma Education Association (WEA-PAC)



#### Ric Lewis

No photo submitted

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Education: Brigham Young University, Computer Science

Occupation: Software Engineer

**Statement:** I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve on the school board. I regularly see firsthand the care that the educators and staff of our district demonstrate for our children.

Superintendent selection and annual evaluation is the most impactful work done by the board. I'm proud to have participated in the board's decision to place Dr. Callison as Superintendent. Her combination of thoughtfulness and rigorous standards is an excellent fit to lead our district.

This past year we've moved the district toward data-driven continuous improvement cycles to evaluate and improve student outcomes, and renewed focus on student safety. We've also overhauled our hiring practices, increasing quality and integrity. We still have work to do. There remain opportunities for growth in elementary and special ed outcomes. In partnership with the community, we're developing a long-term plan to address overcrowding. And I'm excited by upcoming opportunities to leverage Al as an educational accelerator.



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

#### Nina Rose



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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Marketing and Entrepreneurship **Occupation:** Community Volunteer, Army Veteran, Former Business

Owner

**Statement:** As a parent of two daughters in the Tahoma School District and a dedicated volunteer since 2016, I have proudly served in leadership roles including PTO President, youth sports coach, and community event organizer. These experiences have given me a strong understanding of the needs of our students, families, and educators. I am also a U.S. Army combat veteran who brings discipline, integrity, and a deep commitment to service.

I am running for school board to ensure every student feels safe, supported, and inspired to thrive. I will prioritize student achievement, advocate for educator support, and promote transparent, collaborative leadership. I believe in equity in education—ensuring each student has access to the resources and opportunities they need to succeed.

With your vote, I will bring balanced leadership, real-world experience, and a heart for service to the board. Let us work together to create a strong future for all Tahoma students.

#### Kristi Krumperman



Education: Bachelor's: Political Science and History; Master's: Teaching Occupation: Studio Manager and Preschool Director at Ash and Elm Statement: My name is Kristi Krumperman, and I am a dedicated educator and manager of a small business specializing in early childhood education. Nearly a decade ago, my family chose Maple Valley for its exceptional schools. Today, two of my three children attend schools in our district, deepening my commitment to this community.

With experience in both the classroom and business management, I bring a well-rounded perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing our schools. I am passionate about transparency in decision-making, student safety, progressive education, and strong school-community partnerships.

Every child deserves a safe, supportive, and future-focused learning environment. As a school board member, I will advocate for thoughtful policies and work collaboratively with parents, educators, and the community to promote continued excellence in our schools.



#### Zach Butala

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Quantitative Economics, U.S. Naval Academy

**Occupation:** Commercial Airline Captain, Navy Reserve Commander (not a DoD endorsement)

**Statement:** As a father of three Tahoma students and long-time MV resident, I care deeply about our schools and community. I've been honored as CRES' Volunteer-of-the-Year two years in a row, and I'm entering my 3rd year as STMS' Family Support Partner.

As a prior Navy Reserve Commanding Officer, I've led teams through complex challenges by listening, building trust, and working together. That is the steady, collaborative, service-oriented approach I will bring to the board. I want to unite our community around our shared commitment to students and teachers, no matter our differences.

I'm not seeking political party endorsements, but I am seeking support from all of Tahoma. I believe schools should unite us. With greater transparency, teamwork, and respect, we can face every challenge/ opportunity and keep making Tahoma better. I am ready to listen, learn, and serve with humility and purpose, for Tahoma. Endorsements: Washington Education Association; Tahoma Education Association

#### Elizabeth (Liz) Karkoski-Gardner

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Education: Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Lewis-Clark State College. Doctorate of Nursing Practice, University of Washington

Occupation: Cardiovascular Intensive Care Nurse Practitioner

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Statement: As TES PTO President, opportunities to work closely with district leaders have made me aware of current issues, be informed of budget related changes, and have better understanding of the vision moving forward. Tahoma students deserve the opportunity to achieve their highest academic success without sacrificing their social/emotional well-being. They should feel safe to go to school being their authentic self without ridicule and be mentored by teachers and staff who equally feel valued in their work. Building strong trusting relationships ensures the success of our district and community.

As District 5 School Board Director I vow to advocate for every student, teacher, and family, ensure fiscal responsibility to our community-members, be present in my duties, and to always listen with an open mind. I am proudly endorsed by the 5th LD Democrats, King County Democrats, and The National Women's Political Caucus.













# Special Purpose Districts are **Extra Special**

Every election, voters get to make their voices heard about who they'd like to represent them at different levels of government. Local elections provide voters the chance to choose who will represent them in local government, from county and city councilmembers, to mayors.

Special Purpose Districts are particularly special parts of our local government. These districts take care of specific tasks for our communities, from parks to power. When voters choose representatives for their Special Purpose Districts, they are influencing their communities in crucial ways.



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**Occupation:** President and director of a small woman owned distribution business

**Statement:** It would be an honor to serve our community, and to provide leadership and direction in the capacity of Fire Commissioner.

I have lived in the Issaquah area for over 35 years. My husband and I have raised our two children here. The eastside is a special place, and we are fortunate to live here, surrounded by the natural beauty.

As president and director of a successful composite distribution business, I understand the importance of providing reliable service, fiscal responsibility, and maintaining operational readiness. My work experience includes creating and supervising budgets, overseeing staff, coordinating multifaceted business operations, and maintaining open communication. As your Fire Commissioner I commit to maintaining the excellent service Fire District 10 provides, and continue to ensure compliance, and safeguarding public resources. It would be a privilege to represent our community. I respectfully ask for and appreciate the consideration of your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Toni Nielsen



**Education:** Associate Degree in Business Management, AA Marketing, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Fire Commissioner 2024- Present, Rideshare Operator, Small Business Owner

**Statement:** It has been my pleasure to serve the residents of Fire District 10 since my appointment in April of 2024. I am running to fill the remaining 5 years of this term.

I am a Seattle Native & have spent the last 40 years on my farm In Issaquah. I am a mom of 3 grown sons and a grandmother of 4 active little boys. I care about family. I volunteer with a local wildlife rescue, bottle-feeding rescued orphaned small furry forest creatures or tramping through underbrush to retrieve an injured porcupine or pull a mayonnaise jar off the head of a skunk.

As a small business owner, I have strong ties to our community and look forward to interacting with those around me. I am honored to ask for your vote.





#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### Michael Dowling

No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



No photo submitted

No statement submitted.



#### Josh Pratt



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**Education:** M.Ed. Seattle Pacific University **Occupation:** EMS Captain, Kirkland Fire

**Statement:** Citizens of Kenmore and Lake Forest Park, I am asking for your support. I am a 22 year resident of Kenmore, where my wife and I are raising our three children. I have spent my entire adult working life as a public servant. For the past 20 years I have served as a City of Kirkland firefighter and before that eight years as a Northshore School District teacher at Inglemoor High School.

As a firefighter I am uniquely situated to recognize the needs of a growing department in transition, and to help steward the Shoreline Fire RFA during this period of growth. As a Commissioner, I look forward to continuing the excellent level of service you have come to expect from dedicated, professional personnel while expanding the services offered thereby improving the safety of our community.

Thank you for your trust and your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### Rick Webster



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**Education:** Bachelor's in Construction Management, University of

Washington

Occupation: Retired Construction Professional

**Statement:** Currently serving as KC Fire District 16 Commissioner since 2019.

I have been a Kenmore resident 40 years. I retired after 45 years of commercial construction in the Puget Sound area. I have served as a volunteer coach in both softball and basketball for many years. I have been participating in a number of projects providing low income housing. I believe in giving back to our community.

My Background in the building industry has given me an extensive training in human relations and innovative problem solving, while keeping an eye on the bottom line. I will use my years of experience working to promote fiscal responsibility while looking to enhance the level of service in our district



#### Andy Adolfson



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**Education:** Bellevue Community College, Fire Command and Administration; University of Washington School of Medicine Paramedic Certification

Occupation: District 25 Commissioner (appointed July 2025); retired firefighter (38 years)

**Statement:** In reading this statement, I truly appreciate your time and effort in making your voting decisions; I hope that I will earn your vote.

My background includes over 44 years in the fire service, beginning as a volunteer in 1981 and becoming a full-time firefighter in 1985. 35 years of my career were with the Bellevue Fire Department, where I advanced through the ranks and retired as the Deputy Chief of Operations in September 2023.

Earlier this year I accepted an invitation to fill a Commissioners Board vacancy and now I am seeking to extend my service to the community through the election process. My experience in fire service will complement that of your other Fire Commissioners who contribute their own critical expertise. I will strive to be approachable, open-minded and fiscally responsible while seeking the highest service level for you and your family. Thank you for your consideration.

# King County Fire Protection District No. 27



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Kristopher Belfield



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**Education:** Port Angeles High School, Peninsula College, Industry/Technical Certifications

Occupation: Sales Director - Microsoft, Former Volunteer FF/EMT/SRT FCFD Statement: I would be honored to continue to serve as one of your Fall City Fire Commissioners. I proudly served as a volunteer firefighter from 2017 through 2021. In 2022, I was honored to be selected and appointed as a commissioner.

Serving as a volunteer firefighter provided me with invaluable insights into the needs of our department and the challenges our firefighters face daily. I learned that one of the best ways we can keep our community safe is to support the needs of our first responders. I believe we can balance the needs of the department while safeguarding the financial well-being of our community. I will foster open communication and collaboration with our residents, firefighters, and administration alike. Together, we can ensure that our community has the best emergency services available, supported by a financially responsible approach. I respectfully ask for your support to continue to serve this great community.

# District No. 34



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Thomas C Johnston



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Education: B.S. Physics, University of Washington Occupation: Project Engineer, Systems Interface, Inc.

Statement: It has been my privilege to represent you on the Fire Commission for the past 26 years.

The purpose of the Commission is to oversee the operation of Fire and Emergency Medical Services to the community we serve. It has always been my priority to provide the best possible service while being sensitive to the associated costs.

We are all aware of the increasingly high cost of living in this area, and property taxes are a significant portion of this. The Commission has strived to maintain stable, consistent funding of this vital service while constantly looking for ways to be more efficient and effective. I would appreciate your vote and support so that I may continue to help lead this essential public service. Thank You!

#### **King County Fire Protection** District No. 43



#### Commissioner Position No. 1

#### Mark D. Mulich



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Education: BS SUNY-Brockport, MBA Xavier University, MS Western **Governors University** 

Occupation: Systems Analyst, Costco Wholesale, Inc

Statement: I bring a unique combination of business and emergency services experience to this position. Professionally, I have spent more than 35 years in the information technology industry, supporting a wide range of business functions. In addition to my business background, I served as a volunteer firefighter for 12 years and as an EMT/Paramedic for 15 years. This blend of experience gives me a well-rounded and practical understanding of the fire district's needs.

I have lived in Westen Washington for the past nine years and have been a resident of Maple Valley and its fire district for the last six years. In June 2024, I was appointed to the Fire Commissioner's Board to fill a vacated position following two years of active attendance at board meetings as a community member.

I am more than willing to speak with any district residents. You can reach me at the following email address MMulich@MapleValleyFire.org

#### Leslie Hamada



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Education: Eastern Washington University University of Washington Evergreen State College Leadership Certificate WSSDA

**Occupation:** Emergency Assistance Coordinator Kent United Methodist Church

**Statement:** I am running to be the voice for the staff and constituents in the Maple Valley Fire District # 43 from Hobart, Ravensdale to Maple Valley, Covington. I have received help from these paramedics. When you feel your worst and are in need of help, they show up. I would keep the services coming at a high level in fire and emergency needs. Managing large budgets which I have done in past professional work will keep the department response times down and your insurance rates low. Your commissioner needs to be ready to speak up for your needs and if necessary, testify in Olympia. A year ago, I headed up the KSD Levy which was in grave need of passing. After two failed attempts, it passed. I have served my community in various capacities for many years. I have been honored with Honorary Citizen of the Year of Covington



#### Russell Calcote



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Education: Bachelor's of Science in Biology, University of Washington

Occupation: Firefighter

Statement: My fellow neighbors,

I have been proud to serve you as one of your fire commissioners for the last four years and will appreciate your support in continuing to serve. I have been a member of the Maple Valley community since 2013 when I first began as a volunteer firefighter/EMT with the legacy Maple Valley Fire department, and now as a resident of this great community.

I believe very much in ensuring our department meets our current and future needs while staying fiscally responsible. The landscape of our community is ever changing and I will work to see that the department keeps pace with that change. Thank you for your consideration, I hope I can count on your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 5

#### Craig Hooper



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Education: Bachelor of Arts, Bus. Admin. - WSU. AA in Fire

Administration

Occupation: Retired Firefighter

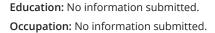
Statement: I am running for re-election for King Co. Fire Dist. 43. As a current Commissioner for D43 for the past 7 yrs, I have been involved in the decision making processes that have enabled our communities to have safe, effective and efficient fire service for the citizens of the Maple Valley area, all at a reasonable cost. We made the decision to contract with Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority years ago and that has allowed us to upgrade our equipment and facilities to provide better service to our community and our fire personnel. I will continue to be a good steward of our funding and make decisions that benefit our service and safety.

I look forward to continue my service as a Commissioner for KC Fire District 43 and ask for your support.



#### Brian Robertson

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**Statement:** Our community's safety is my highest priority. I have served KCFD 45 for over 14 years, I understand the critical role our fire district plays in protecting lives and property.

As Fire Commissioner, I will ensure resources are used efficiently and responsibly; support our firefighters with the training, equipment, and staffing they need; keep response times fast and reliable; promote transparency and open communication with the public.

In January, KCFD 45 began a contract for service with Eastside Fire & Rescue. I will do my best to represent the residents of the district. I believe in strong fiscal stewardship and public trust. Together, we can maintain a fire service that is both responsive and accountable to the people it serves. I'd be honored to earn your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Michael Beard



**Education:** Bachelors of Science, United States Naval Academy,

Masters of Arts, Gonzaga University

Occupation: Lieutenant, Bellevue Fire Department.

**Statement:** It has been a privilege to serve as Commissioner for six years. Our department has undergone significant changes to pace our growing community, and I am proud to have influenced these decisions.

I was born here and graduated from Cedarcrest in 94. After time in the Navy, I returned home in 2014 to provide my children the opportunity of growing up here.

I am hoping to use my skills, and experience to guide this organization. I will also recognize the history and legacy of this great fire department that we all rely on to keep us safe. I am asking for your consideration to continue to influence our District, and ensure the sucess of our long-term partnership with East Side Fire and Rescue, and renewal of the Benefit Service Charge to fund our District. I want to thank you for your support in both efforts.



#### Doug Halbert

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**Education:** No information submitted. **Occupation:** Deputy Fire Chief

Statement: As one of your current Fire Commissioners, I bring decades of experience in fire service leadership and a deep commitment to serving our community with integrity, accountability, and transparency. My professional background includes over 37 years in the fire service, where I rose through the ranks from firefighter to Deputy Chief, gaining firsthand knowledge of operations, training, budgeting, and emergency management. This experience has equipped me to make informed decisions that balance public safety, fiscal responsibility, and long-term planning.

Throughout my first term, I have prioritized open and transparent governance, ensuring that the voices of residents and department personnel are heard and respected. I believe in thoughtful, collaborative decision-making and have worked diligently to maintain public trust through clear communication and responsive representation. In this next term I remain committed to advocating for a fire service that is modern, well-resourced, and accountable to those it serves.



#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### Dominik Faunce



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Education: BA in Political Science and German; MPA, Emergency

Management — both from UNC Charlotte

Occupation: Civil servant

Statement: I am running to bring my emergency management background to Woodinville Fire & Rescue and help make our community more resilient. I hold a Master of Public Administration in Emergency Management, FEMA certifications, and have six years of government experience at the federal, state, and local levels. I served in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the Biden administration, where I worked across agencies to strengthen accountability and public transparency. I will work to involve more residents in emergency preparedness, support our firefighters and staff in their right to organize, and help improve coordination with cities, nearby fire districts, King County, and the State of Washington to keep our communities safe.

Endorsements include King County Democrats, 1st Legislative District Democrats, Representatives Shelley Kloba and Davina Duerr, King County Young Democrats, and Woodinville Deputy Mayor James Randolph.

#### Ryan Blakemore





**Education:** Graduated Woodinville High School; attended Central Washington University for four years pursuing higher education studies. **Occupation:** Owner and operator of a small, local, family-owned business.

**Statement:** Woodinville is my hometown. I grew up here, and now I'm raising my own family in the same community I love. I am running for the Fire & Rescue Commissioner board to ensure our district remains well-prepared, well-staffed, and responsive to the growing needs of our neighborhoods.

With a background in small business leadership, I bring fiscal responsibility, strategic planning, and a strong commitment to public safety. My priority is to support our firefighters and emergency personnel with the resources, training, and equipment they need, while maintaining transparency and accountability to the taxpayers we serve.

I believe in smart growth, strong collaboration with neighboring districts, and proactive emergency planning to address challenges like wildfire risk and population growth. Woodinville deserves leadership that listens, plans ahead, and puts community safety first—and I am committed to providing that leadership.



# Peter Zevenbergen

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Education: University of Washington, BA, Foster School of Business
Occupation: Mortgage Advisor and Branch Leader

**Statement:** Since my appointment to Position #1, I have been committed to serving you, the ratepayer. My focus is on providing clean water, a safe and reliable sewer system, and maintaining a long-term vision for our community's health and safety. I prioritize responsible, cost-effective management of our utilities to earn your trust and protect our environment.

Over the past year of service to you, I have learned that our utility district's role goes beyond water—it's crucial for fire safety, emergency response, and sanitation. Planning for decades ahead is essential to accommodate growth and ensure ongoing infrastructure maintenance. I am dedicated to thoughtful, forward-looking leadership to meet our community's needs today and into the future.



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Suzi O'Byrne

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Education: BA English - University of Washington

Occupation: Retired 911 Communications Supervisor - Police - Fire - EMS Statement: Please re-elect me as your representative on the CCUD Board of Commissioners!

I am strongly committed to water quality compliance, resource development and reliable services at the lowest possible cost for you! Comprehensive infrastructure maintenance and an attitude of positive public service are qualities expected from CCUD. I am committed to meeting and exceeding those expectations on behalf of district ratepayers.

As a Puget Sound native and residing for 50+ years in Newcastle, I started volunteering as a Newcastle Parks Commissioner (2007 - 2011). I've been volunteering for the Cities of Newcastle and Bellevue for over 18 years. My 30+ years of experience as a 911 Supervisor, reiterated the importance of a dependable water supply for all! I welcome the continued responsibility of keeping our rates low and infrastructure quality high while simultaneously meeting the environmental needs and the demands of population growth and development in our district!



#### Kim William Lane

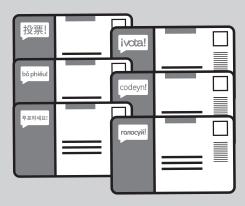
(425) 765-2852 lanekim841@gmail.com



Education: Bachelor of Science, Masters Business Administration, P.E. Occupation: Retired – Engineer, Project & Construction Manager

**Statement:** As a commissioner, my job is to represent the rate payer / customer in the management of the Coal Creek Utility District. Regardless of how well a utility is managed, it is important that the customer is represented regarding the finances and operations of the organization. Since taking the position of commissioner a year ago, this has been my primary focus on every decision.

I have lived in Newcastle for over thirty years, have raised a family and enjoyed the unique rewards this area offers, and have been and still am a customer of Coal Creek Utility District. A past background in engineering and management within a regulated utility gives me the experience to understand factors that affect decisions that must be made. Coal Creek Utility District works hard to keep your water safe and your rates as low as possible, and the commissioners help ensure that this continues.



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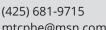
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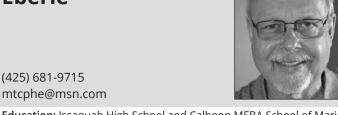
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#### Pete **Eberle**





Education: Issaguah High School and Calhoon MEBA School of Marine Engineering

Occupation: Marine Chief Engineer aboard State of Alaska Passenger **Ferries** 

**Statement:** I have been a resident of unincorporated King County within the service area of Water District 90 for 66 years. I have watched the community grow over the years and am very aware of the challenges that face our community. I have worked with several community groups that promote Community engagement with local governments and service providers.

I was first elected to King County Water District–90 Board of Directors in 2019 and have completed my first 6 year term. I look at our board as a team that works with management to give our customers the best service for the current rates charged. I also believe in keeping our systems and infrastructure in the best condition possible to provide resilience and reliable service. We have a duty to our community to lead these efforts. Of course we couldn't do all of this without public support.

#### **King County Water** District No. 117



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Patrick C **Stanton**



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Education: B.S. Civil Engineering, M.S. Environmental Engineering, **MBA** 

Occupation: Consultant

Statement: As a candidate for Water Commissioner, I bring a steadfast commitment to protecting our most vital resource—water. With a practical understanding of infrastructure and a passion for responsible stewardship, I aim to ensure clean, safe, and accessible water for all. My approach blends long-term vision with transparency and community engagement, prioritizing conservation, sustainability, and efficiency. I believe in listening to residents, collaborating with neighbors, and investing in technologies that secure our future. I'm ready to serve with integrity, uphold environmental responsibility, and keep our water systems resilient and reliable.



#### Marenah Ryan



**Education:** Pursuing Bachelor's in Data Analytics, Bellevue College; Bachelor's in Exercise Science, University of Tennessee

Occupation: Administrator, King County Water District 123

Statement: I have proudly served with our local water district for over a year, gaining hands-on experience with the daily operations and long-term planning that keep our water system running smoothly. I'm committed to ensuring reliable, safe, and affordable water services for our community. This is our community, our water, and our future. I'd be honored to keep serving our community.

#### Woodinville Water District



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Aleksandra Kachakov



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**Education:** Master of Business Administration (MBA), Cleveland State University; Master of Arts, Veliko Tarnovo University.

Occupation: Sr. Consultant, Slalom

Statement: I have over 20 years of experience in developing, managing, and consulting wide range of organizations. I have served the City of Bellevue Water Utilities by leading the administrative, customer service, and corporate strategy teams. I am highly experienced in solving complex problems, enhancing services, supporting customers, improving investments, and building public trust.

I would be honored to continue serving as your Woodinville Water District Commissioner so I can give back to my community in a meaningful way. Delivering safe and reliable water and sewer services is essential to public health and quality of life. Providing these vital services requires responsible, effective, and efficient management of infrastructure, customer expectations, and regional partnerships.

With my background in water utility management and business consulting, I will bring a valuable and diverse perspective to the Board of Commissioners and support the District in achieving its mission. I humbly ask for your vote.

# Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Ryika Hooshangi



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Education: Catholic University of America, JD; George Washington

University, BA

Occupation: Attorney

Statement: As a longtime Sammamish resident and your current Commissioner, I am committed to ensuring safe, reliable, and affordable water and sewer service for the community. With my extensive background in public policy and law, I bring the expertise needed to tackle challenges so the District remains a regional leader in providing high-quality water and sewer services.

I will continue to prioritize fiscal and environmental stewardship as challenges arise, such as responsible water management, regional growth, and maintaining safe drinking water by protecting our water supply from contaminants and investing in modern treatment technologies that meet the highest standards.

It has been a pleasure to serve our community, and I look forward to continuing to focus on water quality while fostering transparency and community engagement with our residents. Together, we will work to build a resilient and environmentally sustainable future and preserve our precious natural resources for future generations to come.

# Northeast Sammamish Sewer and Water District



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Wayne DeMeester



(425) 868-1144

**Education:** Masters in Business Administration **Occupation:** Registered Investment Advisor

Statement: I am honored to serve as your water district commissioner. It is my first priority to provide safe, reliable drinking water. Our independent water district has been providing pure, award-winning water since 1969 at one of the lowest costs in Western Washington. The water district pumps water from underground aquifers to serve over 10,000 people on the north end of Sammamish. This pure water flows from 5 wells, untouched by chemicals, to you. It is my goal to protect and preserve this great resource for our users. Thanks for your vote!



#### Pat Sutherland



Education: Graduated Inglemoor High 1977,

Occupation: Northshore Utility District - 07/01/1993 - 07/01/2025

Statement: With 32 years experience at Northshore Utility District, I've dedicated my career to enhancing our community's essential services. In Operations, I streamlined procedures to boost efficiency and communication. In Engineering, I modernized the permitting process, saving the district money and improving service delivery. In Information Technology, I contributed to upgrading our server infrastructure and overhauling network systems, enhancing performance and security. I'm committed to maintaining fair rates, promoting transparency, and making thoughtful, forward-looking decisions that benefit all of us. My hands-on experience has equipped me with insights into what's working well and how we can strengthen our systems for the future. I'm prepared to bring a practical, informed, and community-first perspective to the board.

Together, we can build upon Northshore's strong foundation to ensure a reliable and sustainable future for generations to come. I would be honored to have your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 5

# **Brent Smith**



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Education: BA, Economics, University of Washington

Occupation: Licensed Real Estate Agent and Licensed Real Estate

**Appraiser** 

**Statement:** As your Northshore Utility District Commissioner my priorities will be focused on clean, low-cost water and safe sewer systems, strong fiscal management of our ratepayers funds, and responsible stewardship of the district's facilities.

I am up to the task of building upon the district successes while continuing to improve upon financial and organizational efficiencies as well as district-wide disaster preparedness. With eight years as an elected Kenmore council member, over 25 years as a business owner, and 30 years of community service commitments, I have demonstrated my ability to work effectively with budget and policy makers in our community.

I am committed to working hard for the Northshore Utility District ratepayers, and I would love to have your vote. My wife and I have lived in the district for 38 years.



#### Commissioner District No. 3

#### Rita J. Miller

No photo submitted

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**Education:** Master's Degree in Nursing; PhD in Education **Occupation:** Medical Librarian; Nurse Educator (retired)

Statement: My name is Rita J. Miller and I am seeking re-election to the position of Commissioner, Districct No 3. at Public Hospital District No. 1. I was elected to this position two years ago to fill a vacancy. My lifetime experience has prepared me for this role as I have a very strong medical background having been a nurse and nurse educator for many years. After obtaining a Master's Degree in Nursing, I taught nursing at two different Schools of Nursing. While in this role, I obtained a PhD in Education and continued to be a nurse educator. Being in the Hospital setting for many years, I learned the intricate details of how a hospital is run and what conflicts hospitals deal with. Currently, Public Hospital District No. 1 is dealing with financial cuts from the government making it difficult to offer services that it has provided in the past. As a current Commissioner, I am involved in the discussions and planning that deal with this sudden, unexpected financial deficit.

My hope in being re-elected to this position is to continue the work we are doing in order to offer the best medical care to our community. It is my belief that all persons in the community deserve the care they need and are entitled to. My goal is to contribute to the health and well-being of our community that everyone deserves. Humbly, I ask for your vote.



#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### Rick Polintan



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Education: University of the Philippines, AB Economics

**Occupation:** Commissioner, Hospital District No. 1; VP, Filipino Community of Seattle

Statement: Our community deserves exceptional healthcare, and Valley Medical Center must remain a place where everyone receives quality care-regardless of income or background. As we face projected federal Medicaid cuts and ongoing challenges in private insurance, it's critical that we have strong leadership to protect and strengthen our hospital.

As your current Commissioner, I've worked hard to ensure Valley Medical Center stays financially strong and that our staff are respected, supported, and fairly treated. With my background as a union organizer and community leader, I bring a commitment to fairness, accountability, and putting people first.

My family has lived in this district since 1992, and we have relied on Valley Medical Center for our own emergency healthcare. I know how vital this hospital is to our community.

If re-elected, I will: Champion patient-centered care and access for all, especially our most vulnerable neighbors; Uphold transparency and fiscal responsibility for long-term stability; for fair treatment and support for hospital staff-because quality care starts with those who provide it.

I am honored to have earned the trust and endorsement of respected organizations, including King County Democrats, AP ACE PAC, and SEIU 1199NW.

Together, we can build a hospital that is responsive, resilient, and ready to meet the needs of everyone in our community. I respectfully ask for your vote for Commissioner Position No. 4- so we can continue this important work, together.



#### Carol Barber

No photo submitted

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Education: BA art from CWU, MS counseling psychology CWU

Occupation: Marriage and Family Therapist retired

Statement: It has been my pleasure to serve as commissioner to Valley Medical Center for the last 6 years. There have been numerous challenges. We had a pandemic and a lockdown. As we crawled out of that we had to evaluate our strategic alliance with the University of Washington. Sadly it was our decision that ths was not working for us. Looking forward to the next six years, we will completely unwind with the UW. We will be seeking another potential alliance. We will deal with any new issues that arise. As the most senior commissioner, I look forward to these challenges.

Thank you.

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#### Commissioner District No. 1

#### Nancy J Stewart





**Education:** Masters in Organizational Leadership, Gonzaga University; Bachelors in Hospital Administration, Eastern Washington University

**Occupation:** Former Healthcare Executive, Patient Advocate, and Community Volunteer

Statement: Good health is an essential ingredient in living our most active, abundant lives. Having quality based, compassionate care within our community is the best possible partner to achieve that health. As a five-star Medicare/Medicaid designated hospital, Leapfrog A rating, and top 50 Hospital in the United States, I believe EvergreenHealth to be our exceptional partner. I first came to know of this exceptional care as a patient.

Because of the life-changing care I received at EvergreenHealth I have actively been a part of the organization as an employee, then leader since 2012. I worked my way up to the role of Executive Director of Hospital and Specialty Medicine where I partnered with physicians, leaders, clinicians, and support staff to expand and improve the delivery of care both inpatient and outpatient. After leaving EvergreenHealth in June of 2023 I had the honor of being appointed to the Board of Commissioners in August of 2023. It is a privilege to serve with my fellow commissioners to represent the community we

I am rooted in a patient first mindset; understanding the value of compassionate, quality care delivered by teams we can trust. And as a healthcare leader I understand the barriers our hospital administrators and teams face to deliver that care. In an everchanging industry we must always be quality, patient first healthcare with a commitment to growth and fiscal responsibility, adapting to meet the needs within our community. Together we strive to make those strategic decisions to continue to improve the quality of the care we deliver.

I ask for your vote to continue to serve in this role, always with the commitment of your care at the center of each decision we make.



#### Commissioner District No. 2

#### Suzanne Greathouse



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**Education:** Bachelor's in Education, University of WA; Master's in Technical Communication, Western WA University

**Occupation:** Co-Founder/Owner of REPS VR - Virtual Reality Training Platform

**Statement:** I am honored to currently serve on the EvergreenHealth Board of Commissioners, having been appointed on September 17, 2024. I'm running to continue providing steady, experienced leadership to this vital institution that serves the health needs of our growing community.

My background includes nearly 20 years in the private sector leading large teams and complex initiatives, along with years of local public service. I've served on the Kenmore Planning Commission, the Northshore Utility District Board of Commissioners, and the Northshore Senior Center Board of Directors. I am currently the co-founder and CEO of a virtual reality software training company, and bring the perspective of a small business owner, committed to accountability, innovation, and service.

At EvergreenHealth, I will continue working to ensure high-quality care, expand access, and make smart, sustainable decisions. I believe we must embrace innovation to remain at the forefront of healthcare—leveraging technology and evidence-based practices to improve patient outcomes and keep care affordable.

Supporting our hospital staff is a top priority - they are the backbone of EvergreenHealth. I will champion investments in training, staffing, and workplace support to help them thrive and continue delivering exceptional care.

Financial sustainability is also critical. As our community grows, EvergreenHealth must remain strong, efficient, and responsive to changing needs. I will work to ensure thoughtful, responsible stewardship of public resources.

Finally, I believe our healthcare system should reflect the people it serves. I will be an active listener, engage with residents and leaders, and work to ensure EvergreenHealth remains a trusted, community-driven partner in health. I respectfully ask for your vote so I can continue serving with dedication, experience, and a clear vision for the future of EvergreenHealth.



#### **Gary Harris**

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

Occupation: Pharmacist (retired), Hideaway Lodge B&B owner/innkeeper

Statement: I have lived in the EvergreenHealth Kirkland service area for 50 years and am a business owner in Woodinville. I have been PTA President and a Golden Acorn recipient. I have 30 years of pharmacy experience in hospital and clinical settings. As a Certified Diabetes Educator, I helped develop the first interdisciplinary patient diabetes education program in Washington State, and have helped standardize protocols for diabetes medications. I served on the state Pharmacy Commission for eleven years, and was principle author of laws insuring a woman's right to choose, and a law requiring state documentation of all controlled substance medications. I was honored to receive the Excellence in Pharmacy Practice Award from the School of Pharmacy.

I served as co-chair for UW's Be Boundless fund development campaign, helping to bring in \$50 million for the School of Pharmacy. I served on the Woodinville City Council for four years and am the immediate past mayor. I have been serving as an EvergreenHealth Community Advisor since 2021 and have enjoyed contributing to this great community asset.

My years of experience in direct patient care, program management, fiscal oversight, and community service make me uniquely qualified to serve as an EvergreenHealth Commissioner . I'll work for you for the best patient experience every time. I will make sure that your tax dollars coming to EvergreenHealth are used effectively to secure and retain the best staff, to support the most innovative diagnoses and treatment protocols, and to keep health care affordable. I would be honored to have your vote.

#### Robin Campbell

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**Education:** BA Zoology, UNC Chapel Hill; PhD Microbiology & Immunology, Wake Forest University School of Medicine

**Occupation:** Incumbent Commissioner, EvergreenHealth; Biotechnology Executive (retired)

Statement: I believe everyone deserves access to exceptional medical care. In 2024, I was honored to be appointed to the Board of Commissioners for King County Public Hospital District #2 (EvergreenHealth), serving Bothell, Duvall, Kenmore, Kirkland, Redmond, Sammamish, and Woodinville. I'm now seeking election to a full term.

As a former EvergreenHealth Community Advisor, and with a lifelong career in healthcare and life sciences, I'm committed to expanding access, improving outcomes, and strengthening our community hospital. During my tenure, I've focused on financial stewardship and expanding vital services. My top priorities include expanding access to primary care and behavioral health services while ensuring effective use of hospital resources. I bring 25 years of experience on public and private boards and currently serve on the Finance, Governance, Quality & Safety, and Levy Committees. I've also earned the Health Care Governance Certification from the Washington State Hospital Association.

We can be proud that EvergreenHealth is one of the Top 50 hospitals in the nation, a testament to our dedicated staff and supportive community. I will continue supporting policies that promote a culture of compassion, innovation, and service while sustaining our excellence in delivery of care.

I am endorsed by the following: Mayors Kelli Curtis (Kirkland), Nigel Herbig (Kenmore), and Mike Millman (Woodinville), State Representatives Amy Walen (LD 48) and Davina Duerr (LD 1), and by all sitting Commissioners of EvergreenHealth.

It would be an honor to earn your vote. Together, we can preserve and strengthen the high-quality care our community expects and deserves.



#### Mark L. Bowers

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**Education:** University of Washington Physician Assistant, Masters Physician Assistant University of Nebraska

Occupation: Physician Assistant King County hospitals, Naval Medical Officer (Ret)

Statement: Access to local, affordable, preventive healthcare concerns members of our community and Snoqualmie Valley Hospital can respond to the challenge. Evolving demographics will require more access to women's health, mental health, pediatrics, occupational/sports medicine, and senior services. It's currently too far to travel for these services. There are many challenges ahead requiring seasoned leadership, experience, and vision.

I bring 40 years of experience as a healthcare provider credentialed at Fred Hutchinson, Virginia Mason, Valley, Boeing, Overlake, Proliance, and Veteran's hospitals. I've led medical relief missions to Haiti and Uganda. Having been a gymnastics coach, hiker, and skier, I understand the need for sports medicine. Service on Issaquah Policy Planning and Development commissions also prepared me for this next step.

Throughout my career, compassionate healthcare has been my driving force. I appreciate the strong support of valley voters and respectfully seek your vote and continued support. Quality, best outcomes, sustainability!

#### Robert Angrisano



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**Education:** University of Oregon, Business Administration, Numerous Medical Credentials

**Occupation:** EMT and EKG Technician, Swedish Hospital; EMT Snoqualmie Fire Department

**Statement:** I'm running for the Snoqualmie Valley Hospital Board because I care deeply about the health of our community and believe we must expand access to quality care for everyone.

I currently serve on the Hospital's Finance Committee, where I review key financial information monthly to help ensure transparency, accountability, and strong fiscal management. I have a firsthand insight into the challenges our hospital faces—and the steps we can take to improve services and outcomes.

For over 35 years, I've been serving as a Firefighter/EMT. I advocate for and support our aging population and those with intellectual, developmental, and physical challenges. I also work with our valley youth, creating and delivering programs focused on deadly substances like fentanyl. Professionally, I've worked for over 30 years in business executive roles and served 17 years as a Fire Commissioner. My medical, business, and public leadership, give me a unique and balanced perspective.



#### Commissioner Position No. 4

#### Jen Carter



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**Education:** University of Chicago, Bachelor's Degree **Occupation:** Healthcare Information Technology Professional

Statement: Since 2019, I've been honored to serve as a commissioner for our community hospital, Snoqualmie Valley Health. Together, we've navigated pivotal moments; supporting our COVID-19 response, launching new services, and planning for the future of our growing Valley. You may have seen me at drive-through vaccine clinics or welcoming neighbors at first-aid tents during community events.

I supported opening our urgent care clinic and championed development of the new North Bend Clinic, the hospital Hub expansion, and the Valley's first mammography machine.

With over 20 years in healthcare IT, I've helped hospitals nationwide improve care through innovation. Here at home, I encouraged our transition to a state-of-the-art electronic health record, improving quality, safety, and access for our patients. It has been my privilege to serve, and I would be grateful for your vote so we can continue building exceptional care close to home.



#### Perry Wilkins

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Education: Bachelors in biology

Occupation: Life science technical specialist

Statement: I've been a Parks commissioner since the formation of the parks District. This is a nonpaid position that I take very seriously. I'm very active in the community, always with the thoughts of more and better parks for Fall City. I have worked very hard for a long time to get Bernard Park, behind The Roadhouse, donated to the Fall City Park district. We are in the process of finishing this up and it will be open to the public soon. If you decide to elect me, I will continue on this path to make more and better Parks and Fall City.





#### Commissioner Position No. 5

#### Travis Klaas



**Education:** Bachelor's in Geology, Western Washinton University; Master's in Teaching, Western Washinton University

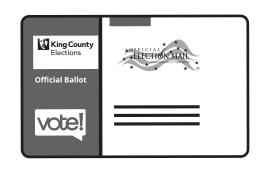
Occupation: Hydrogeologist

Statement: I'm excited for the opportunity to serve the Fall City Parks District. Our parks are more than green spaces, they are gathering places where friendships form, neighbors connect, and a sense of belonging grows. These connections are what make Fall City a close-knit and wonderful place to live. I am passionate about enhancing opportunities for community gatherings, supporting inclusive recreational planning, and building strong relationships that improve park connectivity. If elected, I will work to strengthen partnerships with public agencies and nonprofits to support the District's mission.

While visions for Fall City's future may vary, one thing is clear: everyone benefits from parks, open spaces, and strong communities. I'm eager to work alongside the other Parks Commissioners to build on the great work already being done and help shape future park initiatives that reflect the needs and values of our residents. Thank you for your support.

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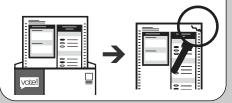
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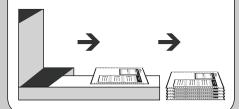
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#### **Proposition No. 1**

# Medic One – Emergency Medical Services Replacement of Existing Levy

The King County Council adopted Ordinance No. 19950 concerning funding for the county-wide Medic One emergency medical services system. Should King County be authorized to replace an expiring levy by imposing regular property taxes of \$0.25 or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection beginning in 2026, as provided in King County Ordinance No. 19950, to continue paying for Medic One emergency medical services:

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 112.



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: Simple majority (RCW 84.55.069)

#### **Explanatory statement**

If approved by voters, Proposition No. 1 would authorize King County to levy a regular property tax at a rate not to exceed \$0.25 per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation on all taxable property within King County. For a property with an assessed valuation of \$844,000, the maximum rate would be approximately \$211 in the first year. The levy proceeds would be used to fund county-wide Medic One emergency medical services and emergency medical care as more fully described in Ordinance No. 19950 and RCW 84.52.069. The levy would be authorized for a six-year period, with collection beginning in 2026. The levy would be exempt from rate limitations in RCW 84.52.043 but would be subject to the chapter 84.55 limitations on levy increases in years two through six. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and disabled persons would be eligible for exemption from the levy under RCW 84.36.381.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

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Deputy Director
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helen.chatalas@kingcounty.gov

#### Statement in favor

Reagan Dunn, Greg Markley, Tom Rea YesonMedicOne.com

Medic One saves lives. Last year, firefighters and paramedics responded to over 255,000 medical 9-1-1 calls for help (one every 2 minutes). Our Medic One system is recognized as one of the best emergency medical services systems in the world. Our cardiac arrest survival rate is among the highest reported anywhere - cardiac arrest victims here are 2 to 3 times more likely to survive compared to other cities. The system's excellent medical care is available to everyone by simply dialing 9-1-1, whatever the medical emergency, regardless of location, circumstance, or time of day.

The Medic One levy is not a new tax. It continues funding the program that provides critical emergency services for everyone in King County. King County voters have supported Medic One by passing levies for over 45 years. This renewal would *lower* the maximum levy rate by \$0.015 to \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value. At the proposed levy rate, owners of a \$850,000 home will pay \$212 a year for world class emergency medical care to be at their side within minutes.

We depend on Medic One to be there when we need it, 24 hours a day, every day. Now it's our turn to be there for Medic One. Join your firefighters and paramedics in renewing your commitment. Say Yes to Medic One and vote Yes on King County Proposition 1.

#### **Statement in opposition**

There is no statement against this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement against the measure.

Jurisdictions that place measures on the ballot also appoint members of the public to "pro" and "con" committees. These committees prepare statements either for or against the ballot measure. These statements are published in the local voters' pamphlet to help voters make informed decisions.

If the jurisdiction is unable to appoint a committee, King County Elections can appoint any eligible committee members who come forward. To join a committee in the future, please contact the jurisdiction.

#### **Proposition No. 1**

# Renewal of Safe Streets and Sidewalks Levy Lid Lift

The Bothell City Council passed Ordinance No. 2456 concerning renewing the expiring safe streets and sidewalks levy lid lift.

If approved, this proposition would reauthorize funding for the Safe Streets and Sidewalks Improvements and set the maximum total regular levy rate at \$1.65/\$1,000 assessed value in 2026. Improvements include street repairs, potholes and resurfacing; sidewalks, crosswalks and traffic safety infrastructure; and other projects, all as described in the Ordinance. The increased amount levied would carry forward in calculating levy limits for nine years through 2035. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and others would be exempt under State law.

Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

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



You will be voting to **Approve or Reject** Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: Simple majority (RCW 84.55.050)

#### **Explanatory statement**

The City of Bothell proposes a renewal of the expiring 2016 Safe Streets and Sidewalks ballot measure to continue delivering traffic safety, pedestrian, and bike improvements citywide to maintain and extend the life of Bothell's transportation system and improve safety for all users.

The Safe Streets and Sidewalks Improvements include: maintenance and operations; road preservation improvements to reduce the future cost of road system maintenance; safety improvements; construction of high-priority multimodal improvements; pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; improved access to transit connections; and high-priority crosswalk improvements.

The proposition would replace the voter-approved 2016 Safe Streets and Sidewalks levy lid lift, and, as with the expiring measure, the City intends to continue to require annual reports regarding progress and completion of levy projects. This dedicated funding will be combined with grants and other local funds.

This proposition reauthorizes the \$0.50/\$1,000 of assessed value incremental levy rate approved in 2016 and extends the funding for nine more years through 2035. The City's maximum total 2026 levy rate (including for current expenses, the 2018 public safety levy lid lift, and this measure) would be \$1.65/\$1,000 of assessed value. This equates to an increase in the total 2026 levy rate of \$0.18/\$1,000 of assessed value compared to 2025 (which included the 2016 levy lid lift).

For a median \$999,000 property, the cost would be approximately \$41.60 per month or \$499 per year. Eligible low-income seniors, disabled veterans, and others with disabilities may qualify for full or partial property tax exemptions.

www.bothellwa.gov/SafeStreetsSidewalksMeasure

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

Erin Leonhart
Public Works Director
425-806-6810
Erin.Leonhart@bothellwa.gov

#### Statement in favor

Ryan Ellis, Jenne Alderks, Jeanne Zornes prosafestreetscommittee@gmail.com

Since voters approved the Safe Streets and Sidewalks levy in 2016, the residents of Bothell have benefited from sidewalk and roadway improvements throughout the city-newly built sidewalks, safety beacons and pedestrian flags at crossings, pavement repairs and filled potholes. Elementary, middle school, and high school students throughout Bothell now have safer routes to school.

The levy also helped secure an additional \$13 million in state funding, thanks to voters prioritizing road safety.

Despite this progress, there are over 2,000 projects identified that still lack funding, 10% of roads in Bothell are rated between very poor to fair and residents continue to raise safety concerns about road quality and areas where sidewalks are needed.

Renewing the levy through Proposition 1 will pay for safety improvements near parks, transit stops and other public services as well as at risky intersections, and also improve pavement quality in areas where it is needed throughout the city.

Residents continue to rank safety and mobility improvements as top priorities. Voting to approve Proposition 1 takes residents' concerns seriously by prioritizing street maintenance and safety improvements for students, pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders and drivers.

Support Safe Streets and Sidewalks in Bothell. Vote to Approve Proposition 1.

#### **Statement in opposition**

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#### **Proposition No. 1**

### Public Safety and Maintenance Facility Bonds

The City Council of the City of Mercer Island passed Ordinance 25-13 concerning a proposition to finance a Public Safety and Maintenance Facility. If approved, this proposition authorizes the City to design, construct, and equip seismically resilient Risk Category IV buildings to house the Police Department, Public Works Maintenance teams, the Emergency Operations Center, Information Technology, Geographic Information Systems, and Customer Service; issue up to \$103,160,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 25 years; and levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, as provided in Ordinance 25-13.

Should this proposition be approved:

Yes

No

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



You will be voting Yes or No on Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: 60% majority and minimum turnout of 40% of voters casting ballots in last general election (Washington Constitution, art. VII, sec. 2(b))

#### **Explanatory statement**

Permanent facilities for the City of Mercer Island's essential services are aging and/or failing and require replacement. These facilities are critical for public safety, emergency and storm response, well maintained and safe streets, water and sewer maintenance, snow and ice removal, and safe and clean parks, open space areas, and trails.

Proposition 1 authorizes the City to issue bonds to fund the design and construction of a Public Safety and Maintenance Facility that will replace the existing Public Works building, maintenance yard, and temporary police facilities. The new Facility will provide a permanent location for the City's Police Department, Public Works Maintenance teams, the Emergency Operations Center, Information Technology, Geographic Information Systems, and Customer Service.

The Public Safety and Maintenance Facility will be constructed on City land at the site of the existing Public Works Building and permanently closed City Hall. The proposed Facility includes a police precinct and office building, a maintenance building, an operations yard, decant and wash bay facilities, and covered vehicle, equipment, and materials storage. The buildings are designed to Risk Category IV to withstand significant seismic events. The Facility will support increased operational efficiencies, extend vehicle and equipment lifespans, improve emergency response, and restore in-person customer service.

Proposition 1 authorizes the issuance of up to \$103,160,000 of general obligation bonds and the levy of excess property taxes to repay the bonds over 25 years. This amounts to about \$55 per month for a \$2,000,000 home.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

Andrea Larson City Clerk (206) 275-7793 cityclerk@mercerisland.gov

#### Statement in favor

Russel Federman, Robert Sulkin, Benson Wong

Police officers who protect our neighborhoods and businesses are working out of temporary trailers, making accreditation impossible. Our Public Works Department (PWD) keeps utilities running, roads clear, and parks clean. But they're working out of outdated, deteriorating buildings. This patchwork of temporary and decaying buildings is inefficient and unsustainable. With staff scattered around the Island, emergency response and city operations are harder to coordinate. These buildings can no longer support their intended purpose, and valuable city equipment and vehicles are left outside, exposed to the elements, reducing their lifespan.

Proposition 1, unanimously approved by City Council, will fund a new Public Safety and Maintenance Facility to provide modern level IV earthquake-resistant workspaces for essential workers and equipment. It will help the city recruit and retain police officers and PWD staff, improving emergency and snow response.

We're not talking about luxury, but about basic safety and function. City Hall closed when asbestos abatement costs exceeded its value, and the PWD building has gone decades without sufficient upgrades.

Voting yes on Proposition 1 will co-locate our most essential public safety and city functions, supporting our first responders and allowing faster, more efficient, effective, coordinated emergency response across Mercer Island.

#### Rebuttal of statement in opposition

Mercer Island needs safe, functional, resilient facilities now. The design team delivered a right-sized plan that protects vital assets, maximizes community benefit, and ensures that city services are there when you need them. Proposition 1 consolidates essential public safety and maintenance services, safeguarding the investment that keeps Mercer Island a full-service city and ensuring we can respond effectively when emergencies happen.

Don't be misled by bad math and false comparisons. Learn the facts at https://safe-mi.org/GetTheFacts.

#### **Statement in opposition**

Mike Cero www.miforss.com

A rigorous examination reveals the City's proposed design is one of excessive overreach. The proposed building is almost twice as big as the previous footprint. Covered storage-space is 4.7 times greater than the current area. Office space is proposed to be 44% larger than the existing space, yet many more employees work remotely. The police vehicle capacity is set to expand 50%? Yet, estimated population growth since 1990 is less than 1% per annum, and student enrollment is expected to decline. The City is assembling loads of unneeded capacity at a huge and avoidable cost to taxpayers.

The proposed \$103,000,000 bond will cost Island Taxpayers \$174,000,000 with interest. For the median assessed valued home of \$2,300,000, that represents a 46% annual increase in City Property Taxes, or \$660/year. Over 25 years that's additional taxes of almost \$19,000.

The simple solution is to pare down the project to reflect the maturity of the city. Also, eliminate nice to haves like a private gym facility, separate department locker rooms and overhead vehicle coverage for every city vehicle.

On behalf of your neighbors, tell the City to go back to the drawing board by voting *No* on Prop 1.

#### Rebuttal of statement in favor

No statement submitted.

#### **Proposition No. 1**

# Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Renton School District No. 403 adopted Resolution No. 20-24/25 concerning a replacement levy for education. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for educational programs and operations expenses not funded by the State:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount		
2027	\$1.33	\$58,217,253		
2028	\$1.34	\$61,514,773		
2029	\$1.33	\$64,320,460		
2030	\$1.32	\$66,735,516		

all as provided in Resolution No. 20-24/25 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: Simple majority (Wash. Const. art. VII, sec. 2(a))

#### **Explanatory statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Renton School District to replace an existing educational programs and operations levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2026. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operations that are not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, class size reduction, technology, curriculum, maintenance & operations, nutrition services, safety, counseling, social emotional supports, middle & high school athletics/activities, summer school & after school enrichment, elementary music & art programs, substitutes, nurses, psychologists, counselors, services for students in special education, and other programs for supporting the whole child. The enhancements requested are to fulfill legal obligations or community expectations for school programming. Further information is available on the District's website www.rentonschools.us.

The proposed four-year replacement educational programs and operation levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$58,217,253 in 2027, \$61,514,773 in 2028, \$64,320,460 in 2029, and \$66,735,516 in 2030. The levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value required to produce these amounts is estimated to be \$1.33 in 2027, \$1.34 in 2028, \$1.33 in 2029, and \$1.32 in 2030. The exact levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of the levy. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call the King County Department of Assessments, 206-296-3920.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

#### **Randy Matheson**

Executive Director of Community Relations (425) 204-2345 randy.matheson@rentonschools.us

#### Statement in favor

Ray Kusumi, Jacqueline Connell, Joshua Sieck

Your vote for this renewal levy allows Renton Schools to continue its commitment to high-quality education in every classroom. The Educational Programs & Operations Levy provides more than 14% of school operating budgets. These local levy dollars are essential to fund vital programs not fully funded by the state, such as safety/security staff, special education, substitute teachers, custodial staff, pre-K early learning, mental health counselors, nurses, and more.

This is not a new tax. For decades, Renton School District voters have continued to support this levy to fund student programs and essential school staff. Renton Schools values your support, uses your money wisely, and has an exemplary record of fiscal management, reflecting strong financial stewardship.

This Measure benefits everyone. Good schools positively affect our neighborhoods, builds stronger communities, and protects our property values. And with a steadily decreasing total combined district tax rate of \$3.39, voting yes is a win for everyone. Join the thousands of your neighbors who continue to support this important investment in our children and schools by voting yes for Measure 1.

#### **Statement in opposition**

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#### **Proposition No. 2**

# Replacement Technology and Capital Projects Levy

The Board of Directors of Renton School District No. 403 adopted Resolution No. 23-24/25, concerning a capital levy to fund educational technology and school improvements. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to continue funding educational technology equipment, infrastructure and improvements and renovate, modernize and improve existing school facilities:

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount		
2027	\$0.72	\$30,000,000		
2028	\$0.69	\$30,000,000		
2029	\$0.65	\$30,000,000		
2030	\$0.62	\$30,000,000		

all as provided in Resolution No. 23-24/25. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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



You will be voting
Yes or No
on Proposition No. 2

Requirement passage: Simple majority (Wash. Const. art. VII, sec. 2(a))

#### **Explanatory statement**

Passage of Proposition No. 2 would authorize Renton School District to replace an existing levy for renovation of school facilities that will expire at the end of calendar year 2026. The proposed replacement capital levy will continue funding educational technology equipment, infrastructure and improvements, including, but not limited to: (1) acquiring, installing, implementing and modernizing District-wide technology, student technology, integrated digital curriculum, STEM learning systems and facilities, technology training for teachers to support classroom learning and other educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems and facilities; and (2) making other improvements and upgrades to the District's technology systems and facilities.

The proposed replacement capital levy will also continue funding costs to renovate, modernize, improve and upgrade existing school facilities, including, but not limited to: (1) making health, safety, security, energy efficiency, educational, athletic, facility and infrastructure improvements; (2) addressing clean building performance standards, including the Washington Clean Buildings Act; and (3) acquiring land and interests in land as sites for new and expanded facilities of the District.

The proposed four-year capital levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide \$30,000,000 each year from 2027 through and including 2030. The levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value required to produce these amounts is estimated to be \$0.72 in 2027, \$0.69 in 2028, \$0.65 in 2029, and \$0.62 in 2030. Further information is available on the District's website www.rentonschools.us. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call the King County Department of Assessments, 206-296-3920.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

#### Randy Matheson

Executive Director of Community Relations (425) 204-2345 randy.matheson@rentonschools.us

#### Statement in favor

Ray Kusumi, Jacqueline Connell, Joshua Sieck

The Capital/Technology Replacement Levy is vital for our students and educators, renewing the crucial funding approved in 2022 for the next four years, through 2030. With state basic education funding falling short for classroom technology and school maintenance, this levy ensures our schools remain equipped for success. By voting for this measure, you support essential needs such as updated devices for students and staff, improved internet access at home and school, and enhanced cybersecurity. This funding will also provide assistive technology for students with special education needs and the technicians required for maintaining our equipment. Importantly, this levy does not introduce a new tax; it simply renews an expiring initiative that has proven its value. Since 2016, our local tax rate has decreased by 36%, showcasing our commitment to responsible financial management while still prioritizing education. Your vote for the Capital/Technology Replacement Levy is a vote for our children's future—ensuring they have the tools and support needed to thrive in a digital world. Let's come together to invest in the education our students deserve!

#### **Statement in opposition**

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#### **Proposition No. 1**

# **Levy Lid Lift for Health Care Services**

The Commission of King County Public Hospital District No. 1, King County, Washington (Valley Medical Center) adopted Resolution No. 1066 concerning the district's regular property tax levy. If approved, this proposition would provide additional operating and capital funds for Valley Medical Center to provide hospital and other healthcare services to its residents and other persons served by Valley Medical Center. It authorizes a maximum regular property levy rate for collection in 2026 of 75 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. The 2026 levy amount will be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for levies in subsequent years. Should this proposition be:

#### **Approved**

#### Rejected

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

You will be voting to **Approve or Reject** Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: Simple majority (RCW 84.55.050)

#### **Explanatory statement**

King County Public Hospital District No. 1 operates Valley Medical Center. It provides hospital inpatient, outpatient and other healthcare services to the residents of the public hospital district and other persons served by the district.

Under state law, public hospital districts are authorized to levy regular property taxes at a rate of up to 75 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value for purposes of operating and maintaining hospital and other healthcare facilities and services. Because state law limits the amount that taxes can increase without voter approval, Valley Medical Center's levy rate has declined over the years to approximately 29 cents in 2025.

Valley Medical Center's publicly-elected Board of Commissioners has determined that it is necessary and in the best interest of the residents served by Valley Medical Center to request approval to increase its regular property tax levy rate to 75 cents per \$1000 of assessed value beginning in 2026, which would be an increase of approximately 46 cents from the current rate. The levy will provide additional operating and capital funds to support the delivery of hospital and other health care services including funds to sustain lifesaving emergency services, preventive care and other health care services for the community served by Valley Medical Center.

The 2026 levy amount will be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for the District's levies in subsequent years.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

#### Elizabeth Nolan

Chief Communication and Marketing Officer (425) 690-3112 liz nolan@valleymed.org

#### Statement in favor

Carol Barber, Anthony Berkley, Dustin Lambro LevyOutreach@gmail.com

Public Hospital District No. 1 of King County, known as Valley Medical Center, has been serving this community for nearly 80 years. As community members, we've witnessed healthcare needs growing and changing, and Valley is working hard to try and keep pace with those needs.

When our loved ones need medical help – in an emergency, for regular check-ups or specialized care – access to high-quality healthcare should be close to home.

Vote Yes to Hospital Proposition 1 to secure the future of local care. Valley provides crucial hospital services 24 hours a day, including childbirth, trauma and emergency care, and intensive hospital care.

Vote Yes to keep care close to home. Get the care you need where you live. Having excellent care just minutes away means less stress, shorter commutes, and more time with the ones you love.

Vote Yes to build careers in South King County. The people at Valley are committed to the mission of caring for our community like family. They need stability, competitive wages and opportunities to learn and grow with our community.

Join us in voting *Yes* to address these challenges and renew support for Valley Medical Center - our independent, community-owned hospital.

#### Statement in opposition

There is no statement against this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement against the measure.

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#### **Proposition No. 1**

# Replacement Levy for Repair, Maintenance and Operation

Shall the Northshore Park and Recreation Service Area be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of five cents (\$.05) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six (6) consecutive years?

Yes

No

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



# You will be voting Yes or No on Proposition No. 1

Requirement passage: 60% yes vote and either (1) a minimum turnout of at least 40% of the number of voters who cast ballots in the taxing district in the most recent general election or (2) if the minimum turnout is less than 40% of the number of voters who cast ballots in the district in the most recent general election then the number of yes votes must constitute 60% of 40% of the number of voters who cast ballots in the taxing district in the most recent general election (RCW 36.69.145)

#### **Explanatory statement**

If approved, Proposition 1 would renew a six-year property tax levy for the Northshore Park and Recreation Service Area (NPRSA), beginning in 2026. NPRSA is a special purpose district that owns and maintains two public facilities: the Northshore Senior Center and the Health & Wellness and Adult Health Center, serving residents in Bothell, Kenmore, Woodinville, northern King and southern Snohomish counties.

The levy funds would be used for needed building repairs, replacement of aging infrastructure, upgrades to ensure safety and accessibility, energy efficiency improvements, and other needed facility improvements. The levy would also fund ongoing maintenance to preserve the condition and usability of facilities.

The measure would authorize NPRSA to collect property taxes at a rate not to exceed \$.05 per \$1,000 of tax assessed value; or about \$50 per year (\$4.17 per month) for a home with a tax assessed value of one million dollars. The previous levy providing similar funding is set to expire at the end of 2025.

The services and programming within NPRSA buildings are provided by the Northshore Senior Center, a separate nonprofit organization. These programs include health services, fitness and wellness activities, community dining, and other services for older adults and individuals with disabilities.

If the measure is approved, NPRSA would be authorized to levy property taxes annually for six years to fund building improvements and maintenance activities. If the measure is not approved, the current levy would expire and this funding would not be renewed.

#### For questions about this measure, contact:

Christine Scotton
Program Manager
(425) 219-6941
nprsa@bothellwa.gov

#### Statement in favor

Patricia Gustafson, Vincent Keane, David Baker vote.yes.on.NPRSA.prop1@gmail.com

The Northshore Parks and Recreation Service Area (NPRSA) owns and maintains buildings used by the Northshore Senior Center (NSC), a vital nonprofit serving 5,000+ older adults, individuals with disabilities, and their caregivers annually. NSC's programs fight food insecurity, promote health, support special needs youth, and reduce isolation in our community.

NSC is the only senior center in our region able to offer an adult day health program. For example, when a near-by adult day health program closed earlier this year, NSC was able to provide services for the affected seniors. All participants help sustain and expand valuable programming, as levy funds are legally restricted for use on the repair, maintenance, and operation of the buildings and facilities, not for individual program expenses.

Thanks to the 2019 voter-approved levy, the NPRSA Board, with transparent and dedicated stewardship, replaced aging roofs, HVAC systems, and improved safety. Comprehensive levy spending records, minutes, and meeting videos are available at nprsawa.org.

This six-year renewal levy averages about \$4.17 per month (on a \$1 million home) to keep NSC's doors open, safe, and welcoming for current and future generations. Vote "yes" for the health, well-being, and resilience of our entire community.

#### **Statement in opposition**

There is no statement against this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement against the measure.

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#### Full text of Ordinance No. 19950

AN ORDINANCE relating to the funding and provision of Medic One emergency medical services; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County, at special election on November 4, 2025, of a proposition to fund the countywide Medic One emergency medical services by authorizing the continuation of a regular property tax levy for a consecutive six year period, for collection beginning in 2026, at a rate of \$0.25 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, to provide for Medic One emergency medical services.

#### PREAMBLE:

The Medic One Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") system of King County, publicly known as Medic One, is an integrated publicly funded partnership between the county, cities, fire districts, regional fire authorities, hospitals, and the University of Washington.

Medic One/EMS is a tiered response system that is based on the regional medical model and collaborative partnerships. The services that EMS personnel provide are derived from the highest standards of medical training, practices and care, scientific evidence, and close supervision by physicians experienced in EMS care. It includes basic life support by city, fire district, and regional fire authority emergency medical technicians, advanced life support by University of Washington/ Harborview Medical Center trained paramedics, and regional support programs that provide resident and EMS personnel training, regional medical control, and quality improvement.

The Medic One/EMS system of King County is recognized as one of the best emergency medical services programs in the country. It saves thousands of lives every year, providing life-saving services on average every two minutes. Compared to other communities, cardiac arrest victims are two to three times more likely to survive in King County. In 2023, King County achieved a fifty-one-percent survival rate for cardiac arrest, which is among the highest reported rate in the nation.

The provision of Medic One emergency medical services on a countywide basis is a public purpose of King County. King County supports Medic One emergency medical services as a regional service that requires a continuing leadership role for the county. The county should continue to exercise its leadership and assume responsibility for assuring the orderly and comprehensive development and provision of Medic One emergency medical services throughout the county.

The concern for assuring the continuance of a countywide Medic One/EMS program is shared by King County cities, fire protection districts, and regional fire authorities that participate in the Medic One emergency medical services programs.

Sustained funding for the regional Medic One/EMS system is needed to continue this essential service for the residents of King County.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Approval of cities over 50,000 in population. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069, before submission to the electors of King County at a special election on November 4, 2025, approval to place this countywide levy proposal on the ballot will be

obtained from the legislative authority of a majority of at least seventy-five percent of all cities in the county over 50,000 in population.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> **Definitions.** The definitions in this section apply throughout this ordinance unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

- A. "County" means King County.
- B. "Levy" means the levy of regular property taxes, for the specific purpose and term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state law.
- C. "Levy proceeds" means the principal amount of moneys raised by the levy, any interest earnings on the funds and the proceeds of any interim financing following authorization of the levy.

SECTION 3. City of Seattle reimbursement. It is recognized that the city of Seattle operates and funds a Medic One emergency medical services program that is separate from the county program but part of the regional delivery system. All levy proceeds collected pursuant to the levy authorized in this ordinance from taxable property located within the legal boundaries of the city of Seattle shall be reimbursed and transferred to the city of Seattle and used solely for the Seattle Medic One emergency medical services program in accordance with RCW 84.52.069.

SECTION 4. Levy submittal to voters. To provide necessary funding for the Medic One/EMS system under the authority of RCW 84.52.069, the county council shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy for six consecutive years, with collection commencing in 2026, at a rate not to exceed \$0.25 per one thousand dollars of assessed value. As provided under state law, this levy shall be exempt from the rate limitations under RCW 84.52.043, but subject in years two through six to the limitations imposed under chapter 84.55 RCW.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> **Deposit of levy proceeds**. Except for the levy proceeds transferred to the city of Seattle under section 3 of this ordinance, all levy proceeds shall be deposited into the county emergency medical services fund.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> **Eligible expenditures**. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, all proceeds of the levy authorized in this ordinance shall be used in accordance with RCW 84.52.069.

SECTION 7. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, a special election is called for November 4, 2025, to consider a proposition authorizing an additional regular property tax levy for the purposes described in this ordinance. The director of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the said special election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the director of elections, in substantially the following form:

<u>PROPOSITION ONE</u>: The King County Council adopted Ordinance \_\_\_\_ concerning continuation of funding for the county-wide Medic One emergency medical services system. Should King

#### Full text of Ordinance No. 19950

County be authorized to replace an expiring levy by imposing regular property taxes of \$0.25 or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, with collection beginning in 2026, as provided in King County Ordinance \_\_\_\_, to continue paying for Medic One emergency medical services:

Yes	
No	

<u>SECTION 8.</u> **Interlocal agreement**. The county executive is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an interlocal agreement with the city of Seattle relating to the Medic One program, to implement the provisions of section 3 of this ordinance.

<u>SECTION 9.</u> **Local voters' pamphlet.** The director of elections is hereby authorized and requested to prepare and distribute a local voters' pamphlet, pursuant to K.C.C. 1.10.010, for the special election called for in this ordinance, the cost of the pamphlet to be included as part of the cost of the election.

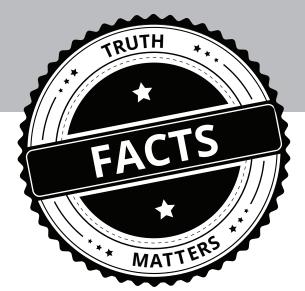
SECTION 10. **Exemption**. The additional regular property taxes authorized by this ordinance shall be included in any real property tax exemption authorized by RCW 84.36.381, if that statute is amended by the state legislature during the term of this levy.

SECTION 11. **Ratification**. Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the county council to the King County director of elections in accordance with law before the election on November 4, 2025, and any other act consistent with the authority and before the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

<u>SECTION 12.</u> **Severability**. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

# **Truth Matters**

Between partisan arguments and misinformation, sometimes the path to the truth is unclear. Here are some tips for finding your way to the facts.





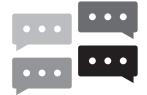
#### Question the source.

Whether you see something confusing online or hear it from a friend, family member, or colleague, take a moment to find out where the information came from. Learning whether the source is known and trusted can help you figure out whether the information is true.



### Think critically.

It can be helpful (especially when we feel strongly about something) to take a moment and apply curiosity to the situation. Pause to consider a few simple questions: Who is sharing this information? Why? When was it originally published? What else might be helpful for me to know?



### Seek diverse opinions.

Seeking out information from sources with a variety of viewpoints and backgrounds can help paint the clearest picture of the truth.



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